DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP
U.S. High School Students' Preparation & Perspectives

Different Views on Digital Citizenship

Think Critically
Be Safe
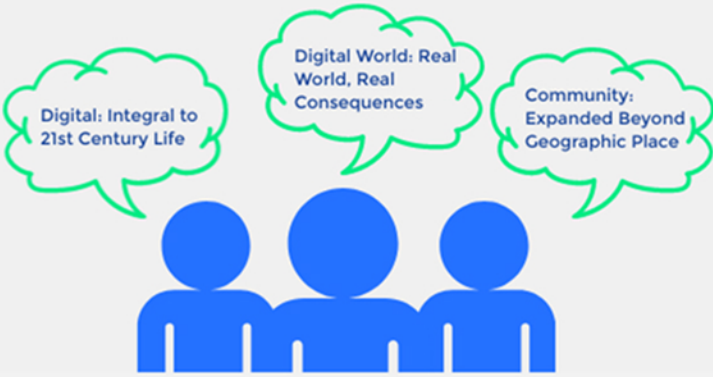### Act Responsibly

Activities Vary by Developmental Level

Source: Commonsensemedia.org

Part of Internet Communities
Cooperate/ React to Content Collaborate/ Cooperate

Local/Global Awareness
Search/ Organize/ Process Information

Technical Skills
Media/ Info Literacy

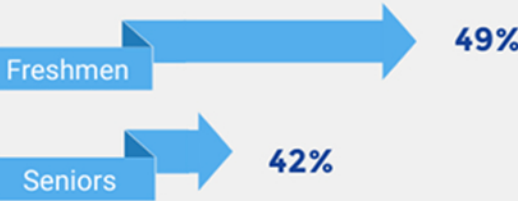*Progression of Competencies*

See M. Choi, M. Glassman, D. Cristol (2017)

Today's students live in the digital world. This makes **Digital Citizenship** one of the many life skills competing for limited time in the classroom. How are schools addressing Digital Citizenship?

- Digital: Integral to 21st Century Life
- Digital World: Real World, Real Consequences
- Community: Expanded Beyond Geographic Place

More than 6 in 10 teachers are "very" or "mostly" confident they can teach digital citizenship

Who Reports Being Prepared?

63%

Freshmen — 49%

Seniors — 42%

Preparation for Digital Citizenship

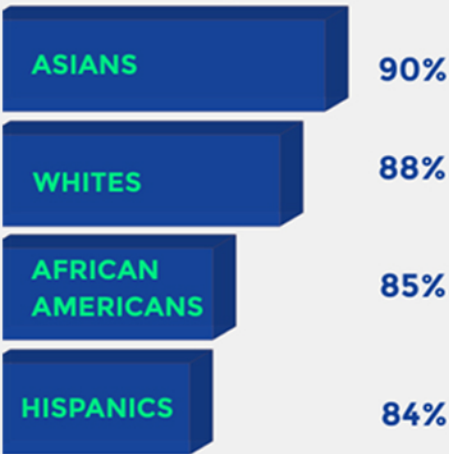Fewer than **HALF** of **TEACHERS** report professional development related to **Digital Citizenship**

38%

Fewer than **HALF** of **STUDENTS** say high school is preparing them to be effective and responsible **Digital Citizens**
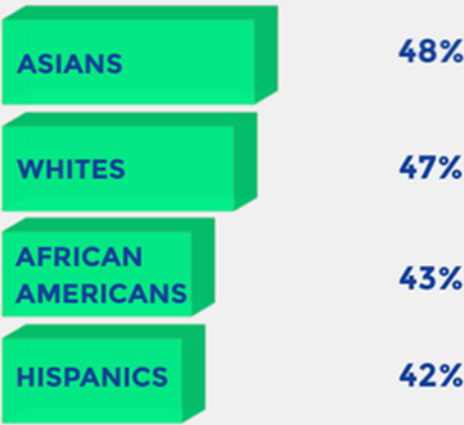
44%

Internet Access at home

% A lot like me: "I have access to internet at home"

ASIANS	90%
WHITES	88%
AFRICAN AMERICANS	85%
HISPANICS	84%

Who Reports Being Prepared?

ASIANS	48%
WHITES	47%
AFRICAN AMERICANS	43%
HISPANICS	42%

References

Moonsun Choi, Michael Glassman, and Dean Cristol. "What it means to be a citizen in the internet age: Development of a reliable and valid digital citizenship scale." Computers and Education 107 (2017): 100-112.

https://www.commonsensemedia.org/videos/what-is-digital-citizenship

https://www.commonsense.org/education/scope-and-sequence

This infographic summarizes findings from the Career Interest Survey sponsored by the Research Consortium on Career Pathways and 21st Century Skills, and other sources as noted. The Student Research Foundation surveyed classrooms nationwide during Fall 2018. Student percentages are based on replies of the **35,410 high school students** who responded to the Student Survey. Teacher percentages are based on the replies of the **1042 high school teachers** who responded to the Teacher Survey. To learn more visit www.StudentResearchFoundation.org

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