

Children and Electronic Media:

Parenting in the Technological Age

A FREE seminar



Electronic media has become an integral part of children's lives and a major point of interest for parents. Questions about the impact of electronic media on children's wellbeing have led many parents to ask how and why their children should be using technology.

The purpose of this seminar is to provide parents with practical information on how they can help their children become

cyber-savvy. In addition, an overview of the research regarding electronic media and its links to achievement and social development will be provided.

This conference is designed in conjunction with the latest volume of *The Future of Children*, "Children and Electronic Media." This issue, due to be released in April 2008, shines a spotlight on electronic media, focusing mainly on its impact on child wellbeing and policy implications.



GETTING TO THE CONFERENCE...

DIRECTIONS TO PRINCETON, NJ BY CAR

From the New Jersey Turnpike heading South - Take Exit 9 (New Brunswick) and follow signs for Trenton (Route 18 North, then Route 1 South). Take the first right after toll booths, up the ramp and onto 18 North. Immediately, shift to lane second from left and, less than half a mile from entry point, exit left (over Route 1 overpass). Stay in right lane—the exit to Route 1 South is on the right just beyond the overpass. Follow signs on Route 1 to Princeton, about 15 miles. Turn right onto Washington Road/Route 571 West and follow into Princeton. Go straight through two traffic lights; Robertson Hall is located on the right at the corner of Washington Road and Prospect Street at the third light.

From the New Jersey Turnpike heading North - Take Exit 8 (Hightstown), and follow signs to Route 133/Princeton. Take Route 133 to end and exit onto Route 571 West, following straight across Route 1 and into Princeton. After crossing Route 1, Route 571 becomes Washington Road; go straight through two traffic lights. Robertson Hall is located on the right at the corner of Washington Road and Prospect Street at the third light.

From Interstate 95 North or South - Exit at Route 1 North. Follow Route 1 North and exit at Alexander Road, making a left onto Alexander Road. Follow this road into Princeton. Turn right onto Faculty Road (traffic light; gas station) and follow the first exit off the circle to stay on Faculty Road. Turn left at the traffic light onto Washington Road. Go straight through one traffic light; Robertson Hall is on the right at the corner of Washington Road and Prospect Street at the second light.

Note: Detailed instructions for driving to Princeton are also available by telephone. For a recorded message, call 609-258-2222 using a touch-tone telephone.

Detailed instructions for traveling by train or bus can be found on the Princeton University website at www.princeton.edu/main/visiting/travel/busground.

PARKING AT PRINCETON UNIVERSITY

Parking is available on-campus.

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PANELISTS:

- 7:00 p.m. *Introduction*
Elisabeth H Donahue, Associate Editor,
Future of Children
- 7:15 p.m. *Social Networking and Youth*
Patti Miller, Vice President, Children Now
- Cyber Savvy Children: What You and Your Children Need to Know*
Nancy Willard, Executive Director, Center for Safe and Responsible Internet Use
- 8:45 p.m. *Closing Remarks*
Lisa Markman, Associate Director,
Education Research Section; Outreach
Director, *Future of Children*

WHEN:

Thursday, May 1, 2008
7:00 p.m.–9:00 p.m.

WHERE:

Robertson Hall, on the campus of Princeton University

Registration is requested but is not required. For additional information or to register, visit our website at www.futureofchildren.princeton.edu/media/parents. A related special conference for school administrators, "Students and Electronic Media: Teaching in the Technological Age" will be held on Friday, May 2 beginning at 8:30 a.m. in Robertson Hall. Additional information is available at www.futureofchildren.princeton.edu/media.



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