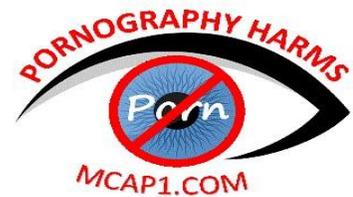


# Making a Difference

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## **Back-to-School Time – Start the Year Off Right!**

Parent/Caregivers - Please check out many useful resources aimed at youth of all ages. on MCAP's "[Start the Conversation](#)" web page, as well as cautionary advice on our "[Back to School](#)" page. Especially recommended are the "Culture Reframed" videos for Teens and Tweens, and a valuable [Social Media & Mobile Phone Contract](#). Some of you may have read in earlier MCAP newsletters that we believe the [Childhood 2.0](#) documentary video is must-watch and is **free**. Many other great tips were in our [Summer 2021 newsletter](#), viewable from our website.



The Protect Young Eyes organization proposes "5 Tech Questions to Ask Every School Principal" – excellent, informed queries that, if adequately addressed by school authorities, would go a long way toward making school devices and practices safer.

## **Good Developments on Snapchat**

Informative article: "[How to Activate and Use the New Snapchat Family Center Controls](#)"

Snapchat ranks among the most important social media networks used by teens and it has been considered one of the most dangerous for children. Its design – centered around disappearing messages, videos, and photos – caters to kids wanting to hide problematic behaviors (sexting, buying and selling drugs, cyberbullying, etc) and predators looking to cover their tracks. However, as of August, new family controls have been put in place via a new in-app tool called "**Family Center**," which will help caregivers get more insight into who their teens are friends with on Snapchat, and who they have been communicating with, without revealing any of the substance of those conversations.

**Other good news** – there is pending federal legislation: the [Kids Online Safety Act \(KOSA\) S.3663](#), a strong [bipartisan online child protection bill](#), unanimously approved by the U.S. Senate's Commerce Committee on July 27, 2022. Co-sponsors: Senator Richard Blumenthal (D-CT) and Senator Marsha Blackburn (R-TN).

KOSA creates the legal infrastructure to hold apps and digital platforms accountable for potential harm to youth ages 16 and under. It:

- Creates a "duty of care," to youth meaning, a legal obligation to prevent physical, emotional, material harm
- Requires safeguards to be accessible, easy to use, and default to ON
- Limits unrelated adults from contacting a minor
- Restricts sharing minor geolocation data
- Allows feds to evaluate age verification methods at device and O/S levels and report out
- Allows independent researchers (defined) access to data for analysis to advance public interest
- Creates Kids Online Safety Council to advise policy makers



Support. Heal. Empower. That's the resonating message of the SHE Virtual Recovery Summit coming October 17-21, 2022.

Crystal Renaud Day, founder of Living on Purpose & [SheRecovery.com](https://www.shevirtualsummit.com), is offering this free 5-day online global summit for women and teen girls—created to address the rise and crisis of female pornography addiction and other unwanted sexual behavior.

The Summit offers a unique opportunity for parents, church leaders, and counselors to engage in these issues to better support women and teens who struggle. More than 30 women will share their stories, their expertise, and their hope for meaningful recovery. Via the use of the Whova app as the platform, attendees, speakers, exhibitors, and sponsors will interact with live and prerecorded sessions, expert panels, meetups, and more. The SHE Summit will give you the opportunity to ask the experts your own questions and engage in recovery in a whole new way.

Register for FREE today at <https://shevirtualsummit.eventbrite.com/?aff=DeeRenee>

If you haven't registered because you work during the day and can't watch the Summit or can't afford to attend the Summit, please consider this: the entire SHE Virtual Recovery Summit is FREE to attend daily, including live events.

PLUS:

- With a free Basic Access pass, you get access to each Summit session for 24 hours from the time they go live each morning at no cost. No replays of live events. With an Extended Access pass, you get on-demand access to all Summit content through October 28, 2022 (one week after the Summit ends) for only \$10. This includes replays of live events.

- With an Individual Lifetime Access pass, you get lifetime on-demand access to all Summit content for one person for only \$35 (goes up to \$65 when early bird ends on September 1, 2022) There is also a team pass option.

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### [CESE Summit, November 8-10, 2022](#)

The Coalition to End Sexual Exploitation *Online* Global Summit creates a one-of-a-kind setting, where people from across sexual abuse and exploitation sectors, as well as from a diverse range of professional, political, and personal backgrounds, coalesce to be informed, equipped, connected, and inspired. There will be 3 full days of presentations from over 50 expert speakers and 15,000 participants, as well as networking opportunities such as breakout Zoom sessions with allies on a wide variety of topics. Registration is **free** – click on the blue link above. Over 20,000 attendees from 100 countries are expected. The host, the National Center on Sexual Exploitation, is the leading organization in this movement, and has done an excellent job at moving the summit to an online format for the past few years, enabling far more to participate from around the world. Consider joining in!

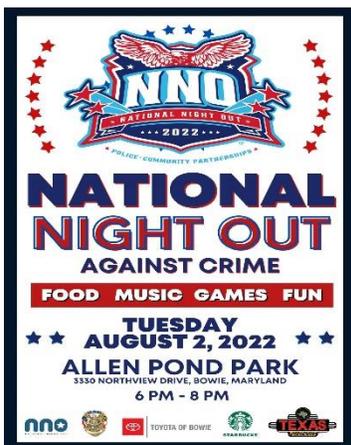
### Recent MCAP Public Events

MCAP speaker, Matt Aujero, spoke about overcoming the lure of pornography at a **Men’s Legacy Conference** on June 18 at the Dreamlife Worship Center in Randallstown, MD attended by over 100 men. Find out more about his **Fight Club** ministry on Matt’s [website](#).



Coming again in 2023!

### National Night Out



MCAP hosted exhibits in 2 National Night Out locales this year, Bowie and Gaithersburg.