



## CYBERBULLYING GLOSSARY



AYSOS	Are you stupid or something?
FOS	Father (standing) over shoulder. See also MOS, POS.
FU or FY	Fuck you.
FUBAR	Fucked up beyond all recognition.
GTFO	Get the fuck out.
HML	Hate my life.
IDC	I don't care.
IDK	I don't know.
IKR	I know, right?
KMA	Kiss my ass!
KPC	Keeping parents clueless.
MOS	Mother (standing) over shoulder. See also FOS, POS.
POS or PSOS	Parents (standing) over shoulder. See also FOS, MOS.

Avocado	This is a person who is gay or believed to be gay, though they may not be openly gay or appear as such. The meaning comes from the fact that an avocado is technically a fruit, but many people don't realize it.
Basic	Boring, plain, etc.
Bubble	A female's butt, typically a large one.
Butter Face	A girl who is very attractive, except for her (butter) face.
Cancelled	Being removed from your circle of friends because of having done something disagreeable or offensive.
Catfish	A person who pretends to be someone else by creating a fake profile, often complete with pictures, friends (who may be fake), etc.
Chirped	Getting called out for something. <i>Example: Jackson got chirped by Ms. Castle for talking in science class.</i>
Emo	A person who is overly sensitive, considered clingy, full of angst or emotionally underdeveloped.
Potato	A person who is plain, boring and unattractive.
Roast	When multiple people simultaneously attack someone online.
Shade	To insult someone &/or to treat them with disrespect.
Sip tea	Telling someone to mind their own business.

*Example: Go sip some tea, already!*

Slore	A combination of a slut and a whore.
#Sue	Suicide.
Tea	Gossip.
Thicc	A woman who is overweight; typically very overweight.
Thirsty	Describes a person who is sexually aroused.
Thot	Another word for someone, usually a girl, who is easy and sleeps around. It's actually an acronym that stands for, "That ho over there".
Turtle	A person who will spend a lot of time on his/her back, having sex.
Woke	To be aware or knowledgeable about a subject. <i>Example: Talk to Mindy about what happened in class today. She's woke on it.</i>

### **Troublesome Apps & Sites**

Dropbox	This site was meant for people to use as a file sharing site. It was very helpful when email restrictions prevented large files from being sent to another person. Now, with Google Docs taking over that role, Dropbox URLs are created to locate individual files or groups of files, similar to a folder. It allows people to leave cyberbullying stories, pictures, etc., in a place where people won't be able to find them without being given the link.
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Facebook

Facebook is active and it's unfortunately, a hotspot for online bullying. Most concerning is the use of Secret Groups.

Types of Facebook Groups			
	Open	Closed	Secret
How do people join?	By request or invitation	Requires approval after request or invitation	Requires approval after request or invitation
Who can see the group?	Anyone	Anyone	Current & former members only
Who can see the members of the group?	Anyone	Anyone	Current members only
Who can see what is posted in the group?	Anyone	Members only	Members only

The activities of these groups are not visible to the general public and reportedly, Facebook itself does not monitor them, they are often used to post adult oriented pictures, spread hate messages and more.

The groups themselves harbor a secret nature so a person who is friends with someone on Facebook will not be able to tell if they are a member of a secret group. That prevents friends, parents and educators from learning their membership status. Only other members of the same group can tell if someone is in such a group. It makes these groups a perfect place for people to spread bullying messages, spread rumors, etc.

Tik Tok

Formerly known as Musical.ly, Tik Tok is often used for cyberbullying. On it, users post videos of themselves singing &/or dancing to popular songs. This has often resulted in harsh comments by others.

## Vault Apps

This is a category of apps which teens use to hide texts, images, documents, videos and even icons to launch apps that their parents don't want them to use. Popular vault apps include KYMS, Secret Calculator Folder Free, Private Photo Vault, Calculator Vault, Keepsafe Photo Vault, LOCKit and Keeper: Free Password Manager and Secure Vault. Many of them appear innocent, until a PIN, similar to using an ATM, is entered into the device, opening the hidden content.



The part of the picture showing the mathematical symbols is because this particular vault app appears to be a common calculator. While it acts like a basic calculator to anyone who opens it and tries to use it, the real purpose is far from acceptable to most parents.

## Whisper

This app is a meme (image with text) creator and sharer. Users can post publicly or in groups with a common theme. Like Tinder, it features the ability to search geographically; closer or farther away from the person using it.

It is an anonymous app, so nobody can tell who the users are, which makes it ideal for people who wish to post pictures of people they want to harass, making it appear as though they are

## Zombie Phones

Like Dropbox, this is not an app. They are phones that don't have an activated data or wireless plan. Parents typically give zombie phones to their teens as their first cell phone as a WiFi-only device (no phone number or data plan). These phones "come alive" again when they are charged and connected to a WiFi signal in your house. It is something that should concern educators and parents as it's very common for parents and schools to confiscate a minor's phone to prevent them from using it. They mistakenly believe that without their phone, they are cut off from using their apps and communicating with their friends.

Nothing could be farther from the truth. Using any device that is capable of connecting to the Internet via WiFi, anyone can use a disabled phone to use apps, including Facebook, Twitter, Snapchat, etc. For this reason, some students keep an old phone around, even if it can't be used to make phone calls. If they install WhatsApp on the device, they can still make phone calls! Most schools offer open/free WiFi to students, as do many shopping malls, larger retail stores and restaurants, especially fast food restaurants.

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