WHAT IS A FAMILY MEDIA USE PLAN?

A Family Media Use Plan helps parents balance their children’s online and offline lives. Because every family is different, the American Academy of Pediatrics has a new tool to help you create a personalized plan that works within your family’s values and busy lifestyles.

Younger Than 1½ to 2 Years
Avoid media use (except video chatting).

Preschoolers
No more than 1 hour per day of high-quality programming

Grade-schoolers & Teens
Don’t let media displace other important activities.
• 1 hour of exercise daily
• Family meals
• A full night’s sleep
• “Unplugged” downtime

All Ages
Co-view media with your kids (enjoy it with them) to help them learn from what they are doing, seeing, and saying online.

Be their media mentor!

Create your family’s plan at HealthyChildren.org/MediaUsePlan.

By creating a Family Media Use Plan, parents can help children and teens balance their media use with other healthy activities.

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