

# National Association for Children and Safe Technology

## Newsletter | November 2016

Dear Members:

No Wi-Fi Toys This Christmas – Poster Demonstration information: There are 3 ways to participate, one can do whichever suits them best: 1. Put up posters; 2. Share posts; and 3. Tweet (include the hashtags [#NoWifiToys](#) [#ThisXmas](#), and suitable articles/posts. To participate in this event please visit the FB event page:

<https://www.facebook.com/events/1520680737959182/>

The topic of Wi-Fi in schools and the efforts to turn the wireless off in school settings is dynamic and ever changing. To keep up with any significant developments, NACST is providing the *Turn It Off 4 Kids* update page, which can easily be inserted with our *Turn It Off 4 Kids* brochure. This page will be updated on a periodic basis and is located on the *Turn It Off 4 Kids* Toolkit page - <http://www.nacst.org/turn-it-off-4-kids-tool-kit.html>

We have made it easier to share NACST resources by e-mail or social media with shortened urls:

\*4-Page *Turn It Off 4 Kids* Initiative Brochure: <http://x.co/TIO4Kids>

Wi-Fi in Schools & EHS 4" x 8" Rack Card: <http://x.co/TIO4KEHS>

\*Teens & EHS 4" x 6" Information Card: <http://x.co/TEENEHS>

*\*New urls are linked to the most up to date versions of documents. Please disregard urls from the October newsletter.*

### **Wi-Fi In Schools and Libraries**

**28 November 2016**

BBC

Using School Buses To Democratize Wi-Fi

<http://www.bbc.com/autos/story/20161128-using-school-buses-to-democratise-wi-fi>

Erin Biba

Date (201?)

Finland - Skrivunder.com

Protest mot WiFi i Finlands skolor och dagvård

[http://www.skrivunder.com/stoppa\\_wifi\\_i\\_finlands\\_skolor\\_och\\_dagvard](http://www.skrivunder.com/stoppa_wifi_i_finlands_skolor_och_dagvard)

Martina Lampero

No translation available at this time.

**04 November 2016**

Sweden - NY Heter24

Riksdagsledamot: Förbjud Wi-Fi i skolan

<http://nyheter24.se/debatt/866636-riksdagsledamot-forbjud-wi-fi-i-skolan>  
Emanuel Öz

"In Sweden we now have this member of parliament who is proposing the end of the wireless in schools. In the article you can vote. If you vote JA you are supporting his proposition. Ja is yes!"

**November 2016**

Environmental Health Trust

Letters From Doctors On Wi-Fi In Schools

<http://ehtrust.org/resources-to-share/letters-doctors-wifi-schools/>

**27 October 2016**

Rhode Island - The Independent

Letter: RIDE's Wireless Classroom Initiative Puts Children At Risk

[http://www.independenri.com/independents/ind/opinion/letters/article\\_b1f06332-d473-5b2f-9a78-6fa8271a2a48.html#user-comment-area](http://www.independenri.com/independents/ind/opinion/letters/article_b1f06332-d473-5b2f-9a78-6fa8271a2a48.html#user-comment-area)

Stephen Dahl

### **Cell Phone Towers and Schools**

**16 November 2016**

Safe Tech For Schools

Children Ask To Stop Cell Towers On Their Playgrounds: Fairfax County Virginia (02:36 minute video)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dEDxOBZhZwY>

Learn more about the Crossfield Tower: <http://www.stopthecrossfieldtower.org/>

### **Medical / Scientific Advocacy**

**22 November 2016**

Dr. Jay Davidson - The Detox and Nutrition Coach

Children Are At Extreme Risk From EMF's | Interview with Dr. Libby Darnell (35:15 minute podcast/ video)

<http://drjaydavidson.com/podcast/children-emf/>

Dr. Jay Davidson

Date (201?)

Swedish Radiation Protection Foundation

Uppkopplade | BARN | Fakta Om Hur Mobiler Och Datorer Påverkar Barns Hals

[http://www.stralskyddsstiftelsen.se/wp-content/uploads/2014/08/Uppkopplade-barn\\_stralskyddsstiftelsen2014webb\\_4.pdf](http://www.stralskyddsstiftelsen.se/wp-content/uploads/2014/08/Uppkopplade-barn_stralskyddsstiftelsen2014webb_4.pdf)

This is an eight-page brochure on children and wireless health effects. No translation available at this time.

**21 October 2016**

The Seattle Times

How Many Hours a Day Are Your Kids Using Digital Media? Seattle Doctors Issue New Guidelines  
<http://www.seattletimes.com/seattle-news/health/parents-must-closely-monitor-kids-digital-media-diets-new-guidelines-say/>  
JoNel Aleccia

**07 October 2016**

Clear Light Ventures  
The National Toxicology Program's Cell Phone Study and Autism  
<http://www.clearlightventures.com/blog/2016/10/7/the-national-toxicology-programs-cell-phone-study-and-autism>  
Peter Sullivan

**21 January 2016**

California - The Sacramento Bee  
Number of California Students Classified As Autistic Jumps For 14<sup>th</sup> Consecutive Year  
<http://www.sacbee.com/site-services/databases/article55928865.html>  
Phillip Reese

### **Scientific Research**

**November 2016**

American Academy of Pediatrics – AAP News & Journals, Pediatrics  
National Trends In the Prevalence and Treatment of Depression In Adolescents and Young Adults  
<http://pediatrics.aappublications.org/content/early/2016/11/10/peds.2016-1878>  
Ramin Mojtabai, Mark Olfson, Beth Han

Download PDF -

<http://pediatrics.aappublications.org/content/pediatrics/early/2016/11/10/peds.2016-1878.full.pdf>

Article about this study:

**(1) 14 November 2016**

Canada - CBC News  
Teen Depression On the Rise In U.S.  
<http://www.cbc.ca/news/health/depression-teens-1.3850011>

"As compared with adolescent boys, adolescent girls also now use mobile phones with texting applications more frequently and intensively and problematic mobile phone use among young people has been linked to depressed mood."

**04 November 2016**

U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention  
QuickStats: Death Rates for Motor Vehicle Traffic Injury, Suicide, and Homicide Among Children and Adolescents aged 10–14 Years — United States, 1999–2014. MMWR Morb Mortal Wkly Rep 2016;65:1203.  
<http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/65/wr/mm6543a8.htm...>

Sally C. Curtin, MA, [scurtin@cdc.gov](mailto:scurtin@cdc.gov)

See also articles on the study:

**1.) 04 November 2016**

Rueters

More U.S. Middle School Students Dying of Suicide Than Car Crashes

<http://www.reuters.com/article/us-usa-suicide-teenagers-idUSKBN12Z08Q>

Alex Dobuzinskis

**2.) 04 November 2016**

Alaska Dispatch

Young Adolescents Are Now As Likely To Die From Suicide As From Traffic Accidents

<https://www.adn.com/nation-world/2016/11/03/young-adolescents-are-now-as-likely-to-die-from-suicide-as-from-traffic-accidents/>

Sabrina Tavernise (The New York Times)

**3.) 04 November 2016**

iTech Post

More Middle School Students Die Due From Suicide Than Car Crashes

<http://www.itechpost.com/articles/50100/20161104/more-middle-school-students-die-due-suicide-car-crashes.htm>

Monica U Santos

Significantly, the choice of photo used to accompany the article is in poor taste – A crochet Winnie the Pooh with a noose around its neck.

**31 October 2016**

The Washington Post

Children's Sleeplessness May Be Linked To Bedtime Use Of Electronic Gadgets

[https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/to-your-health/wp/2016/10/31/sleeplessness-of-worlds-children-may-be-linked-to-bedtime-use-of-electronic-gadgets/?utm\\_term=.abe5f85f8b8f#comments](https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/to-your-health/wp/2016/10/31/sleeplessness-of-worlds-children-may-be-linked-to-bedtime-use-of-electronic-gadgets/?utm_term=.abe5f85f8b8f#comments)

Ariana Eunjung Cha

**13 July 2016**

Springer Link | Metabolic Brain Disease | doi:10.1007/s11011-016-g870-6

Altered Urinary Porphyrins and Mercury Exposure As Biomarkers For Autism Severity In Egyptian Children With Autism Spectrum Disorder

<http://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s11011-016-g870-6>

Khaled, E.M., Meguid, N.A., Bjørklund, G. et al.

Articles about this study:

**1.) November 2016**

EcoWatch

New Study Confirms That Mercury Is Linked to Autism

<http://www.ecowatch.com/mercury-linked-autism-kennedy-2116850430.html>

Robert F. Kennedy Jr.

2.) 01 December 2016

Mercola.com

Study Confirms That Mercury Is Linked to Autism

<http://blogs.mercola.com/sites/vitalvotes/archive/2016/12/01/study-confirms-that-mercury-is-linked-to-autism.aspx>

Joseph Mercola, MD

3.) 01 December 2016

Age of Autism

New Study Confirms That Mercury Is Linked to Autism

<http://www.ageofautism.com/2016/12/new-study-confirms-that-mercury-is-linked-to-autism.html>

22 April 2016

Tampa, FL - ABC Action News

CDC: US Suicide Rates Way Up, Especially Among Young Women

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OkzZ17itpPI>

17 February 2015

BioMed Central | Military Medical Research | DOI: 10.1186/s40779-015-0033-6

Effects Of Microwave Radiation On Brain Energy Metabolism and Related Mechanisms

<http://mmrjournal.biomedcentral.com/articles/10.1186/s40779-015-0033-6>

Yan-Hui Hao, Li Zhao, Rui-Yun Peng

"The damaging effects of MW radiation on the brain include brain dysfunction and brain structural damage."

### Articles / Various

14 November 2016

News Target

Sparking Phone Charger Emits Fumes In Boston School, 7 People Hospitalized

<http://www.newstarget.com/2016-11-14-sparking-iphone-charger-emits-fumes-in-boston-school-7-people-hospitalized.html>

D. Samuelson

14 November 2016

Australia - news.com.au

Pregnant Western Sydney Mother Has Suffered 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree Burns From Her iPhone 7

<http://www.news.com.au/technology/gadgets/mobile-phones/a-pregnant-western-sydney-mother-has-suffered-second-degree-burns-from-her-iphone-7/news-story/86cb36b317af68218b71c368cbb59d14>

Matthew Dunn

05 November 2016

U.K. - The Guardian

Fears Grow For Children Addicted To Online Games

<https://www.theguardian.com/technology/2016/nov/06/fears-children-addicted-online-games>

Rob Walker

**14 November 2016**

Wellness Mama

Is EMF Exposure Really a big Deal?

<http://wellnessmama.com/129645/emf-exposure/>

**15 February 2016**

Watchdog Radio | Citizens Commission on Human Rights

Beverly Eakman – Behavioral Profiling: The Dark Side of the Information Age

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sCAB-RsBSJM> (33:58 minute audio)

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*Thank you for being a part of NACST!*