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EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY POLICY, RESEARCH AND OUTREACH (ETPRO) AND THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND LIBRARIES HOSTS THE 6TH ANNUAL C3TM CONFERENCE OCTOBER 4TH AND 5TH

Cyberethics, Cybersafety and Cybersecurity to be discussed

CLARKSVILLE, MD (August 17, 2007) – Developed to help educators and parents learn effective ways to ethically, safely, securely and effectively use technology in the classroom and at home, Educational Technology Policy, Research and Outreach (ETPRO) originally a sub-department in the College of Education at UMCP and the University of Maryland Libraries is hosting the 6th Annual C3TM Conference October 4-5, 2007. The conference is titled, “Cyberethics, Cybersafety, and Cybersecurity — For Professional Educators: Implications for Classroom and Higher Education Technology Instruction.” This year’s sessions include recent survey findings on ethics, security and the National C3 Baseline Pilot Study.

Participants will hear from a number of national Educational Technology and Information and Assurance Technology Experts on topics including Acceptable Use Policies, Copyright, Promotion Strategies for Academic Integrity and Character Education, Ethical Development and Decision Making, Privacy, Cyberbullying, Identity Theft, Educational Curriculum Options, Security and Safety. Through a variety of presentations and case studies, participants will give consideration to responses that can be applied in their own settings. Participants will also learn how to get more actively involved through October’s rollout of - [National Cyber Security Awareness Month](#) and the [National C3TM Baseline Study](#).

“With the constant evolving of new security issues, technology gadgets to tempt students to gain an advantage, recent trends in cyberbullying and identity theft and the expansion of laws on copyright infringement and file-sharing, this conference is useful for all educators and parents who want to keep up with the latest information,” said Davina Pruitt-Mentle, ETPRO Director.

The first day of the conference will host several keynote speakers, Maryland Attorney General Douglas Gansler, promoting Maryland’s new C.L.I.C.K.S. initiative, Detective Robert Smolek from Maryland’s Internet Crimes Against Children Taskforce, Ashley Mouberry Sieman, Academic Integrity Templeton Research Fellow, and nationally known speaker Nancy Willard, M.S. and J.D., and director of the [Center for Safe and Responsible Internet Use](#) and [Cyberbully.org](#). A full day of ethics, safety and security workshops is scheduled for Friday. The early registration fee for the conference, to be held at the Stamp Union at the University of Maryland College Park campus (Friday’s Workshops will be in the McKeldin Library) is \$75. On-site registration fee is \$125. **Registration includes refreshments, keynote luncheon, conference materials, handouts, workshop sessions, and conference CD.**

To register for the conference, please visit <http://www.edtechpolicy.com/C32007/>, or contact Davina Pruitt-Mentle at dpruitt@umd.edu.

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