20 Screen Time Limits for Your Teen to Be and Stay Healthy

Remember Cell Phones are a Privilege NOT a Right!

- 1. Model for teens what you are asking them to do.
- 2. Say no to texting during meal times.
- 3. TV stays off during meal times.
- 4. No screen time until chores and homework are complete.
- 5. Once those things are complete set a time limit for computer and other device usage.
- 6. Have a dedicated turn off time each night for all electronics on weekdays and weekends.
- 7. No TVs allowed in bedrooms.
- 8. Have access to social media passwords.
- 9. Turn cell phones off before bed.
- 10. Set cell phones to their dim setting aka "night shift" at a certain time at night and in the early morning to reduce problems with blue light.
- 11. Don't give teens access to your credit card numbers and keys to access them on your computers.
- 12. Meet teens friends that they are chatting with online and in gaming.
- 13. Meet teens friends that they are frequently on social media with.
- 14. No cell phone access or social media use during the night.
- 15. Remind teens not to give out their personal details online.
- 16. Do not announce private family information on your social media.
- 17. Join social media sites and apps that your teens like and use so that you can understand what they are doing.
- 18. Be specific and consistent with any rules you make.
- 19. If necessary take away all electronics for a short period of time such as a weekend or a week. Make realistic and measureable goals for teen to get them back.
- 20. Spend time, face time, with your teen!