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Overview

As parents and carers you know your child better than anyone and have the best opportunity to support and guide them to have safer online experiences and develop good technology habits. This guide covers some general advice and practical steps to help you manage your child's use of their iPad.

Be engaged, open and supportive

- Get involved. Share online time with your children as part of family life. Play games together. Talk about favourite apps, games or websites.
- Reassure your child they can always come to you, no matter what. Let them know you will not cut off internet access if they report feeling uncomfortable or unsafe when online — this is a real concern that may stop your child from communicating with you openly.
- If you notice a change in behaviour or mood, talk to your child about it. If you are concerned, consider seeking professional help — from your GP, a psychologist or school counsellor.

Set some rules

- Set age-appropriate rules for devices and online access, with consequences for breaking them.
- Ensure your child's input — this will help them understand risks. As they get older you can review your rules together.
- Consider using a family tech agreement that cover the type of websites that can be visited, time spent online and acceptable online behaviour. A sample family tech agreement is available from the Australia eSafety Commissioner - <https://www.esafety.gov.au/parents/children-under-5/family-tech-agreement>
- Consider making some 'rules for parents' too — and stick to them! Model behaviour that you would like to see.

Use the available technology

- Get to know the devices you and your children use and set them up for privacy and online safety. Take advantage of parental controls to monitor and control screen time and access to content in ways appropriate to your child's age and experience. The following guide demonstrates how to setup parental controls on your child's iPad.

More information and practical advice is available at <https://www.esafety.gov.au/parents>



Family Sharing



Family Sharing lets you and up to five other family members share access to amazing Apple services like Apple Music, Apple TV+, Apple News+, and Apple Arcade. Your group can also share iTunes, Apple Books, and App Store purchases, an iCloud storage plan, and a family photo album. You can even help locate each other's missing devices.

Start a family group

One adult in the family—the family organizer—can set up Family Sharing for the group from their iPhone, iPad, iPod touch, or Mac. If you turn on purchase sharing, you'll be asked to confirm that you agree to pay for purchases initiated by the family members you invite and that you have a valid payment method on file. Valid payment methods for setting up Family Sharing include credit cards and debit cards.

Invite people to join your family

If you haven't already, you can create an Apple ID for a child and add them to your group. If your family member already has an Apple ID, use the steps below to add someone to your family group. You can be a part of only one family at a time.

If your family member is with you, they can enter their Apple ID password on your device to accept the invitation. You can also send them an invitation, and they can accept from their device.

On your iPhone, iPad, or iPod touch

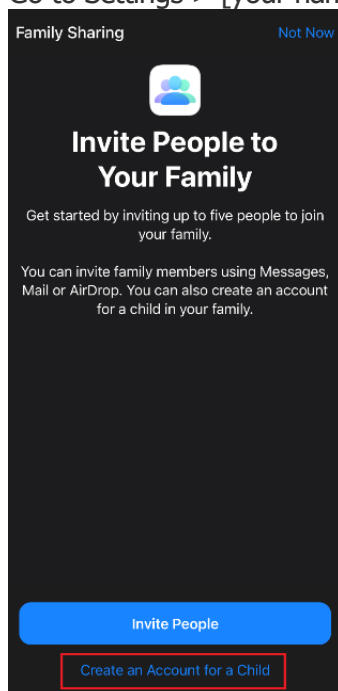
1. Go to Settings > [your name] > Family Sharing.
2. Tap Add Member.
3. Enter your family member's name or email address and follow the onscreen instructions.
4. Choose whether you'd like to send an invitation via Messages or to invite them in person. Then follow the onscreen instructions.



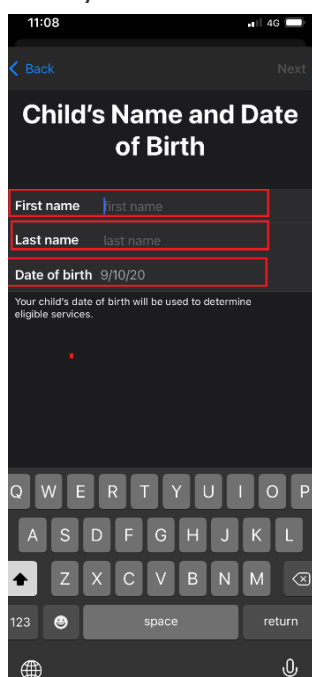
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iPhone, iPad or iPod touch

1. Go to Settings > [your name] > Family Sharing > Add Family Member > Create a Child Account > Next.

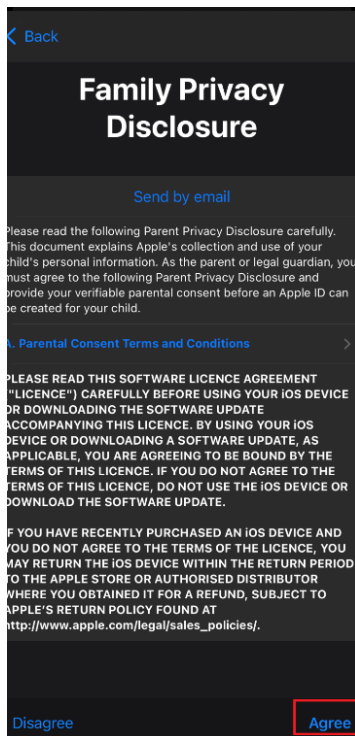


2. Enter your child's birthday and tap Next. Be sure to enter the correct date — you can't change it later.

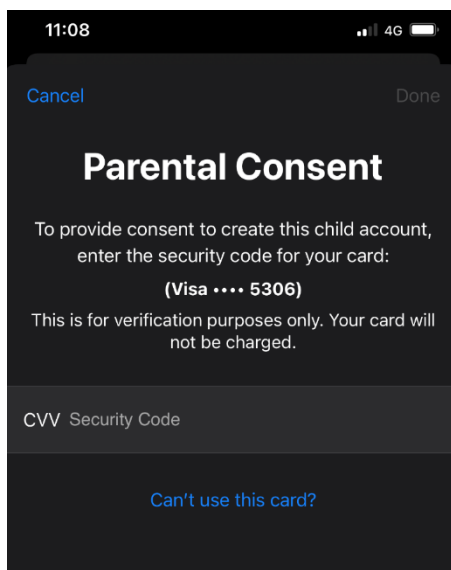




3. Review the Parent Privacy Disclosure and tap Agree.



4. Enter the requested information for your payment method and tap Next. If you don't have a payment method on file, you need to add one.





5. Enter your child's name, tap Next, then create their Apple ID (username@icloud.com) and tap Next. Tap Create.
6. Put Child email address. If child doesn't have email, Just click "Do not have an email address". It will redirect to create a new @icloud.com Email for Child.

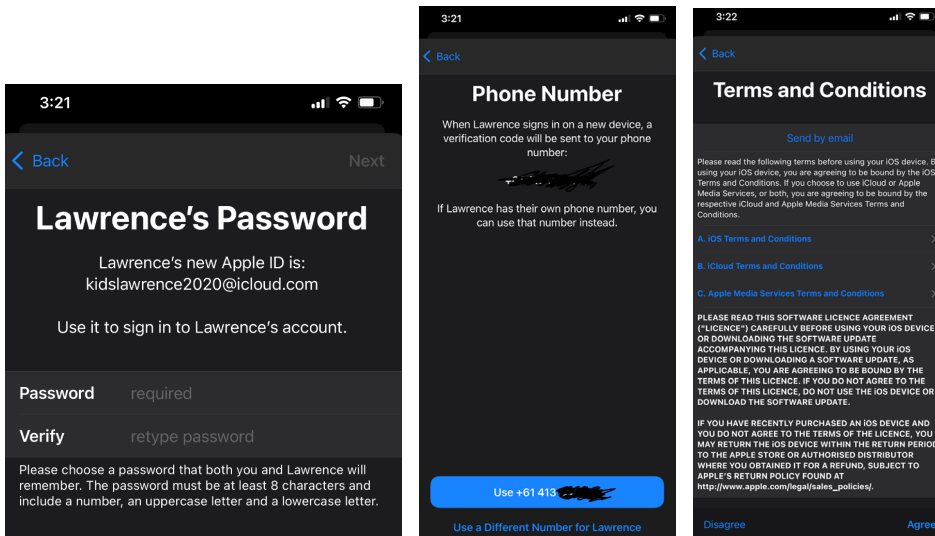
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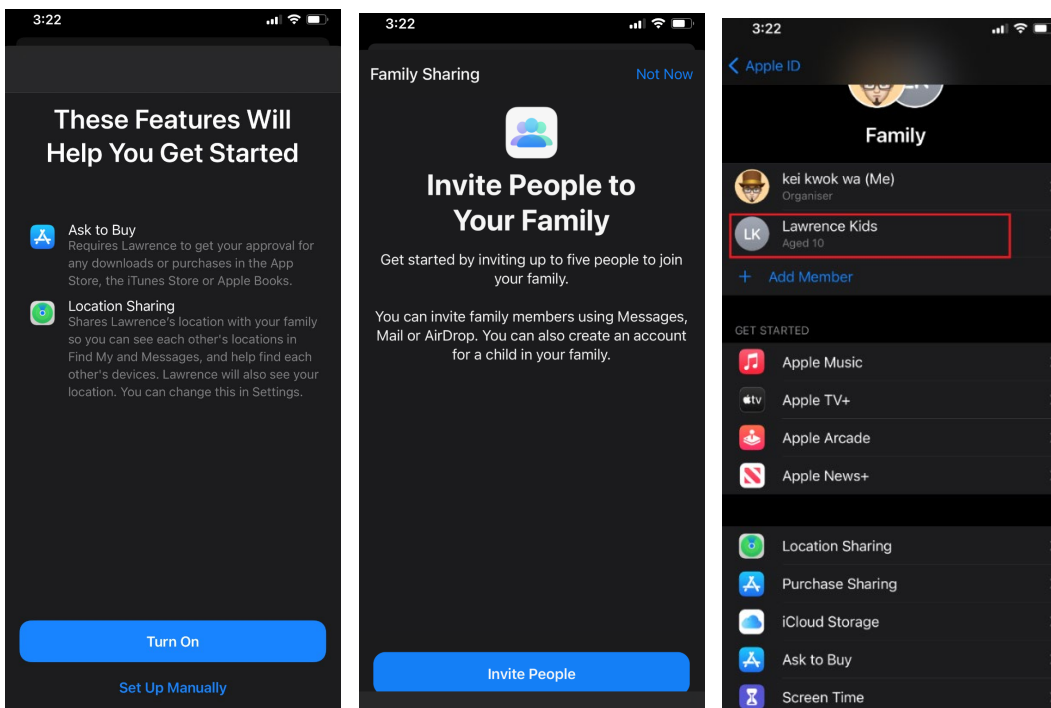
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- Follow the onscreen instructions to set a password, set up your child's account. Choose passwords. Click User "+61.xxxxx" to verification code with your phone number. Click "Agree" to allow the Terms and Conditions.



- Turn on Ask to Buy to approve all iTunes Store, Apple Books, and App Store purchases initiated by your child. You are responsible for all charges to your account. Tap Next.





Screen time Limits

Turn on Screen Time

1. Go to Settings > Screen Time.
2. Tap Turn on Screen Time.
3. Tap Continue.
4. Select This is My [device] or This is My Child's [device].

You can now get a report about how you use your device, apps and websites, any time you want.

If it's your child's device, you can set up Screen Time and create settings right on their device or you can use **Family Sharing** to configure your child's device from your own device. After you set up your child's device, you can also use Family Sharing to view reports and adjust settings right from your own device.

With Screen Time you can also create a dedicated passcode to secure settings, so only you can extend time or make changes. Make sure to choose a passcode that's different from the passcode you use to unlock your device. To change or turn off the passcode on your child's device, go to Settings > Screen Time, and tap [your child's name]. Then tap Change Screen Time Passcode or Turn Off Screen Time Passcode, and authenticate the change with Face ID, Touch ID or your device passcode.

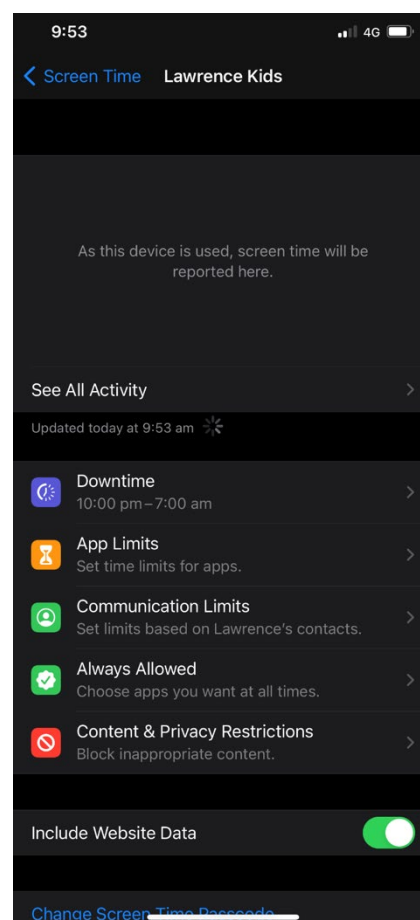
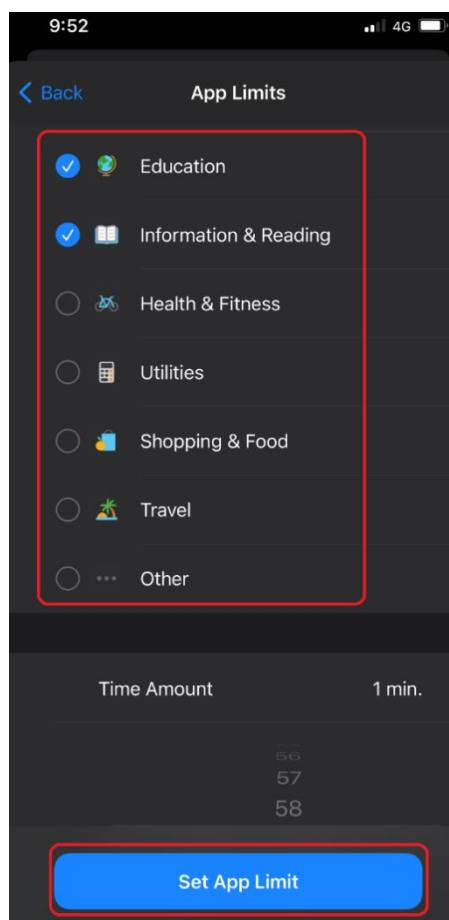
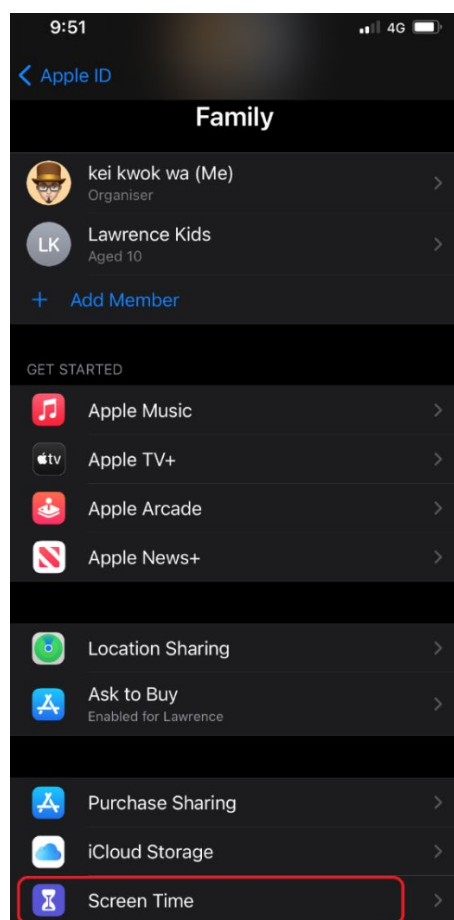


Set a Screen Time passcode

Set a passcode so that only you can change Screen Time settings and allow more time when app limits expire. If you're a parent, use this feature to set up enforceable content and privacy limitations for your child.

If you're using Family Sharing to manage a child account, follow these steps:

1. Tap Settings > Screen Time.
2. Scroll down and choose your child's name under Family.
3. Tap Turn on Screen Time, then tap Continue.
4. Set up Downtime, App Limits and Content & Privacy with all of the limitations that you want for your child, or tap Not Now.
5. Tap Use Screen Time Passcode, then enter a passcode when prompted. Re-enter the passcode to confirm.
6. Enter your Apple ID and password. This can be used to reset your Screen Time passcode if you forget it.





Set up Ask to Buy

How Ask to Buy works

With Ask to Buy, when kids want to buy or download a new item, they send a request to the family organizer. The family organizer can use their own device to approve or decline the request. For example, if a child wants to buy an app, the family approver can see the app and decide whether to allow it.

If the family organizer approves the request and completes the purchase, the item automatically downloads to the child's device. If the family organizer declines the request, no purchase or download will take place. If a child redownloads a purchase, downloads a shared purchase, installs an update, or uses a redemption code, the family organizer won't receive a request.

Who can use Ask to Buy

Families can use Ask to Buy after they set up Family Sharing. The family organizer can turn on Ask to Buy for any family member who isn't an adult. You'll be asked to set up Ask to Buy when you invite anyone under 18 to your family group.

Ask to Buy is enabled by default for children under 13. If you turn off Ask to Buy, your child can buy content with your payment method without asking you first. If a family member turns 18 and the family organizer turns off Ask to Buy, the family organizer can't turn it on again.

How to turn on or turn off Ask to Buy

If you're the family organizer, use your own device to turn on or turn off Ask to Buy.

On your iPhone, iPad, or iPod touch

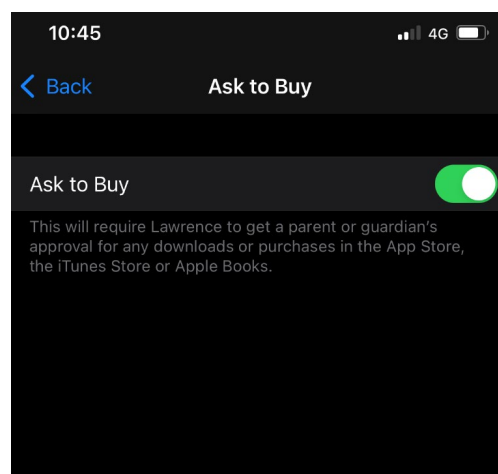
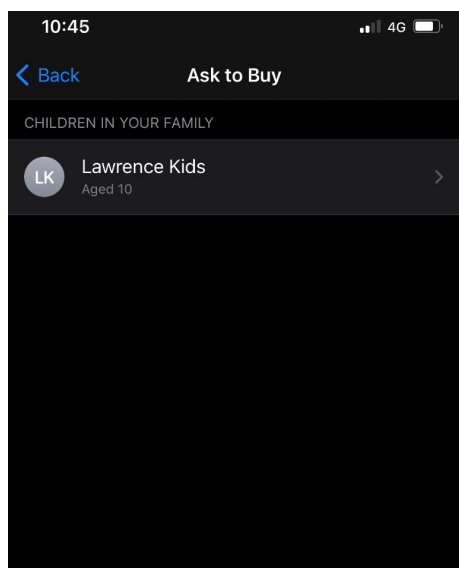
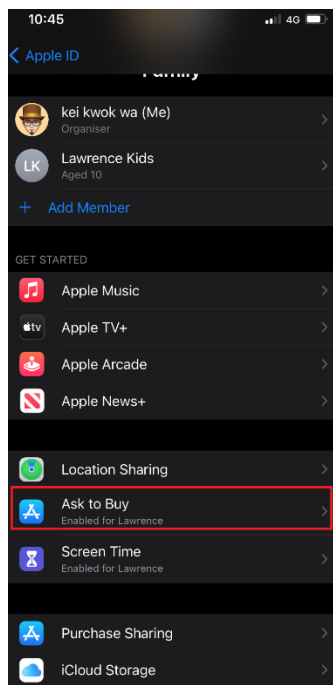
1. Open the Settings app.
2. Tap your name.
3. Tap Family Sharing.
4. Tap Ask to Buy.
5. Tap on your family member's name.
6. Use the toggle to turn on or off Ask to Buy.

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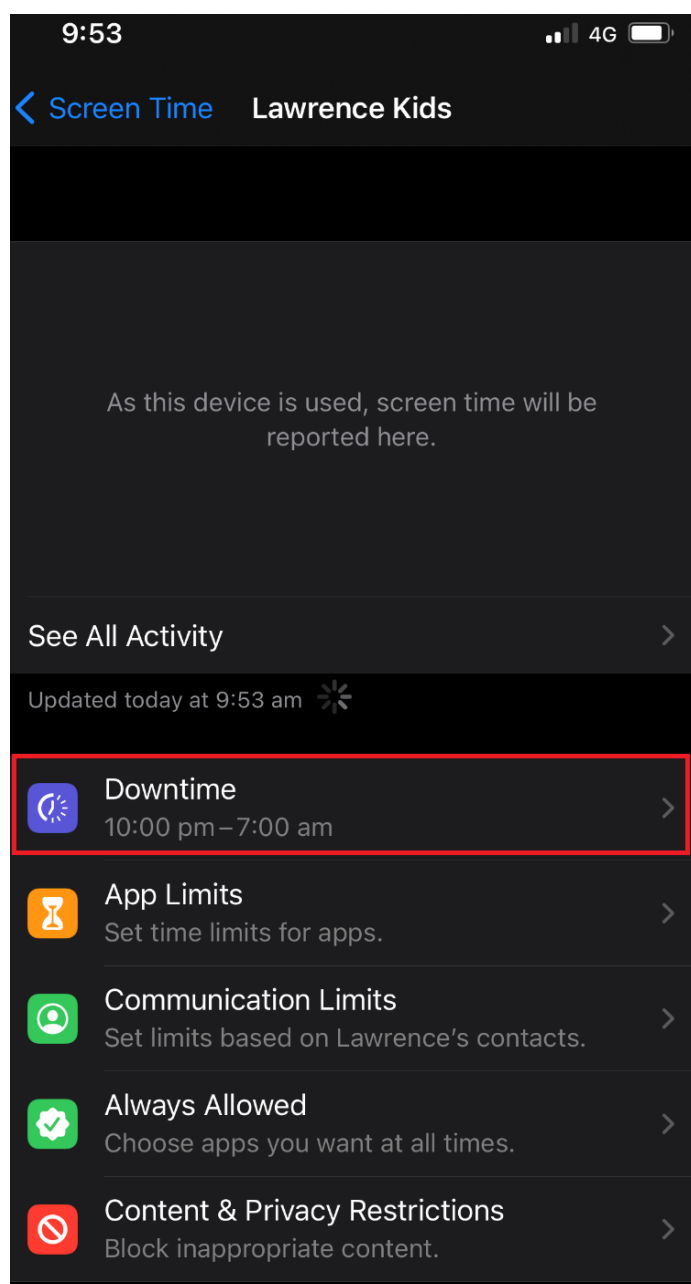
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Set up Downtime

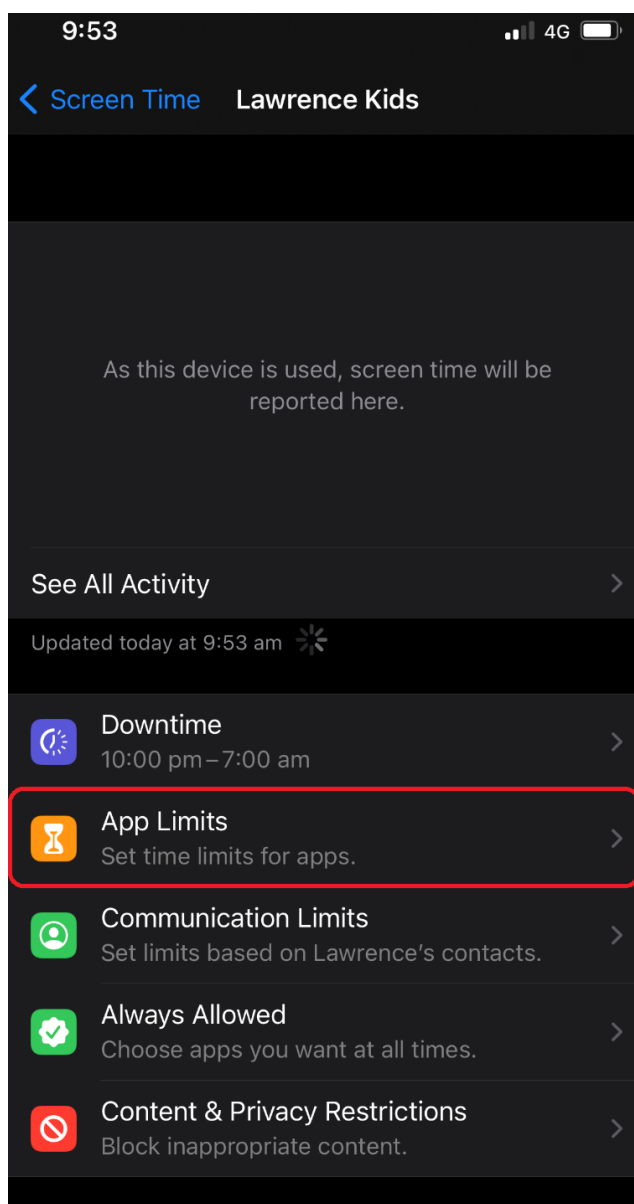
Think of this as a nap for your screen time. When you schedule downtime in Settings, only phone calls and apps that you choose to allow are available. Downtime applies to all your Screen Time-enabled devices, and you get a reminder five minutes before it starts.





Set app Limits

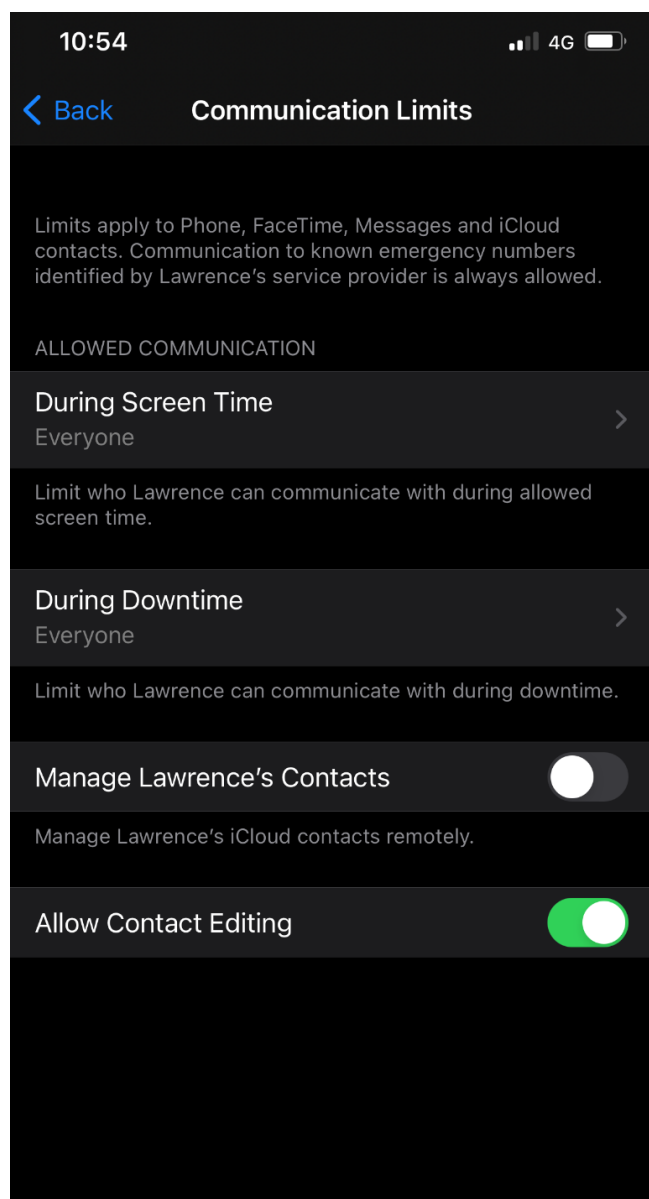
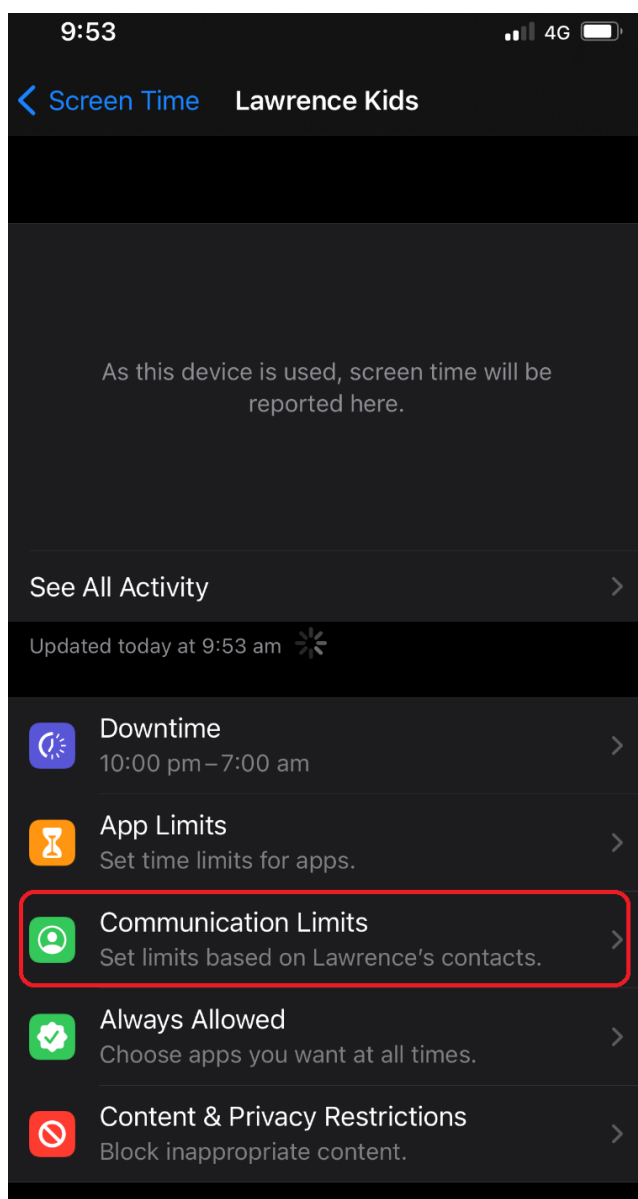
You can set daily limits for app categories with App Limits. For example, you might want to see productivity apps while you're at work, but not social networking or games. App Limits refresh every day at midnight, and you can delete them any time.





Use Communication limits

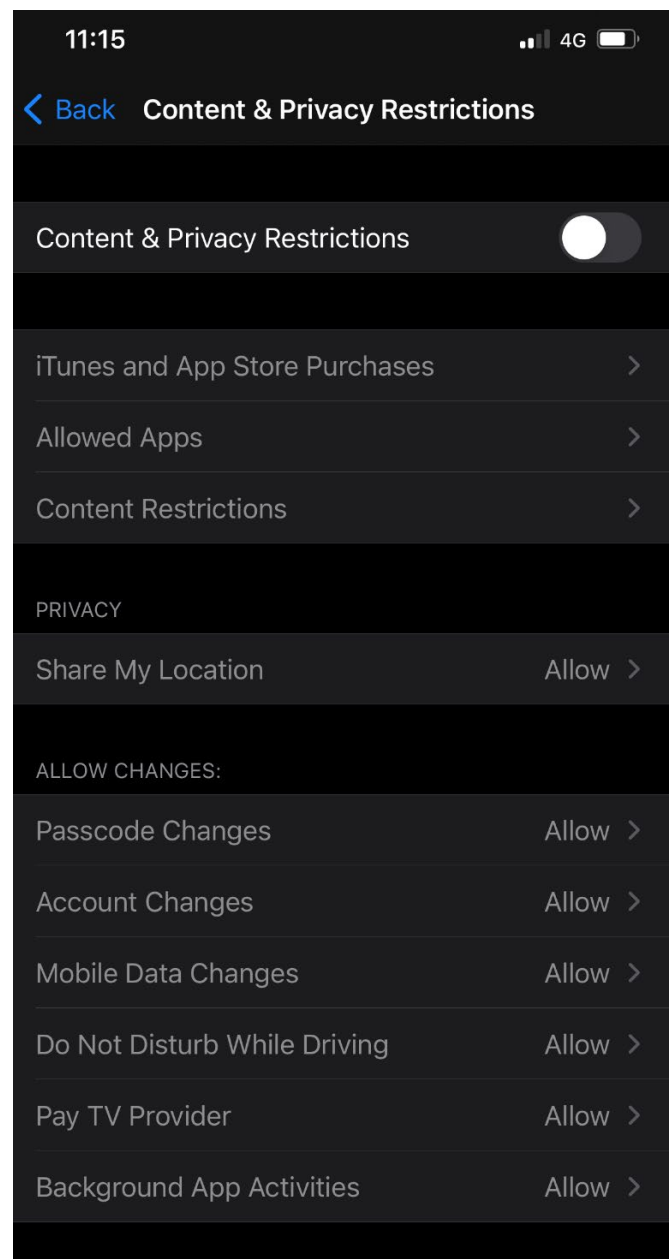
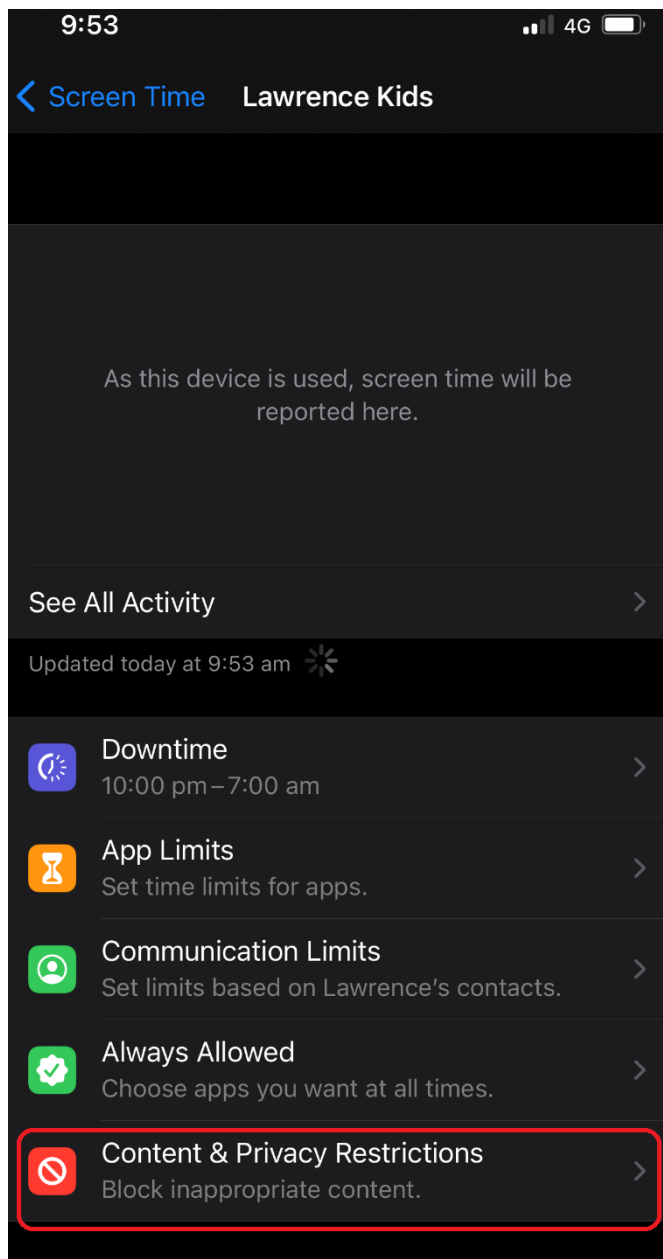
Control who your children can communicate with — throughout the day and during downtime. These limits apply to Phone, FaceTime, Messages and iCloud contacts. This is also where you can decide and manage which contacts are available on an Apple Watch paired through Family Setup. Communication to known emergency numbers identified by your iPhone or Apple Watch service provider is always allowed. You need to have your iCloud contacts enabled to use this feature.





Set content and Privacy Restrictions

You decide the type of content that appears on your device. Block inappropriate content, purchases and downloads, and set your privacy settings with Content & Privacy Restrictions.





Set up location Services

How to give apps permission to use your location

Some apps might not work unless you turn on Location Services. The first time an app needs to access your Location Services information, you'll get a notification asking for permission. Choose one of these options:

- Tap Allow to let the app use Location Services information as needed.
- Tap Don't Allow to prevent access.
- Tap Ask Next Time to choose Always While Using App, Allow Once or Don't Allow.

iOS devices might use Wi-Fi and Bluetooth to determine your location. GPS and cellular location are available on iPhone and iPad (Wi-Fi + Cellular) models.

How to turn Location Services on or off for specific apps

1. Go to Settings > Privacy > Location Services.
2. Make sure that Location Services is on.
3. Scroll down to find the app.
4. Tap the app and select an option:
 - Never: Prevents access to Location Services information.
 - Ask Next Time: This allows you to choose Always While Using App, Allow Once, or Don't Allow.
 - While Using the App: Allows access to Location Services only when the app or one of its features is visible on screen. If an app is set to While Using the App, you might see your status bar turn blue with a message that an app is actively using your location.
 - Always: Allows access to your location even when the app is in the background.