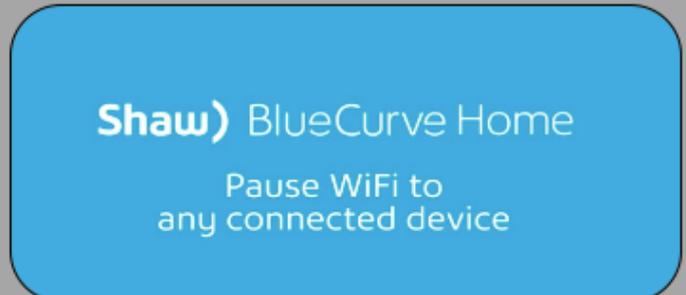
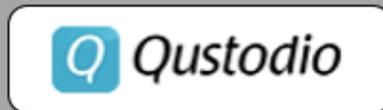
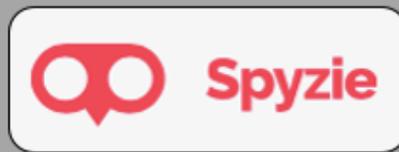
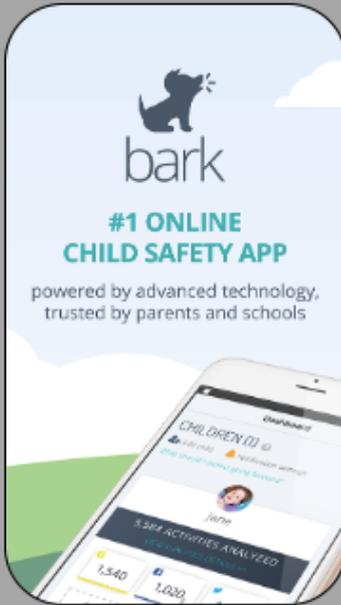


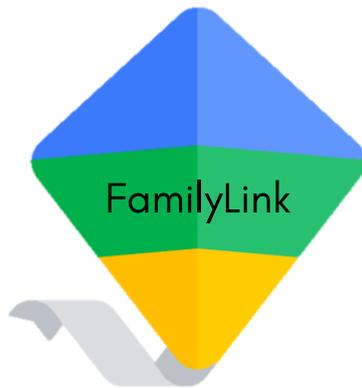
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PARENTAL CONTROL APPS



FamilyLink offers many different ways to monitor your child's phone (and it's free to use!)

- You can view your kids' activity, and see how much time they spend on their favourite apps.
- They have notifications to let you approve or block apps your child wants to download, and you can manage in-app purchases or hide specific apps on their device.
- It lets you set time limits and a bedtime for their device, so you can help them find a good balance.
- You can also remotely lock a device whenever it's time to take a break.
- It's also helpful to be able to find your child when they're on the go. You can use Family Link to help locate them as long as they're carrying their device.

To learn more:

<https://families.google.com/familylink/>



The Bark app is another excellent way to monitor your child's device, but it does have a cost (\$9/month).

Bark covers text messaging, YouTube, email, and social media platforms and apps -- 4x more than any other child monitoring app. You'll get automatic alerts to signs of cyberbullying, depression, online predators, adult content, and more.

Bark looks for activity that may indicate online predators, adult content, sexting, cyberbullying, drug use, suicidal thoughts, and more.

You will get automatic alerts when Bark detects potential issues, along with expert recommendations from child psychologists for addressing them.

To learn more:

<https://www.bark.us/#how>

SPYZIE

One of the most 'invasive' of all the options, Spyzie allows you to see pretty much everything on your child's device. There are two parts to Spyzie; the parent account that you create, and the monitoring app you install on their phone. You will need physical access to your child's phone for this. Once the service is activated, the app icon will be deleted automatically. It will work in stealth mode, and your child will not know that you can see their phone.



WhatsApp

Check All Messages on WhatsApp

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Screenshots

View The Target's Screen with A Simple Click

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Call Log

Get Access to The Detailed Call Log of Target Device

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Messages

Check All The Text Messages on Target Device

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Data Export New

Export and View All The Monitored Data

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Alert New

Get Sensitive Information Alert Automatically

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Location

Always Keep Track on Target's Location

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Keylogger

Automatically Record All The Input Information

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Messenger

Check All Messages on Facebook Messenger

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Browser History

Read The Browsing History of Target Device

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Timeline New

View All Phone Activities at A Glance

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Photos

Monitor All Pictures on Target Device

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Instagram

Read All Messages and Photos on Instagram

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Snapchat

Check All Messages and Photos on Snapchat

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Contacts

Browse The Target Device's Contact List

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Spyzie offers 2-3 different payment options, with the more expensive options offering more features. The Basic version does **not** include tracking of most popular social media apps. The Pro version will include many more apps and features, while the Ultimate includes every service that Spyzie offers. The only difference between Pro and Ultimate is that Ultimate includes Timeline, Alert, and Data Export.

Basic: \$40/month
Pro: \$50/month
Ultimate: \$60/month

Note: the Basic option is only available on Android devices.

Prices are in US dollars unless otherwise noted.

QUSTODIO

Qustodio offers a lot of monitoring options for parents, as you can see in the breakdown below. One positive of Qustodio is that, unlike Spyzie, every payment plan has access to ALL of the features listed below. The difference in price comes from the amount of devices you can monitor, which range from 5-15. (There is also a free version, but it only offers basic protection features for a single device.) There are two parts to Qustodio; the parental monitoring app that you download on your phone or computer, and the app that you must install on your child's device. Qustodio also works across a range of operating systems including iOS, Android, Windows, Mac and even Kindle.



Extended reporting

Receive a full 30 day breakdown of your child's activity directly in your inbox on a daily or weekly basis.



Basic Protection

Qustodio's world-class web filtering engine, time limits, and reporting features.



Time limits by device

Easily set a time schedule or limits for how much internet time is allowed each day.



Games & Apps blocking

Decide which games and applications can be used and when.



YouTube Monitoring Beta NEW!

See what your child searches for and watches on the YouTube Android app and YouTube website. Android, Windows, and Mac devices only.



Advanced Facebook Monitoring

View status updates, pictures, friends, and more on social networks.



Call Tracking and Blocking for Android

See who your child calls most and block unwanted numbers on Android.



Track SMS for Android

See who your child texts most and read text messages.



Family Locator NEW!

See where your child has been and know they are safe now. Available for Android and iOS devices only.



Panic Button for Android

Adds an SOS button to your child's Android smartphone that sends you location-based alerts when there's trouble.



Priority Support

To help you get set up with Qustodio and answer your questions.

Small Plan (5 devices): \$55/yr, or \$5/month

Medium Plan (10 devices): \$97/yr, or \$8/month

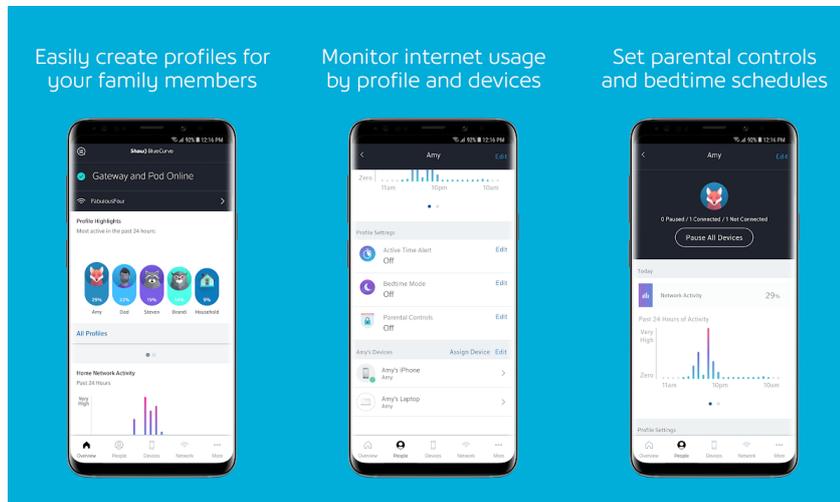
Large Plan (15 devices): \$138/yr, or \$12/month

Prices are in US dollars unless otherwise noted.

SHAW BLUECURVE HOME

Note: This app is only available to Shaw Internet customers who have a BlueCurve Gateway. Similar to KidsWifi, the controls you set will only work if your child is connected to **your** home Wifi network.

BlueCurve can give you full control of your wifi network and devices that connect to it. The BlueCurve Home app lets you see who is online, set schedules by users and devices, monitor usage, and turn your Wifi on and off. Profiles let you manage how and when people can connect to your network. Parental Controls let you block inappropriate content, while Bedtime Mode keeps your kids' devices offline at night. You can also set other times for the Wifi to be off; for example, at dinner time, if you don't want your kids on their phones. You can even block a video game console (like an Xbox) from connecting online without affecting your device's wifi.



BlueCurve is available on both of these plans. The only difference between them is the speed of the Wifi you're getting. Internet 300 will give you a download speed of 300 mbps/second, while 600 will give you 600 mbps/second.

Internet 300: \$55/month
Internet 600: \$60/month
(These prices are in CAD.)

OTHER OPTIONS



Net Nanny
Symantec Norton Family Premier
Kaspersky Safe Kids
Clean Router

(From PCMag's "Best Parental Control Software for 2019")

PARENTAL CONTROL ROUTERS

From "The 10 Best Parental Control Routers of 2020"

If you have internet and WiFi at home, you definitely have a router. These provide internet connection for your home, and many routers now come with features such filtering content and setting time limits for certain users . Most come with a handy app so that you can control all this from your own phone!

Best Overall: Asus RT-AC88U at Amazon

Best for Performance: Gryphon Secure Mesh System at Amazon

Best Coverage: Eero Pro at Amazon

Best Budget: Linksys EA7300 at Amazon

Best Mini: Router Limits Mini at Amazon

Best for All Ages: Circle Home Plus at Amazon

Best for Simplicity: Koalasafer Dome at Amazon

Best for Smart Home: Netgear Nighthawk R7000 at Amazon

Best for Privacy: Syfer Unlimited Smart VPN Router at Amazon

Best for Multiple Devices: Netgear Nighthawk R8000P at Amazon

Source: <https://www.lifewire.com/best-parental-control-routers-4160776>

Price: Varies from around \$100 to \$600 CAD

I encourage you to search the link above and read the full reviews for each product, so that you can decide which router (if any) will work the best for your family.
