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## Snapchat App – Snap Map Sharing Location Feature

FAO: All Parents

The popular app, Snapchat, just updated with a new feature that may have some parents concerned.

Snapchat's newest feature, 'Snap Map,' is an attempt to get people to use their app beyond the screen and meet people face-to-face in real life.

Snap Map lets users share their current location. Once updated to this latest version of Snapchat, users will be asked if they want to share their location so other snapchatters can see their current location on a map.

There is the option to stay in 'Only me - Ghost Mode' which does not share a user's location.

We would advise parents to check if their child has the latest version installed and to make sure they are not sharing their location. It is also important to talk to them about keeping themselves safe online and that the best option is not to share their location.

### How to check if your child is sharing their location on the latest update (22<sup>nd</sup> June 2017) of the app.

1. Tap the **ghost icon** on the app's **camera screen** to access the profile
2. Then tap the **gear/cog icon** to enter **settings** in the upper-right corner of the screen.
3. Scroll down to the '**Who can...**' section and make sure **See My Location** is set to **Only Me** which will not share their location.

