Facebook Privacy Settings

Control Your Default Privacy
This is the default privacy setting that will automatically apply to all of your posts. It defines who you share your post with: public, friends or custom. You can change this for each individual post when you make a status post or photo upload, but your choice here will appear as the default.

Public: Shares your post with anyone on the internet (not just people in your Facebook circle).

Friends: Shares your post with just your Facebook friends. Good idea to do this.

Custom: Allows more options for who your content is shared with.

How You Connect
You have the ability to choose who can find and connect to you, including:

- Who can look up your profile by name or contact info (everyone, friends, or friends of friends)
- Who can send you friend requests (everyone or friends of friends)
- Who can send you Facebook messages (everyone, friends, or friends of friends)
- Who can post on your wall (friends or only me)
- Who can see Wall posts by others on your profile (public, friends of friends, friends, only me, custom or choose specific groups/people)

How Tags Work
You have the ability to control what happens when friends tag you or your content, including:

- Review all tags that include you before they are posted on your profile. Good idea to turn this on.
- Review of tags that friends want to add to your posts. Good idea to turn this on.
- Once you review a post you are tagged in, who it is visible to (public, friends of friends, friends, custom or choose specific groups/people)
- Facebook can add tag suggestions to your friends who upload photos that look like you, i.e. Facebook recognizes your facial features and tells your friend uploading the photo that they should tag that photo of you with your name.
- Friends can check you into places using the mobile Places app. Be cautious with all check-in programs that tell your location.
Apps and Websites
On Facebook, your name, profile picture, gender, networks, username and user id (account number) are always publicly available, including to apps. Also, by default, apps have access to your friends list and any information you choose to make public. You can edit your settings to control what is shared with apps, games, and websites by you and others you share with, including:

- Apps you use (if you use any).
- How people bring your info to apps they use.
- Instant personalization.
- Public search.

*It is up to you what information about yourself you want to share. Always be aware of what is being shared.*

Limit the Audience for Past Posts
Set who can set previous posts that you have shared with a wider audience to only show to your friends.

Blocked People and Apps
You block specific friends and others on Facebook from:

- Viewing your posts to friends (if they are a friend and you do not want them to view your posts to friends).
- Friending you.
- Application invites.
- Event invites.