

Tech Tips for Seniors

Managing Settings

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This introduction to the Settings app on all mobile phones will highlight the many functions you can manage in order to configure your device with your personal preferences.

Settings is arguably the most important app that is installed on all mobile phones.

Several related articles on this website, such as the one on phone privacy and safety, will delve into the specifics.

Here are a few settings to consider as a starting point:

- Setting up a Wi-Fi connection and disabling cellular data.
- Changing the amount of time your screen stays active.
- Adjusting the size of the type.
- Updating versions of the device's operating system.
- Instructing the device how to handle spam and other unwanted phone calls.
- Selecting, or even silencing your preferred ring tone for incoming phone calls, text messages and E-mails.
- Keeping advertisers and others from tracking your location and personal viewing preferences.

There are dozens of other choices to consider in the Settings app. It is important to take some time to explore them.

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If you have questions about any of this, feel free to make a “Technology Tips” appointment for Tuesday mornings at Generations when the center opens. Just call the main number: 215-723-5841.

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