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Dear Pennsbury School Community,

Social media plays an undeniable role in the lives of our students. When used correctly, it can be a valuable tool. When it is misused, the results can be devastating. Apps such as Snapchat and TikTok provide ample opportunities for young people to share personal information and sometimes make hurtful comments. In fact, most in-school incidents start outside of school, on a personal device, which then impacts our school climate and culture.

As part of the district's commitment to supporting our students, we are pleased to offer a presentation on the impact of social media and cyberbullying to our families and students.

What: LIKE – A documentary about the impact of social media on our lives and a discussion with the Falls Township Police and the Pennsbury School District immediately following.

When: Feb 12, 2024

Time: 6:30 PM - Total program length: 90 minutes

Where: Pennsbury High School East Auditorium (705 Hood Boulevard, Fairless Hills)

A live stream is available for those unable to attend this event in person. <u>Please click here to access the live stream link.</u>

We are committed to working with you to deliver the message to our students that their online presence is public and permanent.

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Last Year's Presentation on Social Media

As a reminder, Pennsbury uses <u>Safe2Say</u>, an anonymous tip line, to alert us to any individual who may be struggling and/or in danger of causing harm to themselves or others. Every tip is investigated.

MISSION

Recognizing our proud traditions and diverse community, the Pennsbury School District prepares all students to become creative, ethical, and critical thinkers for lifelong success in a global society.