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Lynn Jones Board Secretary 9-05-2023 Dear Parents/Guardians.

The Mount Olive Township School District recognizes the large impact that social media and the internet has on our students. In an effort to support our families, we are proud to partner with Cyber Safety Cop to host the seminar, Parenting in the Digital World, a 90-minute, engaging and eye-opening presentation about what is really going on in our children's digital world. The seminar will take place on Tuesday, October 10th from 6:30 to 8:00 pm in the Mount Olive High School's Performing Arts Center (PAC).

In this "new normal" where children are learning online from home, they are exposed more than ever to online predators and the damaging effects of screen time. This seminar will show you the current games, and apps teens are using today. Secondly, cyberbullying and other online threats are defined with current trends and real-world examples investigated in schools. Lastly, participants will be given tools and an action plan that they can immediately begin using to help keep their children safe online.

Topics discussed:

- Current apps kids are using and what you need to know about them
- Risks associated with popular social media sites
- "Sexting" and online predators
- How to set expectations and consequences
- How to monitor online activity and find secret Instagram accounts
- How to talk to your child about pornography
- Parental controls and privacy settings

Please note the seminar is FOR PARENTS ONLY. NO CHILDREN ARE ALLOWED IN THE PRESENTATION.

Students in grades 5-12 will have a presentation conducted by Cyber Security Cop during the school day. Their presentation will cover similar topics but with an emphasis on the student perspective. If you prefer your child not attend the presentation, please email their school principal to inform them.

In an effort to ensure we can properly plan for the event, please take a moment to fill out this google form, if you plan on attending. Please note by filling out this form, you are not obligated to attend. Guests are also welcome to attend, if they do not fill out the form ahead of time.

For more information about the event, please contact Mrs. Carissa Caliguiri at carissa.caliguiri@motsd.org.

Warm regards, Sumit