



Edmeston Central School

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

I realize that this is a busy time of year for many of us. It is the time of the year that we see such excitement in our children, young and old. With all that you have on your plate at this time, it is my wish that you read about a very important presentation that ECS will be providing to our parents.

Today, Wendy Fical, the Program Director for the Utica, NY Office for the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, gave presentations to all of our students in grades K-12 about social media safety and how predators use social media to manipulate and hurt our children. Students were given information regarding social media that both children and parents need to know in order to protect and keep our children safe.

We know that technology rapidly improves every year. Meanwhile, new forms of social media are also rapidly developing that we do know. Our children might hear about them from their friends or people who they have connected to through social media. Predators are aware of these sites as well and are very clever in how they use them to get to know children.

Mrs. Fical will be providing valuable information for you on January 24 at 6:30 p.m. in the auditorium. She will review many of the topics she shared with our students today as well as other important information that parents need to know. This information is very important and will help to keep our children safe. Students and advisors from the National Honor Society and Student Council will be here to supervise your children. Yes, free babysitting for the evening because we really want you to hear this message and learn more about social media. We hope to see you there.

Sincerely,

Gary Furman, Ed.D.

Please complete and return to the elementary or homeroom teacher if you will need supervision for your child/children.

Parent Name _____

Children's Name and Age

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