SOCIAL MEDIA

WHAT EVERY
PARENT NEEDS TO
KNOW

Statistics are from Pew Research Center



Bohn Elementary is ...

Elementary School

With Students ranging in age from 5 - 11.

Some students do not have a Social Media sites, but other have access on a daily b



What Is Social Media?

Internet-based form of communication

Allow users to:

- *have conversations,
- *share information
- *create web content



Popular Social Media Sites (SMS)

TIK-TOK

YouTube

Instagram

Snapchat

Discord



On Instagram and Snapchat ...

"My Eyes Only"

- Private Folder
- Password Protected
- Users can save sensitive pictures and texts.



Calculator+

- Can Be Used as a Calculator
- When users put in numeric passcode, it opens to a hidden folder.
- In the folder can be:
 - Pictures
 - Emails
 - Texts



Parenting Children in the Age of Screens

- 71% of parents of a child under 12 say that are at least,
 - Somewhat to Very Concerned that their child spends too much time in front of screens.
 - This survey was taken before COVID-19 outbreak

- Parents are apprehensive about longterm effects of smartphones on children's development (Reading; Writing; Listening; Speaking).
- 71% believe that widespread use of smartphones potentially has more harm than risk.

Types of Systems that Young Children Engage With:

- 80% of parents say their child age 5-11 engages with a tablet computer.
- 63% engages with a smartphone.
 - Under the age of 5 48% engage with a tablet computer and 55% with a smartphone.
- 36% of parents state their child 11 or younger interacts with voice-activated assistants (Apple's Siri or Amazon Alexa

















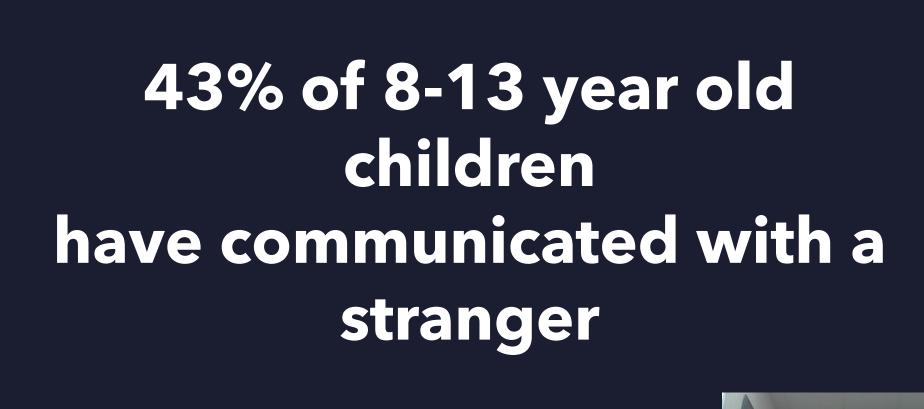


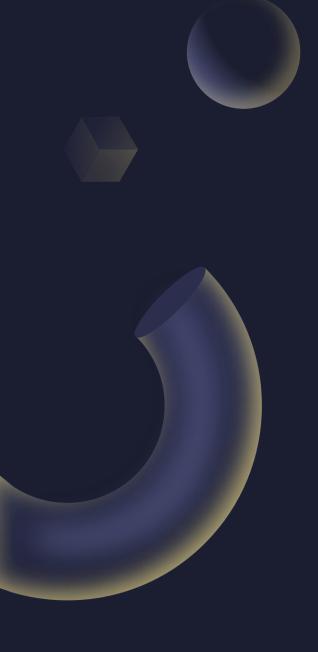
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13 years or older







"Friends" and "Followers"

Before Social Media: Conversations with students about being approached by strangers. With Social Media:
Conversations with
children about being
approached by a
"friend" "follower" on
social med

Some Social Media Platforms do not have parental monitoring options (i.e. Discord)



Facebook Papers



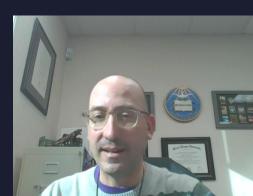
Facebook Papers Facts

- 32% of teen girls said that when they felt bad about their bodies, Instagram made them feel worse.
- 14% of boys said that Instagram made them feel worse about themselves.
- 40% of Instagram's users (over 400 million users) are 22 or younger.

Pre-Teen/Teenage anxiety, suicidal ideation, and mental health needs have risen prior to COVID.



Of pre-teens have access to a smartphone





Of young adults (18-24) have been harassed and/or bullied online



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Social Media Platform usage has doubled in the past 18 months to 3 hours per day for pre-teens; 8 hopes per day for 13-18 year olds.



Bohn Elementary is not unlike other sites ...



What Can You Do As Parents?



Some Ideas ...

- 1) Social Media-less times & Distraction free nights
- 2) Have conversation
 - -Friends
 - -Appropriate Conversations
- 3) Check on your children's use of social media sites
- 4) Be the example



