



**Blue Ridge Community Unit School District #18**

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Dear Parent/Guardian:

We have had a few reports within the last day of a resurfacing social media and internet presence known as the "Momo Challenge". This is an avatar that is resurfacing to the internet in popular programs like Youtube, Facebook, and Fortnite. These embedded videos share disturbing content with students related to self-harm and other dangerous acts, while also telling viewers to not share these ideas with their parents or something bad will happen to them.

We have asked our teachers to be especially alert to students using technology in the morning, during recess/breaks, and after school. Please consider discussing appropriate use of technology and social media with your child. Following is a link to advice on keeping your child safe while using technology:

<https://www.parenting.com/gallery/social-media-monitoring-kids?page=0>

Please let us know if you become aware of any further concerns or issues. We greatly appreciate your help in addressing this serious concern.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Susan E. Wilson  
Superintendent