

St. Genevieve Parish Schools

January 24, 2023

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Last week in a private chat group set up by students, one student posted a pornographic video. This information is not only to inform you, but to strengthen our partnership with you as co-educators.

Key Information

- The video did not feature any students at our school.
- Some students objected to the posting.
- Some students did not object; in fact, one student referred to those objecting as “snitches.”
- We have taken disciplinary measures regarding the student who posted.

Additionally, since this incident involves pornography, we have consulted the Archdiocese of Los Angeles and have reported the incident to LAPD.

Parent/Student Conversation

As appropriate to your child’s age, please have a conversation regarding:

- When to speak up regarding a peer’s behavior
- When to report to adults at school
- What’s appropriate to post

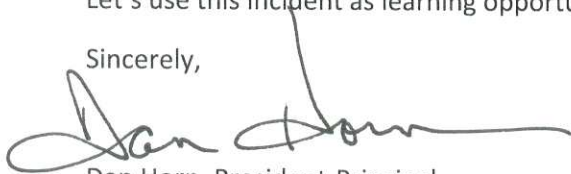
Pornography is easily accessible to anyone with a smart phone. Photos and videos taken on a smart phone can be sent and viewed by people worldwide in an instant.

Parent Tips

- Please monitor your child’s phone regularly including the apps they are using.
 - Texting, What’s App, Instagram, Tiktok & Snapchat
- Talk to your provider about the option to power down the phone at a prescribed hour.
- Most misuse of phones takes place after parents have gone to bed.

Thank you in advance for the conversations you will have with your children regarding these matters. Let’s use this incident as learning opportunity.

Sincerely,



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