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- Kane County Connects -U-46 School District Joins Nationwide Lawsuit Against Social Media Companies

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Kids and Social Media

U-46 Elgin Area School district is joining a nationwide lawsuit against several social media companies that alleges the platforms have harmed the mental health of children.

The U-46 school board voted to approve a resolution on Monday September 11, 2023 that accuses social media of increasing the risk for anxiety, depression and suicidal tendencies among students.

Read the resolution below:

WHEREAS, in recent years the proliferation of and widespread access to and use of social media among public school students has expanded dramatically, leading to significant risks of anxiety, depression, thoughts of self-harm, and suicidal ideation among students;

WHEREAS, students attending Elgin School District U-46 (the "District") have been part of this phenomenon by engaging with social media in school and on school grounds

in addition to outside of school;

WHEREAS, the District's students' widespread adoption, consumption, and use of social media has caused the District to incur costs in the form of staff time, disciplinary proceedings, emotional and social counseling, medical services, and other costs, with the expectation that these costs will only increase unless and until student use of social media is reduced or the social media platforms reform their practices in attracting students;

WHEREAS, the District has become aware of litigation against Meta Platforms, Inc. Facebook Holdings LLC, Snap Inc, TikTok Inc., Alphabet Inc. and other parties responsible for the creation, design, marketing, and proliferation of social media platforms, with this litigation now involving more than 335 U.S. public school districts across more than 11 states and being led by the Frantz Law Group, APLC of California; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education (the "Board") of the District has determined that it is necessary, advantageous, desirable, and in the public interest and the best interests of the District that it participate in this litigation by filing a lawsuit seeking monetary and non-monetary damages against the above-referenced social media companies and other parties responsible for the harm caused by social media platforms by approving the Attorney Client Fee Contract with Frantz Law Group, APLC (the "Contract"), attached as <u>Exhibit A</u>, with the law firm of Franczek P.C. acting as local co-counsel for the District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of Elgin School District U-46, Kane, Cook and DuPage Counties, Illinois, as follows:

- 1. The Board finds that all of the recitals contained above are true and correct, and that the same are hereby incorporated herein by reference.
- 2. The Board authorizes the filing of a lawsuit against Meta Platforms, Inc. Facebook Holdings LLC, Snap Inc, TikTok Inc., Alphabet Inc. and other parties consistent with the recitals set forth above.
- 3. The Contract is hereby approved in substantially the form reviewed by the Board and attached as <u>Exhibit A</u>, together with such minor modifications as are deemed necessary by the Board's attorneys and administrators to protect the best interests of the District.
- 4. The President and Secretary are hereby authorized to sign and enter into the Contract on behalf of the District.
- 5. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect upon its adoption.

- The Beacon News -

Rick Armstrong's Aurora-Elgin area girls volleyball rankings and player of the week

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St. Charles North's Katherine Scherer (24) slams down a kill against Batavia during a DuKane Conference match in St. Charles on Tuesday, Sept. 12, 2023. (H. Rick Bamman/The Beacon-News)

Aurora Christian and Hampshire join rankings topped by St. Charles North. Maryland recruit Katherine Scherer is the player of the week.

Top 10

With records through Tuesday and previous rankings in parentheses.

1. St. Charles North 9-2 (1)

Sophomore Mia McCall sets pace for North Stars in back-to-back, two-game sweeps. 2. Metea Valley 12-3 (2)

Possible showdown? Mustangs join St. Charles North at Wheaton Warrenville South tourney.

3. Oswego 8-0 (3)

Panthers' winning streak at eight straight with just three matches over 16-day stretch. 4. Geneva 8-3 (9)

Lillian Hallahan notches nine kills and 10 digs to power Vikings past DeKalb.

5. Newark 11-1 (8)

Molly Chapman puts down seven kills in 25-10, 25-19 win over Indian Creek.

6. Kaneland 6-4 (4)

Two points separate Knights in tough 25-21, 21-25, 25-23 loss to Ottawa.

7. Aurora Christian 10-3 (NR)

They've got hope. Sophomore outside hitter Hope Wagner leads Eagles with 100 kills. 8. Aurora Central Catholic 8-5 (10)

Smooth operators Karan Bohr, Mary Grace Czerak lift Chargers past Bartlett, West Aurora.

9. Hampshire 10-6 (NR)

Sophomores Elizabeth King and Katelyn Pettersen lead with 125 and 85 kills, respectively.

10. <mark>Bartlett</mark> 10-7 (7)

Hawks split six matches in busy week that includes 2-2 effort at West Chicago tourney.

Player of the Week

St. Charles North's Katherine Scherer, a Maryland recruit and 6-foot-3 senior outside hitter, puts up 12 kills, three blocks, seven digs and 18 serve receives with one error in two-game wins over Naperville Central and Batavia.

- Daily Southtown -

Local scores for the Southland, Aurora, Elgin, Naperville and Lake County

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Shepard's Filip Zawodniak sends a pas up the field against Stagg during a nonconference game in Palos Hills on Wednesday, Sept. 13, 2023. (Vincent D. Johnson/Daily Southtown)

Results and highlights of high schools and local colleges from the Southland and Aurora, Elgin, Naperville and Lake County coverage areas.

FOOTBALL HIGH SCHOOLS WEEK 4 FRIDAY'S GAMES CCL/ESCC BLUE St. Rita at Mount Carmel, 7:30 p.m. CCL/ESCC GREEN Marist at St. Ignatius, 7:30 p.m. Niles Notre Dame vs. Joliet Catholic at Joliet Memorial Stadium, 7:30 p.m.

CCL/ESCC PURPLE Carmel at Marmion, 7:30 p.m.

CCL/ESCC RED Leo at DePaul Prep, 7 p.m. Marian Catholic at De La Salle, 7:30 p.m.

CCL/ESCC WHITE Benet at Montini Catholic, 7:30 p.m. Providence at St. Laurence, 7:30 p.m.

CHICAGOLAND CHRISTIAN Aurora Christian at St. Edward, 7 p.m. Chicago Christian at Marian Central Catholic, 7 p.m.

DUKANE Batavia at St. Charles North, 7 p.m. Lake Park at Geneva, 7 p.m. Wheaton North at St. Charles East, 7 p.m.

DUPAGE VALLEY DeKalb at Metea Valley, 7 p.m. Naperville Central at Waubonsie Valley, 7 p.m. Neuqua Valley at Naperville North, 7 p.m.

FOX VALLEY Cary-Grove at Jacobs, 7 p.m. Crystal Lake South at Hampshire, 7 p.m. Dundee-Crown at McHenry, 7 p.m.

KISHWAUKEE RIVER/INTERSTATE EIGHT RED Sandwich at Richmond-Burton, 7 p.m.

KISHWAUKEE RIVER/INTERSTATE EIGHT WHITE Kaneland at Woodstock, 7 p.m.

NORTH SUBURBAN Lake Zurich at Zion-Benton, 7 p.m. SOUTH SUBURBAN BLUE Lemont at Tinley Park, 7 p.m. Oak Forest at Hillcrest, 6 p.m.

SOUTH SUBURBAN RED Argo at Reavis, 7 p.m. Eisenhower at Shepard, 7 p.m. Richards at Oak Lawn, 7 p.m.

SOUTHLAND Bloom at Thornridge, 6 p.m. Crete-Monee at Thornwood, 6 p.m. Thornton vs. Rich Township at Rich South, 6 p.m.

SOUTHWEST SUBURBAN BLUE Bolingbrook at Homewood-Flossmoor, 7:30 p.m. Lockport at Sandburg, 7:30 p.m.

SOUTHWEST SUBURBAN RED Lincoln-Way West at Lincoln-Way Central, 7 p.m. Stagg at Andrew, 6 p.m.

UPSTATE EIGHT East Aurora at Glenbard East, 7 p.m. Elgin at Bartlett, 7:30 p.m. South Elgin at Larkin, 7 p.m. Streamwood at Glenbard South, 7 p.m.

NONCONFERENCE Academy of Science (Wis.) at Aurora Central Catholic, 6 p.m. Bradley-Bourbonnais at Lincoln-Way East, 7 p.m. Bremen at Evergreen Park, 7 p.m. Oswego at Joliet Central, 6:30 p.m. Oswego East at Plainfield South, 7 p.m. Plano at LaSalle-Peru, 7 p.m. West Aurora at Plainfield East, 7 p.m. Yorkville at Plainfield Central, 7 p.m.

SATURDAY'S GAMES CCL/ESCC BLUE Brother Rice at Loyola, 1:30 p.m. FOX VALLEY Burlington Central at Crystal Lake Central, 1 p.m.

SOUTH SUBURBAN BLUE T.F. South at T.F. North, noon.

WEDNESDAY'S RESULTS HIGH SCHOOLS **BOYS SOCCER** Beecher 4, Manteno o Benet 1, Marist 0 Larkin 9, Glenbard South 0 Romeoville 2, Yorkville 1 Shepard 1, Stagg 1 Shepard (7-5-1): Chris Fernandez goal. Stagg (4-3-1): Piotr Zawislan goal. Somonauk 5, Earlville 0 South Elgin 4, Fenton 1 South Elgin (4-4-2, 1-0-1 Upstate Eight): Ashton Kerrigan 3 goals. Thornton co-op 5, Crete-Mone o PLAINFIELD CLASSIC Lincoln-Way East 5, Plainfield South 1 Lincoln-Way East (3-6): Michael Lee goal. Dennis Apraku goal. Lincoln-Way West o, Waubonsie Valley o Oswego 3, Wheaton North 1 Oswego East 5, Sandburg 3 Bolingbrook 2, East Aurora 0

STREAMWOOD FALL CLASSIC

York 4, St. Charles North 2

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL Lake Zurich d. Zion-Benton 25-19, 25-12 Libertyville d. Lake Forest 25-18, 25-15 Libertyville (12-4, 4-0 North Suburban): Hannah Fleming 10 kills, 6 digs. Jaimie Marquardt 20 assists. Milford d. Beecher 25-21, 25-12 Mundelein d. Waukegan 25-7, 25-15 Plano d. Harvard 25-12, 25-16 Rockford Auburn d. Larkin 25-11, 25-15 St. Laurence d. Hinsdale South 26-24, 25-18 Warren d. Stevenson 25-20, 25-22 Stevenson (16-4, 1-1 North Suburban): Mija Jegers 12 kills, 9 digs, 2 aces. Kyra Costabile 18 assists. Woodstock North d. Sandwich 25-8, 25-23

WHEATON CLASSIC **Pool Play** Lincoln-Way East d. St. Charles North 18-25, 26-24, 25-19 Lincoln-Way East d. Wheaton North 25-16, 25-21 Lincoln-Way East (5-5): Tamia Maddox 19 kills. Maggie Simon 36 assists. Marist d. Geneva 25-22, 25-9 Marist d. Neuqua Valley 25-14, 25-16 Marist (12-0): Juliana Valdez 12 kills, 7 blocks. Francesca LaCoco 27 assists. Briana Hill 15 digs. Sandburg d. Oak Park-River Forest 25-19, 14-25, 25-17 Sandburg d. Waubonsie Valley 25-10, 25-19 Sandburg (8-5): Madi Mulhausen 18 kills, 16 digs. Maya Rihani 33 assists. Reilly Chausse 28 digs, 5 aces. Loyola d. Yorkville 25-18, 25-20 Wheaton Warrenville South d. Yorkville 25-18, 25-15

TUESDAY'S RESULTS

HIGH SCHOOLS **BOYS SOCCER** Antioch 1, Richmond-Burton 0 Antioch (4-5): Matthew Miller goal. Beecher 8, Illinois Lutheran o Bloom 6, Crete-Monee 1 Bloom (9-1, 1-0 Southland): Omar Ortiz 2 goals. Bremen 4, Richards o Bremen (4-5, 2-3 SSC Blue): Sinuhe Meza goal. Alex Esparza goal. Brother Rice 2, St. Ignatius 1 Brother Rice (5-2-1, 2-0 CCL Blue): Cristian Morales goal. Bruce Harris goal. Burlington Central 2, Cary-Grove 1 Burlington Central (6-0-2, 2-0 Fox Valley): Maximus Salas goal. Daniel Nava goal. Carmel 2, Grant 0 De La Salle 8, Aurora Central Catholic 1 De La Salle: Agustin Ortega 2 goals. Fidel Orozco 2 goals. Antonio Als 2 goals. Evanston 5, Deerfield o Grayslake Central 1, Grayslake North 0 Hampshire 3, McHenry 1 Highland Park 1, Maine West 1

IC Catholic 4, St. Rita 2 Kankakee 7, Rich Township 0 Lake Forest 3, Libertyville 2 Lake Zurich 1, Zion-Benton 1 Lemont 7, Evergreen Park 1 Lisle 7, Joliet Catholic o Marmion 3, St. Laurence 3 St. Laurence (6-3-1, 0-0-1 CCL Blue): Frankie Martinez goal. Clark Herrera goal. Johnny Esparza goal. Mount Carmel 3, Fenwick 3 Mundelein 2, Waukegan 1 Mundelein (3-4-3, 1-1 North Suburban): Frankie Jimenez goal, assist. Kaiden Mata goal, assist. Waukegan (2-4-2, 0-1): Ezekiel Maya goal. Naperville Central 4, Neuqua Valley 1 Naperville Central (5-3-2, 2-0 DuPage Valley): Eli Jarrell 3 goals. Naperville North 6, DeKalb o Naperville North (8-1, 2-0 DuPage Valley): Jaxon Stokes 3 goals. Noah Radeke 2 goals, 2 assists. Oak Lawn 1, Argo 0 Oak Lawn (6-2-1, 2-0-1 SSC Red): Dylan Walsh goal. Oswego 8, Yorkville 2 Plano 2, Coal City 0 Prairie Ridge 4, Jacobs 1 Jacobs: Alex Schaefer goal. Providence 9, Montini Catholic 2 Romeoville 3, Oswego East o Shepard 4, Tinley Park 1 Shepard (7-5, 2-1 SSC Red): Michael Rantisi 2 goals. Stevenson 2, Warren o T.F. United 2, Oak Forest 0 T.F. United (7-2-1, 2-0-1 SSC Blue): Giovanni Melgoza goal, assist. Vernon Hills 2, Niles West 1 Westminster Christian 7, Mooseheart 0 Wheaton Academy 2, Chicago Christian o

AURORA CUP Metea Valley 2, Waubonsie Valley 1

STREAMWOOD FALL CLASSIC

Elgin 4, Riverside-Brookfield 0

St. Charles East 3, Crystal Lake Central o
St. Charles East (7-2): Garrett Melton 2 goals.
Leyden 3, Dundee-Crown 2
Dundee-Crown (7-3): Hugo Arista goal. Sebastian Sanchez goal.
Streamwood 0, Oak Park-River Forest 0

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL Aurora Christian d. Hope Academy 25-9, 25-6 Bartlett d. East Aurora 25-12, 25-16 Beecher d. St. Anne 25-14, 25-15 Benet d. St. Viator 25-16, 25-12 Benet (10-1, 2-0 ESCC): Ava Novak 7 kills. Elle Stiernagle 19 assists. Chicago Christian d. Marian Central Catholic 26-24, 25-21 Clifton Central d. Illinois Lutheran 26-24, 25-16 Illinois Lutheran (5-8, 3-2 River Valley): Emma Nagle 12 assists, 8 digs, 5 aces. Crystal Lake Central d. Jacobs 25-23, 25-23 Jacobs (6-6, 4-3 Fox Valley): Ali Pierre 5 kills, 8 blocks, 6 digs. Abby Deacon 10 assists, 15 digs. De La Salle d. Aurora Central Catholic 23-25, 25-21, 25-21 De La Salle (10-0, 1-0 GCAC White): Jen Falk 14 kills, 4 aces. Geneva d. Lake Park 25-21, 25-17 Geneva (8-3, 1-1 DuKane): Sam Vanda 7 kills, 9 digs. Glenbard South d. Larkin 25-15, 25-15 Glenbrook South d. Deerfield 25-10, 25-13 Hampshire d. Dundee-Crown 26-24, 25-23 Harvest Christian d. Rockford Christian Life 25-17, 25-8 Hiawatha d. IMSA 25-17, 25-22 Indian Creek d. Earlville 29-27, 25-20 Joliet Central d. Rich Township 25-18, 25-19 Joliet West d. Lincoln-Way West 25-16, 18-25, 29-27 Lincoln-Way West (10-4): Caroline Smith 16 kills. Ellie Decker 11 kills. Ashley Miller 33 assists. Lakes d. Waukegan 25-8, 25-7 Lemont d. T.F. North 25-8, 25-19 Lemont (12-3, 4-0 SSC Blue): Keira O'Donnell 10 kills, 8 digs. April Rice 8 kills. Lockport d. Plainfield Central 25-19, 25-20 Lockport (12-4): Kyla Mitchell 8 kills. Lainey Green 20 assists. Marian Catholic d. Carmel 25-23, 25-19 Marian: Zia Miller 17 assists. Brooklyn Holmes 14 digs. Marist d. Joliet Catholic 25-14, 25-15 Mother McAuley d. St. Laurence 25-14, 25-15 McAuley: Ellie White 13 kills, 11 digs. Peyton Heatherly 27 assists. Samantha Falk 21

digs.

Mundelein d. Grayslake North 25-15, 25-12 Naperville North d. West Aurora 25-16, 23-25, 25-21 Niles North d. Highland Park 25-15, 25-15 Oak Forest d. Hillcrest 25-4, 25-10 Oak Lawn d. Argo 25-11, 25-15 Oak Lawn (11-1, 3-1 SSC Red): Sinead Conroy 6 kills. Kaitlyn Berkery 5 kills, 6 digs, 5 aces. Kasey Thompson 20 assists, 3 aces. Plano d. Hinckley-Big Rock 25-20, 25-21 Prairie Ridge d. Burlington Central 25-23, 25-13 Providence d. Resurrection 25-15, 25-20 Reavis d. T.F. South 25-15, 20-25, 25-13 Richards d. Evergreen Park 25-17, 25-19 Rosary d. DePaul Prep 25-23, 26-28, 28-26 Rosary: Clare McEniry 15 kills, 15 digs. Molly Lambert 28 assists. St. Charles East d. Wheaton North 25-15, 17-25, 25-22 St. Charles North d. Batavia 25-14, 25-17 Shepard d. Eisenhower 25-11, 25-6 South Elgin d. Fenton 25-10, 25-20 Westminster Christian d. Mooseheart 13-25, 25-16, 26-24 Westminster Christian (3-2, 1-0 Northeastern Athletics): Olivia Harnek 7 kills. Michelle Anderson 5 kills, 7 aces.

NEWS AND NOTES

Aurora's Jhe'Quay Chretin (offense) and Matthew Hylek (special teams) were named players of the week in the NACC.