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DON'T WAIT to UnMake the Mediasphere is a highly engaging program where students learn essential media literacy skills while being actively involved in the creative filmmaking process. Mr. Mike has developed a series of activities that encourage students to think critically about what they are viewing and reading. He helps them distinguish between legitimate and fraudulent sources of information online and gives students strategies to successfully navigate the increasingly complex world of social media.

The program runs seamlessly. From the first Zoom session to the last, students were excited to be a part of this program. They practiced filmmaking techniques on their own, uploading their work via Google Classroom. For the final piece, students worked individually, or set up Zoom sessions with classmates, to film the various parts or create sound and visual effects. As an instructor, Mike is warm, caring and knowledgeable. I knew this program was a big hit after just two sessions when one of the students, on her own initiative, created a short film using all of the techniques Mr. Mike had taught her.

I believe that DON'T WAIT to UnMake the Mediasphere is an important experience for students as it teachers them how to become astute consumers of media and builds their skills as critical and creative thinkers.

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