

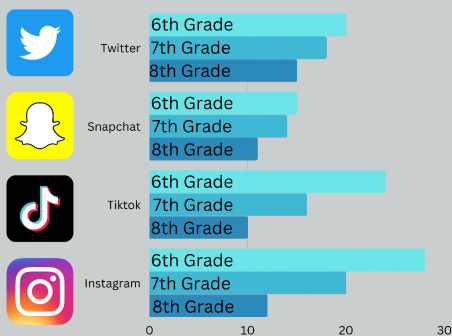
BLUE SKIES & MIDNIGHTS

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The new Taylor Swift Album, *Midnights*, is taking the Mesa Bears by storm. The 13 song album was released on October 21, 2022. The beloved artist created a brand new album that is fresh and creative. It's exactly what every kid needs. Some of her top songs on the album include, *Anti-hero*, *Lavender Haze*, *Snow On The Beach*, *Karma*, *Mastermind And You're On Your Own Kid*. Studies show that when students listen to music it stimulates the brain and helps the student think properly. "Taylor Swift is one of my favorite artists" Vidya Sengupta (8th Sun) Says. "She inspires me, I love how she expresses herself through her songs" says Isabella Larussa (8th Sun). We all love listening to music it has so many genres there is something for everyone

One of the most popular ways to listen to music is with airpods or wireless earbuds. Whether you are listening with airpods, headphones or through a speaker, we almost all enjoy listening to music. Taylor Swift is not the only artist to come out with a new album, many new artists came out with songs this year. Mesa Bears love to listen to music, and even say that listening to music boosts their self esteem and makes them feel better about themselves. This year, artists like Kendrick Lamar came out with *Mr. Morale and the Weekend* and *Dawn FM*, and Many other artists.

KEEPING IN TOUCH



Social media has become more and more popular. Elle smith says "I like using social media because it allows me to connect with my friends outside of school in different ways." Over the years Social Media has opened up our options for communicating with others anytime and anywhere.

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A BRIEF SOCIAL HISTORY

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July 2006
Twitter

Oct. 2010
Instagram

July 2011
Snapchat
(Originally Picaboo)

Sep. 2016
TikTok
(Originally Musical.ly)

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