**Script for Video Essay**

There’s always been the debate whether social media is more helpful or detrimental to our society. Is Social media ruining our society by isolating people from human interactions? or Is social media benefiting society by connecting with others via digital interactions? Well for my opinion, I believe that social media is more helpful to society rather than detrimental.

Social Media allows news channels to report news alerts on their social media for fast and easy access to the news. Being that more people use social media to view content, they’ll be more aware of certain events that happened on the news. Social media also allows organizers to promote and spread awareness to the public, such as spreading awareness of the dangers of global warming, political issues, Mental health awareness, or other world issues. Social media also allows us to contact friends and family members worldwide, creating connections that would seem impossible without social media. On a different note, if a natural disaster were to ever occur, social media would be the ideal source to deliver messages asking for support. The uses of hashtags also allow users to locate related stories and show their support to those who were affected by the disaster.

Social media isn’t just about drama and controversy. It has plenty of helpful uses that could benefit society, when news need attention and creators need supporters, social media is the way to go if they want to gain a mass amount of readers. I hope this video has helped you understand how social media can be more than just a socializing program.

Reflection: During the debate on whether social media was good or bad, I did research on the detriments of social media towards the average person being that I was on the side of social media does harm. As I was doing research, I noticed that most of the points that give social media a bad name is people who would spend over 9 hours on social media, an average person would usually spend around 2 hours max. I saw that social media could be used for more beneficial uses like tuning into news, contacting family and friends and spreading awareness of worldwide problems. I wanted to tell people how social media could help our society become a more accessible and freer to the public. Though social media does have its faults, if used in moderation, social media shows more benefit than detriment.

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