Using Facebook: A quick guide for Auburn parents

1: Timeline

Your timeline is essentially your personal profile, which can include anything from a profile picture, a list of personal likes and an outline of employment history. You can fill out as much or as little information on your timeline.

2: Friends

After you’ve completed your personal profile, you can start searching for friends. Find them by typing names in the search box that appears at the top of the site. Facebook will also suggest friends to add.

3: News Feed

Once you’ve logged on to Facebook, the first thing you’ll see is the news feed. There you will find friends’ status updates, new photos, links to articles, etc. Here’s an example.

4: Status Update

A status update is anything you deem shareable with Facebook friends.

5: “Like” Button

Clicking the “Like” button communicates your support of activities, brands, articles and products to fellow users when you like a status update, photo, comment, timeline, app or ad.

6: “Share” Button

Clicking the “Share” button allows you to share posts others might find interesting. Things you share will appear as posts on your timeline and news feed.

7: Pages

Facebook pages allow you to connect with organizations, businesses and brands. When you become a “fan” of a brand, band or organization, that information is posted on your wall.

5: Privacy

Under Facebook’s “Privacy Settings” you have the option of choosing who can view your posts and who can search for your profile. You can find this tool in the top right of your screen.