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NEWS RELEASE:

Student Groups Screen Documentary & Host Talkback Highlighting Sexual Assault

[PITTSBURG, KANS. – April 3, 2017] – Students for Violence Prevention (SVP) in coordination with Safehouse Crisis Center, the Tilford Group, Student Alliance for Gender Equality, and Gorillas in Your Midst present are hosting a screening of the urgent real-life drama, *Audrie & Daisy*, including a talkback panel with SafeBAE speakers featured in the documentary.

Audrie & Daisy is an urgent real-life drama that examines the ripple effects on families, friends, schools and communities when two underage young women find that sexual assault crimes against them have been caught on camera. From acclaimed filmmakers Bonni Cohen and Jon Shenk (*The Island President*, *The Rape of Europa*), *Audrie & Daisy* — which made its world premiere at the 2016 Sundance Film Festival — takes a hard look at American’s teenagers who are coming of age in this new world of social media bullying, spun wildly out of control.

Jada Smith, Ella Fairon, and Charlie Coleman, co-founders of SafeBAE, will be featured on the talkback panel. Jada Smith, is the outspoken survivor who sparked the #JusticeforJada campaign. After Jada’s rape went viral she fought back, appearing on major news outlets, which ignited support from people all over the globe including celebrities such as Willow Smith and Gabrielle Union. Jada is still seeking justice and continues to advocate for sexual assault and cyber bullying prevention.

Ella Fairon took back her voice after her assault, and began to advocate for herself and other survivors of sexual violence. Ella founded the student group Buttervly, at her high school and led awareness projects and organized a Powder Puff Game called “Tackling Rape Culture”.

Charlie Coleman is known for his impactful contribution the acclaimed film *Audrie & Daisy*. He shows his incredible voice as both a brother of a survivor, an ally, a coach, and a mentor to young athletes. His previous experience speaking at schools has led him to want to reach as many young athletes as possible.

SafeBAE is a student-focused, survivor-driven campaign whose mission is to raise awareness about sexual assault in middle and high schools and student’s rights under Title IX. SafeBAE focuses on preventing dating violence and sexual assault by giving students the tools to change peer culture, end harassing re-victimization, and advocate for consent and safe relationship education.

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