



Gloucester Township Public Schools

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Dear GTPS Staff and Families:

I am writing to you today on behalf of our school principals who have brought to my attention a disturbing, new trend that has emerged on TikTok, the popular video-sharing social network service, aimed at school-aged children. The trend encourages students to engage in, record videos, and post these behaviors as "challenges" which are dangerous, destructive, and in some cases, criminal in nature.

TIKTOK'S SCHOOL CHALLENGES LIST REVEALED

According to a list that's circling TikTok and Twitter right now, these are the planned challenges for the rest of the school year.

- September: Vandalize school bathrooms
- October: Smack a staff member
- November: Kiss your friend's girlfriend at school
- December: Deck the halls and show your balls
- January: Jab a breast
- February: Mess up school signs
- March: Make a mess in the courtyard or cafeteria
- April: "Grab some eggz" (another stealing challenge)
- May: Ditch day
- June: Flip off in the front office
- July: Spray a neighbor's fence

We want nothing more than for our students and staff to take pride in their schools and show respect for their learning environments. Negative behaviors such as theft, vandalism, and assault will not be tolerated in our schools and is placing undue stress on our students and school staff who work diligently to ensure our buildings are clean and safe.

We are sharing this information with all Gloucester Township families in an effort to be proactive and engage your children in important conversations about the kind of school we want to attend and the character we want all of our students to exhibit. It is important that our students understand any participation in these actions will not be tolerated in school nor by law enforcement. We will do our part, throughout our schools, to clearly communicate to all students that these actions will have immediate and potentially long-term ramifications.

We appreciate your assistance in reinforcing the seriousness of this message and are hopeful that you will unite with school officials to prevent our children from becoming prey to this negative behavior. I sincerely thank you for the outstanding efforts you perform each day in your monumental job as parents to our great students.

Respectfully,



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