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URGENT ANNOUNCEMENT

Viral TikTok Challenge Affecting Schools Across the Nation

October 4, 2021

Dear OMSD Students & Families,

I am certain some of you may have already heard about a TikTok challenge that has been going viral and is affecting school campuses across the nation. This challenge is called "Devious Licks." The purpose of these challenges are to steal or vandalize items from campuses, particularly bathrooms, without getting caught and posting photos or videos online. Stolen objects range from working towel dispensers to signs and, even more concerning, fire alarms. While TikTok is in the process of removing like videos and redirecting hashtags, the wave of students participating in this "challenge" still continues. These violations or anything similar to this are subject to disciplinary action and may be subject to legal guardians and parents paying damages, replacement, and/or restoration due to property damages. Some of these challenges may also carry legal implications.

We are reaching out to you for support and to remind our families of our "See Something, Hear Something, Say Something" campaign efforts. OMSD encourages a positive school culture and we need all of our community's support in these efforts. We ask that if your student(s) sees something or hears something, they say something. We have multiple ways for students and/or parents to report these types of violations anonymously. One way is to submit an anonymous report through the WeTip hotline link at https://www.wetip.com/ or OMSD's anonymous Tip Line at www.omsd.net, or you may call the District's main line (909)459-2500. You are also welcome to reach out to your school and make a report.

We appreciate your support in this matter. If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to get in touch with your site administrator.

Thank you, Dr. James Q. Hammond, Ed.D. Superintendent