



From the Office of School Safety

Dear School District of Philadelphia Community:

We value creating a safe and nurturing environment for our students, so we are reaching out to ask for your support. Recently, there have been “challenges” circulating on TikTok and other social media platforms encouraging students to commit incidents of theft and vandalism at schools. We ask that our families speak to their children about the importance of making positive choices, the dangers of participating in current social media trends and challenges, and how these temporary fads can ultimately impact their future.

Please know that any damage and/or theft that occurs on school property may be reported to the Philadelphia Police Department (PPD), and students responsible for theft or damage to our school property will face consequences.

If you or your child(ren) know of any students who may be participating in this challenge, please use some of the resources we have available to keep our students safe. Individuals can call the Office of School Safety Radio Dispatch at 215-400-6000, or submit an anonymous tip through Safe2Say Something, a youth violence prevention program run by the Pennsylvania Office of Attorney General. Tips can be submitted through the website, www.safe2saypa.org or by calling Safe2Say at 1-844-723-2729.

We thank you for your assistance in continuing to create a safe and nurturing environment for all our students.

Sincerely,

Kevin Bethel
Chief of School Safety