



Chesaning Union Schools

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Dear Chesaning Schools Parents,

I am writing to inform you of a disturbing new TikTok trend that has been spreading across the nation. These posts typically feature an AI-generated "Cat in the Hat" video listing students' names or pictures alongside messages such as "you're next" or "you will be paid a visit."

County law enforcement authorities have informed us that one such post involving Chesaning Middle School has been reported. Law enforcement officials are assessing the video with assistance from Chesaning Schools administration and are working to determine if there is probable cause to obtain a warrant to secure the account creator's identity from TikTok. In this particular case law enforcement does not believe a specific or viable threat exists.

Please closely monitor your child's social media accounts and immediately inform your child's building principal or law enforcement officials if you have any information regarding this or any other potentially threatening content. Any content created or reposted by a student that serves to disrupt the normal operation of the school or serves to frighten or threaten students or staff will be dealt with in accordance with school discipline policies and may result in consequences up to and including expulsion. Law enforcement officials have informed me that any individual making or perpetuating a threat will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.

The safety and security of our students and staff remain our highest priority. Thank you for working with us to maintain a safe environment for everyone.

Sincerely,

Michael McGough, Supt.

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