

Lewiston-Porter Central School District

Our Purpose, Your Pathway, Our Promise.

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Director of Curriculum, Instruction, Technology & Data

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Dear Lewiston-Porter Families,

Thank you for your support and flexibility as we begin to wrap up the school year. We have worked smart, safe, and hard to create an environment for learning that allows students to learn, grow, and fully engage in school each day.

We want to make you aware of a trend currently circulating on social media platforms, particularly TikTok, that has recently impacted schools across the country. This trend, known as the "Chromebook Challenge," encourages students to insert metal objects-such as paper clips, mechanical pencil leads, or push pins-into the charging or USB ports of school-issued Chromebooks. The intention is to short-circuit the device, which can result in electrical sparks, smoke, or even fire. Many districts in Niagara County have had issues with this challenge and Lewiston-Porter is communicating this concern to stay ahead of the issue.

Damaging school property with potential risk of causing unsafe conditions, engaging in physical aggression, and posting this disruptive behavior on Tik Tok or other social media platforms not only impacts the safety of our buildings but also impacts the school budget and operations. These behaviors will not be tolerated.

Please help us by sharing these concerns with your child(ren) and understand that anyone that attempts to or acts in a way that damages, breaks, or vandalizes school property, causes unsafe conditions in school or disrupts the educational processes of the school day will be disciplined to the fullest extent as provided in the Code of Conduct.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership with our district.

Sincerely,

Andrea J. Tamarazio Director of Curriculum, Instruction, Technology and Data