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FANNETT METAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Inspiring And Empowering All Learners For Tomorrow's Challenges

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

I hope this message finds you well. We are reaching out to inform you of a concerning trend circulating on TikTok that poses a serious safety risk to students and school property.

Recently, a challenge has emerged in which students are encouraged to insert metal objects, such as coins or paperclips, into the charging ports or electrical components of laptops. This reckless act can cause sparks, short circuits, or even fires, placing not only the students but those nearby in immediate danger.

We want to emphasize the severity of this behavior. Tampering with electronic devices in this way can result in:

- Serious injury or burns
- Damage to school or personal property
- Disciplinary action, including suspension or more serious consequences
- Possible criminal charges for destruction of property or endangerment

We ask that you speak with your child about the dangers of participating in viral online challenges, particularly those that encourage harmful behavior. Please help us reinforce the importance of using technology responsibly and understanding the real-life consequences of unsafe actions.

Our staff is monitoring for any signs of this behavior, and we will respond promptly and firmly to ensure the safety of all students. If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Thank you for your continued partnership in keeping our school community safe.

Sincerely,

Dr. Tara Will Superintendent