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This week, following the Chinese spy balloon saga, I cautioned Florida parents about another potential security risk—China-owned social media company TikTok. My office is actively investigating the popular social media app over its harmful effects on children, engagement techniques and data collection.

As a mom, an American and Florida's Attorney General, I have major concerns about how TikTok may be influencing children and exploiting user data. I have banned the app in my home and at our office.

Many [U.S. universities are banning the use of TikTok](#) on campus. Just last month, [the University of Florida sent a letter to its faculty, staff and students](#), recommending everyone delete TikTok from all mobile devices—citing national security concerns due to the possibility of foreign governments using the app to collect and access user data.

I demanded TikTok [allow parents to monitor their child's social media use](#) through parent controls, and for the company to [take immediate action in raising its age ratings](#) to mature or 17+.

Parents, please consider deleting the app from your children's devices to better protect personal information.

By taking steps to safeguard your family's data, you can help us build a Stronger, Safer Florida.



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