

On May 20, students from Chopticon High School in Morganza, Maryland, allegedly took part in the **nationwide tradition** of senior pranks. The genius idea? Infesting the halls with lots and lots of ladybugs.



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At least one Chopticon student approved of the joke.

Five male students allegedly broke into campus around 3:40 a.m. last Wednesday and set free approximately 72,000 of the insects, according to the [St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office](#). Another two students allegedly waited in the car.



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The sheriff's office said one of the students ordered the ladybugs online, which apparently is a [normal](#)

thing for serious gardeners.



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Four of the pranksters were charged with fourth-degree burglary, property destruction under \$1,000, and disruption of school activities, and were then handed over to their parents. The other three seniors will be charged with criminal summons.