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VMI students use Jodel chat app for racist, sexist attacks on Blacks, women | The Washington Post

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The cadets were angry, venting on an anonymous chat app widely used at the Virginia Military Institute.

The target of their rage: Black cadets and alumni who publicly detailed in a <u>Washington Post</u> story the relentless racism they had encountered at the nation's oldest state-supported military college.

On Jodel — pronounced "Yodel" — the reaction from VMI students was filled with exactly the kind of bigotry that prompted Virginia Gov. Ralph Northam (D) and other state officials to order <u>an independent investigation</u> of VMI's culture last week. On Monday, the school's superintendent, retired Gen. J.H. Binford Peay III, resigned, saying he'd been told by the governor's chief of staff that Northam and other state legislators had "lost confidence in my leadership" and wanted him out.

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