

THE DETENTION CLUB

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Runtime: 70 minutes

SYNOPSIS

When the answers to Ms. Kucey's test are stolen, 8 kids are sent to detention. They have one goal: to find the culprit and save their summer. On the way the group of mismatched kids from different social circles find common ground. Amidst this hijinks-filled mystery, new bonds are forged and life at Shermer elementary school will never be the same.

CHARACTERS

2 adults, 9 children all genders

VERY (8-13 yo): A cinephile and a human IMDB. They are convinced that life is a movie, and they are the main character. If you have a couple minutes, they'll talk your ear off about their next movie concept. Naturally, with this approach, they don't have many friends.

COREY (8-13 yo): Another wannabe main character. They are a loudmouth who knows how to lead a crowd. Harbors a secret and you can't really trust anything they say.

NIKKI (8-13 yo): A successful makeup influencer who is always on the clock. Doesn't stop long enough to realize how lonely it is at the top.

MAX (8-13 yo): Your typical school bully. Best friends with Riley. Has a sensitive side that they don't let show.

RILEY (8-13 yo): A prankster whose goal is to make a viral video and become an influencer. Best friends with Max.

SAM (8-13 yo): A gamer who is a loner IRL but flourishes in the virtual gaming community.

RIVER (8-13 yo): An eco-warrior who talks the talk *and* walks the walk. Due to their propensity for protests, this is not their first time in detention.

CHARLIE (8-13 yo): A stereotypical "jock" who is more serious about sports than any kid ought to be.

LOLLYPOP LUCY/LIAM (6-8 yo) *Featured:* Don't let their cute exterior fool you, they are all business. They know how to play the adults, and are known for their talents of distraction, for the right price of course.

MR./MRS. HUGHES (30s+) *Supporting:* A burned-out teacher who takes on detention duty for extra money, and today was supposed to be their day off. Does have a heart, at least when it comes to kindergarteners.

MS./MR. KUCEY (50s+) *Featured:* A veteran teacher who has seen a lot in their time, and still has a passion for children. They are like the grandparent everyone wishes they had. They're not angry that the test answers were stolen, they're just disappointed. Which is somehow much worse.