

By now you know about the Karmelo Anthony case: he stabbed 17-year-old Austin Metcalf after entering the tent of a rival high school during a track meet; despite being repeatedly asked to leave Anthony refused to do so, and after being shoved stabbed Metcalf to death.

The jury concluded that stabbing someone to death after being shoved is a disproportionate response.

The social media response among black users has amounted to a flood of support for Anthony (obviously not every single black person, but far more than any society should have to tolerate), either in outright support for what he did, or in posts like: "In America a black man can't make a single mistake!"

Crazy, isn't it? In America they don't let you kill a single person without putting you in prison!

And in fact you can make plenty of mistakes in America: according to the Bureau of Justice Statistics, black prisoners often report or have records showing higher average prior arrests (around nine or more in some cohorts compared to whites), and a greater share of newly incarcerated black prisoners have ten or more prior arrests than do whites.

This morning on social media some posts from black people using AI to depict themselves urinating on Metcalf's grave are making the rounds.