

PINE GROVE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

Promoting Growth, Achievement, Success, and Direction for ALL Children!



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Dear Parent/Guardian:

The Pine Grove Area School District is pleased to announce that we will begin using the Raptor Visitor Management System in all of our district schools for the start of the 2018-2019 school year, in an effort to increase student and staff safety. Part of the district's program for campus safety for students and staff is monitoring who is in our buildings at all times and the Raptor system will allow us to do that. The Raptor system will better allow us to track visitors, contractors, and volunteers in our schools and provide us with a safer environment for our students and staff.

Upon entering a district building, visitors will be asked to present a valid state or government issued photo identification card, which will be scanned into the system. It is important to note that the Raptor system only scans the visitor's name, date of birth and photo for cross-referencing with each states database of Registered Sex Offenders (RSO's). Additional visitor data from the driver's license is not gathered, nor is the system connected to any other system, such as the Department of Motor Vehicles. Once entry is approved, the Raptor system will issue a badge that identifies the visitor with the date and purpose of his/her visit. A visitor's badge will not be necessary for those who visit our schools simply to drop off an item in the office or pick up paperwork. If a person does not have identification, the campus administrator on duty will be called to assess the situation. In the event that a visitor is confirmed as a match in an RSO's database, Administration will be alerted and will intervene to address the request to visit the school.

If you are interested in learning more about the Raptor Visitor Management System, please visit the Raptor Technologies website (www.raptortech.com). If you have any questions for the district personnel, please contact the school office.

The safety of our students and staff is our highest priority and the Raptor Visitor Management System will help to ensure the safety of our buildings by monitoring access from all visitors. Therefore, all visitors to the school must be scanned into the system and obtain a visitor badge. Thank you, in advance, for your understanding and support of enhancing school safety protocols in our district.

Sincerely,

Heath W. Renninger

Superintendent