

Safer Entrances & SchoolSafeID System Frequently Asked Questions

Q Have you changed the entrances at the elementary and middle schools?

A Yes. We're adding vestibules (secured glass enclosures) to the main entrance at each elementary and middle school. The high school already has this feature, so no additional construction was necessary.

Q What has changed with respect to entering the schools?

A Parents and visitors will come to the main entrance and push the intercom button to be "buzzed" into the vestibule. They will scan their ID into the SchoolSafeID System, which will conduct a quick background check.

Q What kind of background check does the SchoolSafeID conduct?

A The system conducts a sex offender check.

Q Does everyone entering the vestibule need to be scanned and get a visitor ID badge?

A No. If the individual is not entering the building beyond the vestibule, they do not need to scan their ID.

Q What happens if there is a sex offender match?

A If there is a potential match, the SchoolSafeID kiosk displays a discreet message to the front office indicating the visitor was "flagged."

Q Does a staff member have to be present at the kiosk?

A No. The SchoolSafeID kiosk is typically used as a self-service kiosk.

Q How long is the sign-in/out process?

A The average sign-in/out process takes 10 seconds or less.

Q What if the visitor does not have an ID?

A If a visitor does not have an ID, a school staff member can manually enter the visitor's information into the system.

Q Does the system take a photograph of the visitor?

A Yes, the system takes a photo to keep it on record and to print the visitor's badge. The SchoolSafeID kiosk has a built-in webcam that captures the visitor's image.

Q Can visitors get a digital visitor's badge?

A Yes, when the visitor scans their ID, they can get a digital visitor's badge to use when signing in during future visits to the school.

Q Do visitors need their Social Security number?

A No. A visitor's Social Security number or card is not needed to run a sex offender check.