

August 5, 2016

Dear Parent/Guardian:

The Putnam County School District is pleased to announce that we will begin using a visitor management system (Raptor) in all of our schools at the start of the 2016-2017 school year. The system will better allow us to track visitors, contractors, volunteers, student check-in/out, and provide us with a safer, more monitored environment for our students and staff.

Upon entering the building, you will be asked to present a valid state-issued ID, which will be scanned into the system. Upon reading the information, Raptor will check the national database to identify sexual offenders. It is important to note that the Raptor system only scans the name, date of birth and photo for comparison with a national database of registered sex offenders. Additional 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. Therefore any other information connected to the driver's license is not part of the system and is not accessible to any of the users. Once entry is approved, Raptor will issue a badge that identifies the visitor, the date, and the purpose of his/her visit.

If you are interested in learning more about the visitor management system, please visit the Raptor Technologies website (<a href="www.raptorware.com">www.raptorware.com</a>).

The safety of our students is our highest priority and the Raptor visitor management system provides a consistent way to aid in keeping away people who may present a danger to our students. Therefore, all visitors to the school must be scanned into the system and obtain a visitor badge. The visitor badges must be returned to the office at the conclusion of the visit. Thank you, in advance, for your understanding and support of enhancing school safety protocols in our district.

Sincerely,

Phyllis L. Criswell

Superintendent of Schools

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