## **Enhancing School Safety Introducing the Raptor Visitor Management Program**



We are excited to announce the implementation of a new visitor check-in system at all Arlington schools and at the Central Administration Office. Effective September 1, 2022, we will be utilizing the Raptor Visitor Management System to strengthen campus safety for students and staff. Part of keeping students and staff safe is knowing who is in our buildings at all times. The Raptor Visitor Management System will allow us to do this in a more efficient manner.

Upon entering a district building, visitors will need to present identification (e.g. driver's license, state issued identification card, passport), which will be scanned into the Raptor Visitor Management System. The system checks the visitor's name and date of birth for comparison with a national database of registered sex offenders. The registered sex offender database is the only national database checked by the Raptor Visitor Management System. The system also checks safety alerts (e.g. orders of protection) in SchoolTool, our District's student information system. No other data from the identification is gathered or recorded. The information is not shared with any outside agency.

Once entry is approved, a badge will be issued that identifies the visitor, the date, and the purpose of their visit. Once visitors are entered in the system, their clearance is stored in the system for the remainder of the school year. **All visitors will still need to check in with the greeter each time they visit a school.** 

At this time, we will only be using the Raptor Visitor System during the school day. A visitor's badge will not be necessary for those who visit our schools simply to drop off an item in the office or to pick up paperwork.

Please click here for a list of Frequently Asked Questions about the Raptor Visitor Management System.

The safety of our students is our highest priority. Thank you for your support as we work to enhance the school safety protocols in our district.