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Dear Parent/Guardian:

The Elmore County Public Schools are pleased to announce that we will begin using Raptor, an electronic visitor management system in all our schools to build on the district's program of campus safety for students and faculty. Part of keeping students and faculty safe is always knowing who is in our building and the Raptor system will allow us to do that. The Raptor system will equip us to more effectively track visitors, contractors, and volunteers in our schools and provide us with a safer environment for our students and staff.

Upon entering one of our schools the visitor will be asked to present a valid state-issued ID, which will be scanned into the Raptor system. The system will check to ensure that registered sex offenders are not entering our buildings. It is important to note that the Raptor system only scans the visitor's name, date of birth and photo for comparison with a national database of registered sex offenders. 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. Therefore, any other information on the ID is not scanned by 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.

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. The visitor's badge will be a requirement for those visitors entering our school buildings. 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, please contact Susanne Goodin, Human Resources Director at 334-567-1200.

Student safety is our highest priority. The Raptor visitor management system provides a consistent method of tracking and controlling access by visitors which supports our commitment to the safety of our students. 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 for our staff and students.

Sincerely,



Richard Dennis
Superintendent