

Raptor V-Soft Security System Frequently Asked Questions

Introduction

Raptor V-Soft Security System is a web-based software application that has been developed for the purpose of aiding educational facilities to ensure that people entering the building are legally cleared for access to areas in which contact with students will be likely or possible. Raptor will allow our schools and facilities to electronically check all visitors against a registered sexual offender database, produce a visitor badge, and monitor volunteers once inside our buildings. The overall goal of implementing Raptor is to better control access to all West Chester Area School District's buildings; thus providing enhanced protection for our students and staff.

What is the Raptor system?

Raptor is a visitor management system that enhances school security by reading a visitor driver's licenses and comparing that information to a sex offender database. Assuming no match was made, the system quickly prints a visitor badge that includes a photo, the name of the visitor, time, date and destination. The system will alert campus administrators if a match is found.

Why is the West Chester Area School Schools using this system?

The safety of our students is our highest priority. Raptor will provide a consistent system to monitor visitors while keeping away people who present a danger to students and staff members.

Who is scanned and how does it work?

All visitors to any district building must present a valid driver's license to be scanned. The license information, including visitor name, date of birth, and photo for comparison is compared to a database of registered sex offenders from all 50 states. If a match is found, campus administrators and law enforcement personnel will take appropriate steps to keep the campus safe.

Besides sex offender data, is there any other data compared?

No. At this time, Raptor will only compare identification information to a sex offense database. The information is not sold or shared with any outside company or organization.

Should we scan every visitor into the system, including WCASD employees?

WCASD employees who do not have an employee badge visible must be scanned and wear the Raptor badge. Employees who have their employee badge visible have already submitted the appropriate clearances required by the Department of Education.

Does the WCASD have the right to require visitors, even parents, to produce identification before entering the campus?

Yes. The WCASD needs to be sure who is on our campuses and why they are there, particularly if a student is involved in the visit.

What if the person refuses to show identification?

The administrator can question the individual and explain the process. The administrator, based on the knowledge of the person and situation, can make a determination to allow entry or refuse access to our schools or facilities.

What if the visitor does not have photo ID:

If the visitor does not have acceptable photo identification available, the designated staff member will contact the building principal or other designee to help assess the situation. The visitor will ultimately need to provide his or her identifying information such as date of birth, address, phone number, etc.

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