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Dear Parent/Guardian,

The school district is rolling out a new enterprise visitor management system (EVMS) starting November 6th. EVMS provides a district-wide standard for managing and controlling access to our schools. In acquiring the new system, we will no longer use paper-based, manual visitor processes or stand-alone computer-based systems.

EVMS has many benefits over our current visitor management practices. Most importantly, EVMS creates a district-wide standard, meaning visitor enrollment will be the same at every school throughout the district. The new application also allows school leaders to know who is in our schools at any time including during emergencies. EVMS also creates unique, easily identifiable badges for all visitors.

EVMS is an important school safety initiative intended to provide another layer of protection for our children and adults in OCPS schools. In addition to managing access into our schools, the program also provides near instantaneous screening for registered sex offenders ensuring a safe and secure school environment.

Whether you are a visitor or volunteer, the electronic visitor management system enrollment process is simple. As a visitor or volunteer you will be asked to present a valid government-issued photo identification card (driver's license, passport, consulate card, "green card," etc.) to begin the check-in.

Once you provide your identification the front desk staff person will scan it into the system; the system will complete its checks, a badge will print out, and you will wear your badge throughout your school visit. If necessary, additional steps may be taken to verify your status, and complete your enrollment. In the vast majority of cases, enrolling in the system will involve a very short process.

The overall goal of the new visitor management system is to increase the security of our schools, and to keep our students safe. We value everyone's participation and involvement in our students' education and wellbeing. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact a member of our school's administration.

Yours truly,

Caroll Grimando, Principal

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