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Dear Parent/Guardian:

In an effort to strengthen campus safety at all of our schools, Westminster School District will begin using the Raptor Visitor Management System. The Raptor system will allow us to better track and screen all of our visitors on campus.

Upon entering a district building, visitors will be asked to present identification such as a driver's license, which can either be scanned or manually entered into the system. If a parent or guardian does not have US government-issued identification for any reason, school staff can use alternate forms of identification and manually enter the visitor's name into the Raptor system. The Raptor system will check to ensure that registered sexual offenders are not entering our school campuses without our knowledge, for improved student safety.

We recognize that privacy and confidentiality are important to our visitors, which is why we want to emphasize that the Raptor system only 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 official database checked by the Raptor system. No other data from the identification card is gathered or recorded. The information is not shared with any outside agency.

Once entry is approved, the Raptor system 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 or pick up items in the front office.

The safety of our students and staff is our highest priority and the Raptor system allows us to quickly identify visitors that may present a danger to our students. Thank you in advance for your understanding and your support in enhancing our school safety protocols in our district. Please contact your school principal if you have questions about this system.

Sincerely,

Sheri Loewenstein  
Interim Superintendent