CCFA Visitor Management – Raptor System

Raptor V-Soft Security System is a web-based software application that has been developed for 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 Chester County Family Academy using this system?
The safety of our students is our highest priority and the Raptor visitor management system provides a consistent way to aid in keeping people, who may present a danger to our students, away from our school.

Who is scanned and how does it work?
Upon entering CCFA, all visitors apart from those dropping off/picking up items/paperwork in the office, will be asked to present a valid-issued ID, which will be scanned into the system. The Raptor system will check to ensure that registered sexual offenders are not entering our school. 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.

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. Additional visitor data from the driver's license is not gathered nor is the system connected to any other database such as the Department of Motor Vehicles. Therefore, no other information on the ID is scanned by the system and is not accessible to any other users.

Does CCFA have the right to require visitors, even parents, to produce identification before entering the building?
Yes. CCFA needs to be sure who is in our building 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 decide to allow entry or refuse access to our school.

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 CEO 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.