



Canton Local School District

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Stephen P. Milano, Superintendent

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

As we begin the 2017-2018 school year, we want to make you aware of a change in our safety and security procedures. We are implementing a new visitor management system called School Gate Guardian at all Canton Local School buildings.

The use of a visitor management system aligns with school security best practices, and the School Gate Guardian system is currently used in 1,000+ school districts nationwide.

This new visitor management system will require our school office personnel to scan the driver's license or state ID of all school visitors. The scan will check the information against the National Sex Offender database. If no match is found, the system will print a visitor's sticker with a picture identifying the person as an approved visitor.

The School Gate Guardian system only scans the visitor's name, date of birth and photo for comparison purposes. The system does not save any personal information.

If the system raises a question about a visitor's background, the school administrator will take the necessary steps to ensure the appropriateness of each visit.

This new security procedure will take approximately 30 seconds. **Please bring your driver's license or state issued ID with you when you plan to visit a building during regular school hours.**

Thank you in advance for your cooperation. If you have questions, please call your school's principal.

For more information, please visit the Canton Local Schools website at cantonlocal.org.

Sincerely,

Stephen P. Milano
Superintendent