Dear PGUSD Families and Community Members,

The safety and security of our students and staff is our top priority at PGUSD. To further strengthen our commitment, we are excited to announce the implementation of a new Visitor Management System (VMS) across all our school campuses, **Starting Monday, September 9, 2024**.

This system will streamline the visitor check-in process while enhancing security measures. Here's what you can expect:

- **Upon arrival:** The first time a visitor (including families, volunteers, contractors and guests) enters a PGUSD site they will be required to present a valid government-issued ID at the designated entry point. Anytime after that facial recognition will be utilized for identification.
- **Quick and Easy Check-In:** Each time you visit our user-friendly VMS will register you and you will be issued a temporary visitor badge for identification on campus.
- **Enhanced Security:** The VMS will verify your identity to ensure that anyone entering a PGUSD campus has been screened.

Why are we implementing this system?

The VMS provides several benefits:

- **Peace of Mind:** This system creates a more secure environment for our students, faculty, and staff.
- **Increased Accountability:** Knowing who is on campus at all times allows us to better respond to emergencies and ensure everyone's safety.
- **Improved Efficiency:** Streamlined check-in saves valuable time for both visitors and school staff.

We appreciate your cooperation in implementing this new system. It demonstrates our shared commitment to a safe and secure learning environment for all. For more information about the VMS review PGUSD Visitor Management System web page at https://www.pgusd.org/Departments/PGTech/Visitor-Management-System/index.html

Any questions regarding the VMS can be emailed to myself at lalgaze@pgusd.org and may make it onto the public page referenced above. Please check that page to ensure the question you have has not already been answered.

Thank you,

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