

## SAFETY √ FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### **What is Safety √?**

**Safety √** is a web-based visitor management system implemented to enhance the safety of students and staff by screening visitors on our campus.

### **Why is my school using Safety √?**

The safety and well being of students and staff is the district's highest priority. This system will allow the campus to track visitors to the campus and prevent those who may pose a threat to safety from entering the building undetected. Your school is one of many to use the **Safety √** system. Eventually, all Austin schools will use **Safety √**.

### **Who will be checked?**

All visitors, vendors, and others who come to the campus.

### **How does Safety √ work?**

Visitors' driver licenses or other ID cards are scanned to check against sex offender databases in 48 states. (Additionally, other local checks, such as court restraining orders, can be added.) Once the scan is complete, a visitor's badge will be printed for the visitor to wear at all times while on the campus.

### **What is Safety √ looking for?**

**Safety √** searches for registered sex offenders or other local alerts such as court restraining orders or court ordered custody arrangements

### **What ID can I use?**

A government issued ID such as a driver license or state ID card, or an ID obtained from a consulate can be used. A District-issued ID can be provided to those who need one (see your campus for details).

### **Will the system check immigration status?**

No. The system only searches for registered sex offenders or other court orders, which do not include immigration status.

## **What happens if I am identified as an offender by the system?**

An administrator will privately inform you of what the results mean as far as your presence on campus.

## **Is my Safety √ information kept confidential?**

Yes. All information obtained will remain confidential and will **not** be shared or made public.

## **If I want more information, whom can I contact?**

If you have technical questions about the Safety √ system, please email [safetycheck@austinisd.org](mailto:safetycheck@austinisd.org).

If you have concerns regarding customer service or the handling of information obtained via Safety √, please contact the campus administrator.