

**Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)**  
*Change in Access to District 34 Schools*

**Q: When can we expect this change to occur?**

A: The change is effective beginning the first day of school.

**Q: Why is District 34 making this change?**

A: After discussion with Glenview first responders, the district learned it was inconsistent with recommended security measures. It was also inconsistent with other districts that all keep their interior or exterior school doors to the front office locked. Additionally, as we continued to review several long-term health life safety projects and finalized our crisis plans, it became clear that additional measures should be made as it relates to visitor management at all of our schools.

**Q: Was this change in practice made in response to any one specific event in District 34?**

A: No. These security measures are considered common practice in schools based off the recommendations of first responders and security experts.

**Q: How does this enhance the overall security of the building?**

A: This change in security essentially allows us to slow down a potential threat to school environments. If, for instance there was a perceived threat, main office staff could have additional time to utilize panic hardware to alert staff, students and first responders with a pre-recorded lock down message.

**Q: What if I am just coming to school to drop off my child's lunch or need to leave something at the front office? In other words, I do not need full access to the school?**

A: All visitors to District 34 schools will need to state the purpose of their visit before they can enter the front office. Even if you need to just drop something off, you will need to be visible to our front office staff in the security camera and state the reason for your visit.

**Q: What can we expect during afternoon pick-up when many parents are entering the building or children are leaving?**

A: We have every expectation that all visitors will continue to utilize this new security system in order to gain access to the building. Any staff member holding the door to allow for children to exit the building will still require you to utilize the security system to have access to the front office.



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**Q: Can we expect there to be additional changes to school security in District 34?**

A: In the near future, no, there will not be any significant changes. However, we are continually reviewing our emergency preparedness in District 34 and making necessary changes in support of the safety and security of our students and staff.