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Dear Parents and Guardians,

The Readington Township Public School District prides itself on being a safe, supportive learning environment. During this past summer and into the fall our facilities and technology departments have been working closely with contractors to install double entry vestibules and a new card access system in all four (4) schools and the Board Office. I am pleased to announce that the vestibule project is nearly complete. This vestibule project was done to enhance the safety and security of all of our buildings. Guests and visitors will notice a new system to gain access to the buildings along with two sets of closed and locked doors at each main entrance. The double entry doors allow for visitors to gain access to only the vestibule waiting area while the secretary or member of the school staff assists the visitor. This additional step provides a safe way for school personnel to assess the visitor's reasons for entering the building prior to gaining entry into the school.

When you wish to gain access to each of our school buildings you will notice some different protocols put in place once all vestibules are complete. Click here to access an informative pamphlet that details all of the updated protocols for visitors. There are changes to be aware of, as the double-entry vestibules require a two-step process to gain entry to the building. There are also structural changes to our main entrances in that they have an intercom system and the new "bank teller" style window. The pamphlet also answers questions about chaperones, picking up your child, parking, and dropping off items to your child. Printed copies of the pamphlet will also be available at each school in the vestibule area.

For further information about district safety and security, you can visit the district's safety and security website by going to our home page www.readington.k12.nj.us and clicking on the 'Our District' tab or simply click here. This website is designed to assist staff, students, and parents with understanding our safety protocols.

We are very excited to have this enhanced level of security. While this additional level of security may seem inconvenient or intrusive to some, we believe amplified protocols are critically important to ensure the safety of our staff and students. We appreciate your patience and cooperation as the district transitions to these new protocols. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,

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