

**WEBINAR** 

# How to Improve Safety at Your Childcare Center







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#### In this Session:

- Ensure parents understand your efforts to keep their child safe
- Policy and procedures that can establish a safe community
- Technology options that can provide additional security measures



"There is no quick fix for school violence. No one intervention technological or otherwise— can fully guarantee the security of schools or resolve the underlying causes of school violence. Instead, a holistic approach to developing a school safety plan seeks to understand and address to the degree possible what leads to school violence to promote "situational awareness" among students, staff, and community members. The selection of a technology should be in service of a larger school safety approach as outlined in the plan."

National Institute of Justice





# Ensuring parents their children are safe









### **Sell Yourself**



- Point out all features throughout the tour
- Share parent references
- Share checklists for what high-quality childcare looks like

 Provide access information to state regulations



## Policies and Protocols





#### **Staff Identification:**

- Name tag
- Lanyard
- Logo gear



#### Parent/Visitor Identification

- Written/ verbal authorization
- ID check
- Escort through school
- Response to unfamiliar people





#### **Attendance**

- Who is onsite
- When did children leave
- No show call





#### **Front Office Personnel**

- Greet
- Verify information
- Answer calls



#### **Emergency Protocol**

- Child emergency
- School lock down
- Communication to parents









## Technology Options



#### **Secured Access**

- Buzzed in
- Passcodes
- Speaker system





#### **Child Data Access:**

#### Quick digital access to:

- Parent contact info
- Authorized pick –ups
- Allergies / medical info







#### **Security Cameras:**

Allowing administrators to view key areas of the program:

- Doors
- Halls
- Common spaces
- Playgrounds





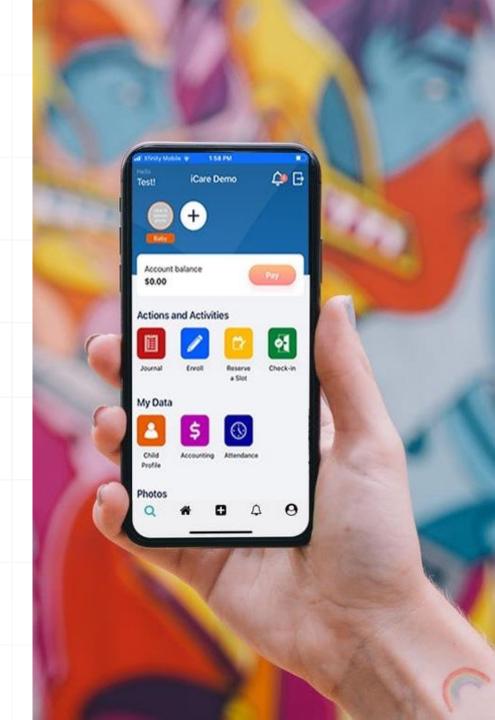


#### **Classroom Cameras**

Parent access to their child throughout day for piece of mind.

#### **Digital Communication:**

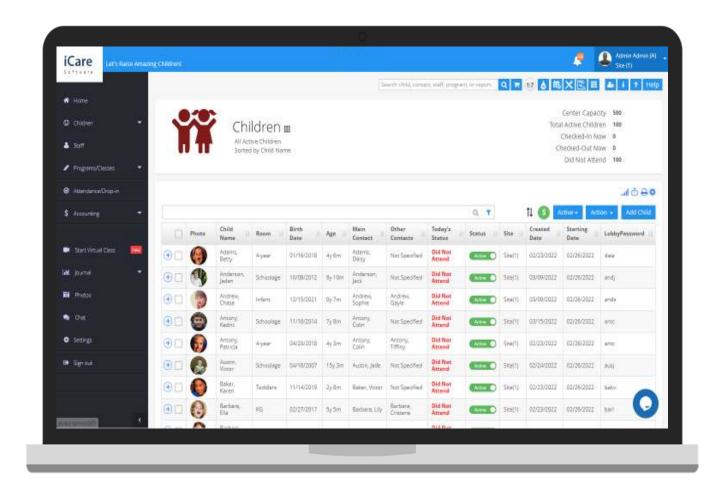
- Emails
- Texts
- Phone calls





#### How can iCare help you to find more time in your day?

- Accounting
- Parent / Staff
  Communication
- Scheduling
- Documentation
  Management







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