## **SCOTT COUNTY**

SCHOOL DISTRICT

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September 17, 2015

Dear Scott 2 Parent,

We at Scott 2 take the safety of our students very seriously and are excited to announce the implementation of a new safety program, Raptor, which will provide an additional layer of security for students. Raptor will allow Scott 2 officials to cross check visitor's identification against the sex offender registry along with a locally created database that will be developed in conjunction with our other background check protocols. In order to effectively and efficiently use Raptor, Scott 2 will require each visitor to have a state or federal issued photo ID during school hours. This photo ID will be scanned and a visitor's badge printed for you. Please be sure to bring your ID with you each time you visit your child's school. Raptor will begin district-wide on Monday, September 28, 2015.

For those of you wishing to do more than just visit for a classroom activity or school program, Scott 2 will utilize additional layers of security and background checks.

- The second level of the background check is the Limited Criminal History background check. The results from this background check will only show crimes of which you were convicted. If you are interested in volunteering with our students, please fill out and sign the form titled "Volunteer Registration Form". This will give us permission to search your criminal history.
- The third level of the background check is a Department of Child Services History Check (DCS). The results from this form will show if there is a history of substantiated child abuse, neglect, or molestation with the Department of Child Services. A substantiated history means the Department of Child Services did find evidence of abuse, neglect, or molestation. This form will not show us reports that were made that were not investigated, any details of any investigation, or any information on investigations that were unsubstantiated. Please fill out and sign the form titled, "Indiana Request For A Child Protection Services (CPS) History Check". This will give us permission to have DCS run the history check.

You will only be contacted about your background check(s) if the results show you have a history. If you do have a criminal history or a substantiated history with the Department of Child Services, that would limit your opportunities to volunteer in Scott 2. You will be contacted by a staff member from your child's school to explain the results and to discuss your specific situation.

Please know that your results are regarded as highly confidential and will only be viewed by key staff.

We want to thank you for wanting to help make our school a great place. We want to thank you for offering to work with our children, our most important asset. Thank you in advance for your cooperation and understanding as we work to make sure that our children have the safest environment possible. We look forward to working with you this year.

To help us ensure that your paperwork is complete prior to your volunteer service, please submit the appropriate paperwork to the school office at least 2 weeks prior to your first date of volunteer service.

Sincerely,

Marc Slaton, Ed.D. Superintendent