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## Penn Manor High School is Getting Smarter with Video Surveillance

Before installing a video surveillance system, Penn Manor High School administrators and the school's full-time resource officer had difficulty monitoring all areas of the school at every moment of the day. Now, cameras from Bosch Security Systems, Inc. provide continuous video of the interior and exterior of the school – located in Millersville, Pennsylvania. In fact, our cameras have recorded more than 60 security incidents since 2005.

"Adding video surveillance technology to the school campus is an innovative way to make Penn Manor an even safer environment for the students and staff," said Donald Stewart, superintendent of Penn Manor School District. "The system has received significant support from the community because the benefits are so easy to recognize."

Inside the school, Bosch Dinion color cameras monitor hallways, areas with valuable computer equipment, and the cafeteria, where as many as 600 students gather during each lunch period. Video surveillance of school exits also helps prevent truancy. Outside, Bosch EnviroDome and AutoDome cameras – which can withstand snow, ice, and rain – monitor the parking lots and the bus entrances. These cameras can zoom in on license plates, capture video of acts of vandalism, and alert staff to unauthorized people on school property.

In the offices of the assistant principal and school resource officer, 21-inch color monitors display video from cameras throughout the school. The administrators have the ability to view live and playback video simultaneously on the two monitors. Using digital video recorders, administrators can also search through video files



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for recordings of security concerns.

Many of the nearly 1,900 students at the school understand the video surveillance system is in place to protect them. When an incident occurs or a personal item is stolen, they often seek out administrators to see if there is a video recording of what occurred.

“Students appreciate that the administration is a stronger resource for them now,” said Christopher Moritzen, assistant principal, Penn Manor High School. “We can help them recover stolen items or address other issues. The cameras inform us of events that happen throughout the school when we can’t have a physical presence.”

The video surveillance system has helped school administrators discover instances of an unauthorized individual entering a restricted area, thefts, physical confrontations between students, and even vandalism, including damage to computers and classrooms. Administrators can share video with parents in situations where disciplinary action is needed and provide video in digital form to law enforcement when evidence is required for court proceedings.

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