



DATE: 06/08/26

TITLE: District Security Committee Recommendation: Raptor Emergency Management Platform

TYPE: Action

PRESENTER(S): Todd Lechtenberg, Executive Director of Finance and Operations

BACKGROUND:

Over the past year, the District Security Committee has reviewed emergency response procedures, communication systems, accountability practices, reunification processes, and overall emergency management systems across Austin Public Schools. The committee's work focused on identifying opportunities to strengthen districtwide preparedness, improve emergency response coordination, and ensure consistent safety practices across all schools and facilities.

As part of this work, the committee evaluated available school safety and emergency management platforms designed specifically for K-12 school districts. Following its review, the committee is recommending implementation of the Raptor Emergency Management Platform.

RATIONALE:

Student and staff safety remains the district's highest priority. While Austin Public Schools maintains established emergency procedures and conducts required safety drills, the District Security Committee identified opportunities to strengthen communication, accountability, reunification, and emergency response coordination through a comprehensive emergency management platform.

The Raptor platform provides a centralized system that supports emergency communication, student and staff accountability, reunification management, drill management, and coordination with first responders. Implementing a districtwide platform will improve consistency across schools, enhance situational awareness during emergencies, and provide staff with tools that support a coordinated response to critical incidents.

The recommendation aligns with Strategic Plan Priority 1, Support and Resources to Ensure a Safe and Welcoming Learning Environment, by strengthening district safety systems and supporting a safe, secure, and prepared learning environment for students and staff.

RECOMMENDATION:

A motion and a second will be requested to approve the implementation of the Raptor Emergency Management Platform and authorize administration to proceed with contract execution and implementation planning.