

# Prioritizing School Safety and Communication

#### **Background and Challenges**

Located in central Missouri, Tipton R-VI School District serves approximately 600 K-12 students, all within a single connected building.

As part of its commitment to student and staff safety, the district sought to modernize its communication and security infrastructure.

Recognizing the growing need for comprehensive access control and reliable emergency communication, Tipton R-VI partnered with SWC to implement state-of-the-art security solutions.







#### **Solutions Implemented**

SWC designed and implemented tailored security and communication solutions that included:

- **Brivo Access Control System:** Secure, centralized access management to track entry and exit activities in real time.
- Rauland Telecenter U (TCU) Integration: A modernized intercom, paging, and emergency notification system that seamlessly integrated with existing infrastructure.
- **Enhanced Security Measures:** Comprehensive access control at every door, utilizing key fobs and card readers.



"This is my fifth school district, and I've seen a lot of intercom systems—this is the best one I've ever seen."

Dr. Terry Robinson, Superintendent, Tipton R-VI School District

#### **Results and Impact**

Dr. Terry Robinson, Superintendent of Tipton R-VI, highlighted the significant improvements made possible through SWC's solutions.

The implementation of Brivo Access allowed the district to track and manage building access efficiently. "One of the things that made it really good for us with Brivo Access is that we knew who had access and we could also see who was coming in and out of our building on a regular basis. We could control key fobs and card readers at every door. One of our priorities was to have every door secured with access control."

SWC provided multiple options for system setup, ensuring the solution fit Tipton R-VI's specific needs. "What I like the most with TCU is that it could be integrated into what we had and made what we had better."

### "The solutions SWC offered were not one-size-fits-all; they provided options tailored to our needs."

The security upgrades provided peace of mind to both staff and the broader community, aligning with national concerns about school safety. "There were times when people would walk through the building, and we didn't know who they were or why they were there. Thankfully, we never had an incident, but having electronic means to communicate and control access reassured our staff and community."

Dr. Robinson praised the reliability and effectivness of the new intercom and security systems. "We didn't want to spend a lot of money and get a marginal result. We went from having intercoms that were sketchy at best to a fully functional system. Our security cameras now allow us to access footage quickly and efficiently, and our access control system has transformed building security."





## "[The intercom] over-delivered because we didn't fully realize how much we were missing until it was in place."

Through its partnership with SWC, Tipton R-VI School District successfully modernized its security and communication infrastructure, enhancing student and staff safety. The integration of advanced access control, intercom, and emergency notification systems ensures a safer and more efficient environment, providing peace of mind for the entire school community.

