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How Oswego Schools Used Safety iPass to Face Changing Pandemic Mandates

SAFETY IPASS

SD308 OSWEGO COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT

The Challenge

Many schools were required to adjust to the State of Illinois' requirement to either be vaccinated or maintain weekly testing. Oswego Community Unit School District's size of approximately 20,000 staff and students over 23 locations further challenged the district's ability to quickly roll out a reliable solution for meeting the new safety requirements. With a pandemic safety requirement from the state looming, the district needed a reliable solution quickly implemented.

Customer Profile

Oswego Community Unit School District 308 serves approximately 20,000 students in preschool through grade 12. Oswego CUSD 308 is the seventh-largest public school district in Illinois, and the student population is highly diverse and rapidly growing. The school district puts a priority on safety and has worked to continue to improve school safety.

Industry: Pre K-12 Education

Region: Oswego, IL

Total Buildings: 23

Total Students: 18,000

Customer Since: 2021

The Solution

Theresa Komitas (Communications Director & Pandemic Coordinator for Oswego Community Unit School District) and SDs management decided to roll out CrisisGo's Safety iPass, to provide the ability to quickly and reliably meet a new state safety mandate.

She stated, "What first caught our eye was the ability to record all vaccination and test details into a single place. Our eyes really opened to it when Illinois made it required that staff and schools either be vaccinated or testing weekly."

Given the large size and numerous school district locations, the state requirements would be difficult to manage. Komitas stated, "The idea of how in the world we would manage that on our own overwhelmed us a bit."

The district chose CrisisGo to help solve their vaccination and testing management problem. "For us, it's been a source for people to record their own test results, for us to dump large numbers of test results in, for people to upload their vaccination cards, and then for us to easily run the data reports out of there to see which employees are non-compliant with that weekly requirement," stated Komitas.

The Results

When asked about the value of CrisisGo to the district, Komitas shared: "For us, it's the weekly compliance at the district that we have to manage. We must know which of our employees were not vaccinated and were tested within the last week. So, we can run that report through your system to determine if they had supplied their own test results or if we had their test results as one of the large data feeds that we brought in. And of those that are not, we can sort that out by building and send that information to HR to follow up."

According to Komitas, she has heard staff have had positive experiences using the system. "It's definitely been easy for people to upload the information. I know from our nurses, we've heard really great feedback," stated Komitas.

She added, "For our nurses when they're reporting results in the back-end, it's been very easy because they can find the person right into the system and attach the record there as opposed to just trying to log it somewhere. So, we can go back and review when someone was tested and the frequency."

Oswego CUSD 308 has successfully leveraged CrisisGo to reduce the strain on HR with weekly compliance reports and help medical staff easily handle testing and vaccination management.

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