



January 31, 2025

Dear Unity Prep High School Families,

At Unity, we are dedicated to ensuring a safe and positive learning environment for all our students. As discussed during our Back to School Night late this past fall, we are writing to inform you of a new safety protocol that will be rolled out next week: *scanning during school arrivals*. This initiative is part of our commitment to student safety and aligning with other area high schools that have already adopted similar measures.

Starting the week of February 3rd, students will be required to go through a scanning process as they enter the building. While scanning may not occur every day, students should be prepared each morning to participate in the process. Our team, which includes our Safety Associates along with our administrators, will conduct the scanning to help maintain a smooth and supportive experience for everyone. The purpose of this scanning process is to prevent any prohibited items from entering our school, ensuring a safe learning environment for all.

During scanning, students must:

- Have their Unity identification card ready,
- Ensure that there are no metal objects in their backpack.
- Place any objects in their pockets into bins provided.

Please remind your child to be prepared and to follow the instructions of our team members to make their entry into school quick and orderly. Students who are not prepared may require additional screening, which could delay their entry into their first class.

Any items discovered that are prohibited by school policy, including drugs, weapons, and any other items that infringe on the safety of our community will result in disciplinary action as outlined in our school's Code of Conduct.

If you have any questions about the scanning protocol or the steps we're taking to promote a safe school climate, please contact *Mr. Lopez, Assistant Principal - Operations & Safety* at BLopez@unityprep.org or 718-682-3725 ext 2014.

Thank you for your ongoing support and partnership in keeping Unity a safe and welcoming place for all.

Warm regards,

Grace Yun, Principal