

Safe and Secure at Alabama Christian Academy

Providing a safe environment at K12 schools is critical to helping students succeed academically, socially, and emotionally. School security leaders work hard to always ensure that everyone within a school – students, teachers, and visitors – always feel safe while they are on school grounds.

Achieving that goal incorporates a multitude of initiatives to mitigate security risks, to include a facility that is well designed and constructed and that employs security technology such as video surveillance, access control, and identity management.

That's what the security leaders at Alabama Christian Academy (ACA) have done. The private Protestant school in Montgomery, Ala. was founded in 1942 by leaders who wanted to provide families of central Alabama a place where students could receive a faith-based education.

The school has steadily grown through the years. In 1985, it moved to a new location, which included an extensive building plan that increased the number of elementary and high school classrooms and renovated the football stadium.

Today, it is a safe and secure environment where more than 1,000 students in PreK through 12th grade can learn and educators can teach without fears about their physical safety.

Working with local integrator Creative Security Solutions in Montgomery, AL, ACA has installed more than 60 IP video surveillance cameras and access control for 20 interior and exterior doors to monitor activity during school hours and throughout the perimeter after hours.

As ACA has leveraged video surveillance to secure its facilities, it needed a unified security platform that would allow video surveillance, video analytics, and access to be quickly accessed. Integrated systems also alert staff of suspicious activity, facilitating informed decision-making during a crisis.

Shelton Mangum, owner of Creative Security Solutions, who was deeply involved with the project, recently installed the LENSEC Perspective VMS® solution at the school, due to its integration with Galaxy Control, the access control provider.

LENSEC has a great deal of expertise helping school security teams protect their greatest assets, whether the security scenario is for one school facility or a district-wide enterprise deployment.

With Perspective VMS®, security devices can enhance school safety in many ways. With advanced PVMS features, sharing of information and recorded video is simple and provides real-time situational awareness during or immediately after an incident.

Today's K12 schools need solid security solutions to keep students and faculty safe and allow them to learn without fear for physical safety.

With Perspective VMS®, ACA now has enterprise-level security solution that meets its current security needs and allows for future growth.

Learn more about Perspective VMS® [here](#).