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Over thousands of people today use mass notification services, and they are becoming increasingly popular. From voice calls to texts, these messages are sent automatically by a user, and can reach hundreds of people at the same time. It saves the tedious work of having to send each person the same message, or to call each person individually. Automated messages are frequently used for communication between businesses and customers, emergency alerts, as well as school notifications. How might these affect those who receive the messages? For instance, children whose parents receive automated calls from their child's school? Pre-recorded calls from schools provide the students with increased responsibility, safety, and a chance for bonding. For these reasons, mass notification services from schools to parents benefit the child tremendously.

When a parent receives a phone call from their child's school, it could be for a number of reasons. One of these reasons could be the disciplinary action required of a child. If a student is scheduled for detention, for example, the parent may receive a message from the school reminding them about the upcoming date and time that has been scheduled for the student's detention. If the child has not yet told his parents that he has gotten himself into detention, he will have to take responsibility for his actions of keeping it a secret. As well as still having to attend the detention, the child may also be punished at home. This will teach him that next time he should be honest with his parents. From this lesson, the child will learn that being truthful with others is the best method of dealing with these types of issues. He will learn to take responsibility for his actions, and admit them openly to others.

Automated phone calls can also provide safety to both students and parents. In a severe weather warning, automated phone calls will be sent out to each parent in the school system. This lets them know that school has been either cancelled or delayed. In doing so, it allows parents to know not to bring their child to school due to dangerous weather conditions. It also makes them aware of any hazards that may be on the roadways, which would deter them from traveling, thus keeping them and their families safe.



Mass notification systems within schools also keep children safe by alerting their parents when they are not in school. When a parent sends their son or daughter to school, they expect them to be safe and accounted for by teachers and staff who will watch after them during the day. However, when a child is not where they are supposed to be, a phone call will be sent home to let the parent know that their child is not in class. This can help tremendously in case the student had gotten lost, or even stolen. When parents get the automated call that their child is not where they need to be, they can immediately go out and begin searching for the missing child. If, on the other hand, they are older children and are skipping class, their parents will still know they are not there, and they can deal with it accordingly in order to prevent it from happening again, thus keeping them safe from danger.

Finally, automated messaging systems inform parents about when there is an activity or event happening within the school. Such activities can include sporting events, dances, or other school events, like book fairs and cookouts. This can create the opportunity for bonding between parents and children. When the parents becomes more involved in the students education, they become closer to one another. This can promote a sense of love and acceptance for the student, which can be reflected through the child's schoolwork and behavior.

Mass notification systems have been around for several years, and are still widely used today, and are in fact growing in popularity, especially in schools. By automatically relaying voice calls and text messaging to the parents of all students in the school, they are creating a sense of community and involvement within the school system. These messaging systems greatly benefit the students of the schools. They increase the sense of responsibility of the students by teaching the repercussions of dishonesty, as well as the benefits of being truthful with others. They also keep children safe and out of harm's way. In addition to this, these systems deliver messages about events and activities that are occurring throughout the year, which involve the entire family, creating a sense of bonding and amusement as families enjoy these activities together. Overall, these automatic phone calls and text messages are positively benefiting the students of schools nationwide, and will continue to do so for generations to come.