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Cody High School Replaces Analog System With Axis Network Cameras to Better Protect Students, Secure Community Events

Higher Resolutions, Intelligent Video Help Wyoming School Drastically Increase Video Identification of Perpetrators

CHELMSFORD, Mass. – July 26, 2010 – Axis Communications, the global leader in the network video market, today announced that Cody High School in Wyoming worked with integrator ISC Corporation to replace its analog video system with Axis network cameras to improve the protection of students, secure community events and future-proof school security.

The video captured by the school's decade-old analog video cameras yielded too few details to be useful – especially at night when most incidents occur. The district decided an IP-based surveillance system with higher image quality and more advanced features would provide much better forensic detail, act as a deterrent for vandalism and other inappropriate activity, and enable quicker and easier video searches following a security event.

“The video from our old analog camera system was so pixilated, we only identified culprits about 15% of time,” said Brandon Jensen, principal of Cody High School. “Our new Axis cameras have such amazing image clarity that so far we've been able to identify who was doing what 100% of the time.”

ISC Corporation, a network integrator and certified Axis partner headquartered in Casper, Wyo., recommended an array of 80 indoor and outdoor network cameras from Axis Communications to monitor the school building and its 42-acre campus. The exterior cameras are equipped with automatic day/night functionality to provide a clear picture of people and objects even in low-light conditions. School administrative and security staff use NetDVMS, OnSSI's video management system, to monitor and investigate the video as well as manage the Axis cameras over the school's fiber network.

ISC deployed AXIS 214 PTZ Network Cameras (pan/tilt/zoom) and AXIS 225FD Fixed Dome Network Cameras on building exteriors to cover entry doors, the senior parking lot, bus loading zone, and abutting parks and recreation areas. ISC also deployed AXIS P3301 Fixed Dome Network Cameras inside the high school to cover hallways, stairwells, the gymnasium and common areas, as well as outside bathrooms and classrooms.

To avoid unnecessary archiving, ISC leverages motion detection embedded in the Axis cameras to trigger recording using OnSSI's NetDVMS. Additionally, the school uses a Smart Search function to quickly scan archived video for missing objects. This is done by selecting an area within the field of view – such as a laptop on a table – and then instructing the VMS to compare

pixels in multiple frames to identify when that object disappears.

The onsite school resource officer (SRO) has full access to the high school's cameras and serves as the liaison to the chief of police and Park County Sheriff's Department. In an emergency, the SRO can share password access to the cameras and, if needed, the mobile command unit operated by Park County Search and Rescue has wireless access to live video.

Having network cameras in and around the property has had a positive effect on the behavior of students, faculty and visitors to the campus. With the clarity of the images provided by the network cameras, administrative and security staff can zoom in on crucial details of an incident to identify faces, clothing and license plates.

"We are honored to be chosen by Cody to make its school environment safe and secure at a time when parents and students are showing increased concerns," said Fredrik Nilsson, general manager, Axis Communications Inc. "Because of high image quality and openness designed to work with complementary video solutions, Axis network cameras have helped increase student and parent comfort levels at schools and universities across the country."

About Axis Communications

Axis is an IT company offering network video solutions for professional installations. The company is the global market leader in network video, driving the ongoing shift from analog to digital video surveillance. Axis products and solutions focus on security surveillance and remote monitoring, and are based on innovative, open technology platforms. Axis is a Sweden-based company, operating worldwide with offices in more than 20 countries and cooperating with partners in more than 70 countries. Founded in 1984, Axis is listed on the NASDAQ OMX Stockholm, under the ticker AXIS. For more information about Axis, please visit our website at www.axis.com.

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