

CASE STUDY

Inman Elementary Enhances Safety & Efficiency *with* Pikmykid

Red Oak School District RED OAK, IOWA

Inman Elementary School



The Challenge

A CLEAR CASE FOR SPEEDIER, SAFER DISMISSAL

For three years, Principal Jane Chaillie at Inman Elementary negotiated inefficient dismissal procedures against evolving safety requirements. Managing two buildings – a K-6 school & preschool/daycare center located across town – meant navigating complex logistics to ensure students got home safely while maintaining compliance with new safety protocols.

Before implementing Pikmykid, Inman Elementary relied on manual processes that were time-consuming, prone to errors, and challenging for both staff & parents, not to mention Principal Chaillie herself, *“I personally made car tags that I put in all the cars’ windows.”*

Not surprisingly, relying on these outdated procedures to dismiss 500 students daily often felt chaotic and insecure. In fact, Principal Chaillie worried that students were left vulnerable from a safety standpoint when they lined up outside the school building for carpool pickup.

Recognizing the clear need for a more structured, safer, and technology-driven solution, Principal Chaillie began looking into new solutions, ultimately adopting Pikmykid’s Dismissal Management System in 2023.

As new school safety policies were passed, Inman Elementary expanded its use of the Pikmykid platform to include its Emergency Management, Reunification & Digital Hall Pass tools. Ultimately, this expansion led by Principal Chaillie motivated Red Oak Junior & Senior High Schools to implement Pikmykid’s safety solutions as well.

The Solution

IMPLEMENTING PIKMYKID FOR SEAMLESS SCHOOL OPERATIONS

Pikmykid provided Inman Elementary with an all-in-one solution to transform both dismissal and emergency preparedness, while empowering better communication between staff, administration, parents & the city's first responders.

STREAMLINED DISMISSAL WITH INCREASED PARENT CONTROL & ACCOUNTABILITY

The first step was integrating Dismissal Management, which replaced outdated systems with an automated, real-time platform. Today, dismissal is not only more efficient, **taking approximately ten minutes**, but also more secure. Parents can easily update pickup changes through the Pikmykid app, eliminating the need for last-minute phone calls and reducing confusion at the end of the school day.

"I wish I could tell you how much time this saves my secretaries."

ENHANCED SAFETY & COMPLIANCE FOR EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

With new state policies requiring improved emergency protocols, Inman Elementary turned to Pikmykid's Emergency Alert System & Reunification tools.

Emergency Alert System

Allows staff to notify all relevant personnel – including first responders and parents – with a single click during a drill or actual emergency.

Reunification Tool

Tracks student check-ins digitally, ensuring all students are accounted for during safety drills and real incidents.

Though this is her first year using the Reunification tool, Principal Chaillie is quick to emphasize its potential and value: *"The drill is important – that you know to get out – but the real essence of that drill is knowing that everybody is accounted for."*

These tools have improved compliance, increased response efficiency, and ensured a safer environment for both students & staff.

"Before Pikmykid, I never truly knew that all of my kids were out of the building. I trust my teachers but I didn't ever have that total satisfaction of knowing with confidence & certainty."

ADOPTION OF DIGITAL HALL PASSES FOR INCREASED VISIBILITY

To further enhance student tracking throughout the school day, Inman Elementary implemented Pikmykid's Digital Hall Pass. *"We use it on a daily basis."*

With Digital Hall Pass, teachers & administrators can monitor student movements in real-time, including bathroom and nurse visits, while reducing hallway congestion & increasing accountability across the board.

The Results

A SAFER, STRONGER SCHOOL DISTRICT SUPPORTED BY SOFTWARE

Since implementing Pikmykid, Inman Elementary and Red Oak Junior & Senior High Schools have seen significant improvements in both daily operations & emergency preparedness.



- **Faster, More Organized Dismissals** with reduced staff workload.
- **Real-Time Emergency Communication** that keeps parents, staff & first responders informed.
- **Increased Safety Compliance** with state & district policies.
- **Improved Monitoring & Accountability** through Digital Hall Passes.
- **District-Wide Adoption of Pikmykid's Safety Tools** ensuring a seamless system for K-12 students across the Red Oak School District.

WHY PIKMYKID WORKS FOR INMAN ELEMENTARY

Pikmykid's flexibility allowed Inman Elementary to start with Dismissal Management & later expand to emergency preparedness and student monitoring needs as evolved. The seamless implementation across multiple school buildings – including secondary schools – demonstrates how Pikmykid adapts to different age groups and administrative needs.

Separate from its functionality, Principal Chaille celebrates Pikmykid for its unparalleled & responsive support: *“What sets Pikmykid apart is the customer service. Everybody with you guys has championed us. I think sometimes people promise a bag of goods that isn't there and we haven't ever gotten that with Pikmykid.”*

PIONEERING THE POWER OF PIKMYKID

With Inman Elementary leading the charge, Red Oak Schools now serve as a model for how other school districts can leverage Pikmykid to improve both day-to-day efficiency & emergency preparedness. Their success story highlights the power of technology-driven school management software to strengthen safety, clarify communication, and relieve administrative burden.

“Pikmykid has changed our lives.”

Jane Chaille

PRINCIPAL Inman Elementary



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