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**CENTRAL
CATHOLIC**
HIGH SCHOOL**CASE STUDY**

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LOCATION: PITTSBURGH, PA / INDUSTRY: EDUCATION

Central Catholic High School is an all-boys college preparatory school located in the heart of Pittsburgh. The school strives to provide a challenging, relevant, and diverse program of studies and extracurricular activities in an environment that fosters a life of faith and learning that develops leaders rooted in the values of integrity, respect, service, justice, and peace.

Central Catholic needed an additional layer of security given their unique geographical positioning and the heightened security challenges in the city of Pittsburgh.

CHALLENGES

- * Central Catholic is uniquely positioned directly in between Carnegie Mellon University and the University of Pittsburgh, both publicly available campuses with a combined student population of over 50,000
- * Also positioned directly between three, high-traffic trauma-focused medical centers
- * Three blocks away from the Tree of Life Synagogue, where a tragic 2018 shooting took place
- * All students walk the quad of the Central Catholic campus during the last 10 minutes of their daily lunch period to uphold a nearly century old tradition

“In March of 2023 we received a phone call alerting our school of an active shooter threat on campus, a call that ended up being a false alarm. A school faculty member was instructed to activate the BluePoint pull station and within 2 minutes there were over 30 emergency responders on site. When all was said and done, over 150 emergency personnel responded from 10 different local emergency response units.”

—**JAMES DONAHUE**
Assistant Principal
for Student Affairs

RESULTS



SIMPLICITY

System keeps everyone informed with the most up-to-date information



RAPID RESPONSE

Average emergency response time was less than two minutes



PEACE-OF-MIND

Helps students, parents, faculty, and administration feel at ease



LIFE-SAVING

Central Catholic activated the alert system once in the last 12 months

