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Kendall County Sheriff’s Office announces exciting and innovative addition for the inmates

Sheriff Dwight Baird announces an exciting and innovative addition to our detention facility.

The week of August 14, inmate visitation at the Kendall County Sheriff’s Office will start utilizing video visitation.

Visitation at Kendall County Sheriff’s Office will be expanded to seven days a week.

“With this new technology, inmates will be able to maintain closer ties to their families,” Sheriff Baird said. “And that will increase their chances for success when they return to society.”

Easier for families
With video visitation, families can visit inmates from the comforts of their own homes via web-based video or through an App on mobile devices. No longer do they have to drive to the jail to visit their loved ones.
If they don’t have computer access, they may visit with inmates from a computer at a public library or come to the Sheriff’s Office in Yorkville and use a video visitation station.

**Whole family gets involved**
From home, a roomful of family members and friends can visit with an inmate through video visitation.

**Visit from out of state**
Family and friends can visit inmates from anywhere there’s internet service. For example, a beloved uncle in Las Vegas will be able to schedule a visit with a Kendall County inmate and never leave home.

“Families can be united no matter where they live,” Sheriff Baird said.

Through web-based visitation, inmates can assist their children with their homework and be a part of birthday celebrations.

**Online scheduling**
Scheduling will be online at home or through scheduling kiosks in the lobby of the Sheriff’s Office in Yorkville. Appointments must be made a day in advance and no more than two (2) weeks in advance.

**How it works**
For on-site video visitation, each inmate is allowed two (2) twenty (20) minutes visits per week. These visits will use a video visitation station, located at the Sheriff’s Office in Yorkville. For at home users, it costs $5.95 for twenty (20) minutes and $9.95 for forty (40) minutes. This fee helps pay the cost of the service.