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New Schlage Open Architecture, Modular AD-Series Electronic Locks Protect Access Control Investment

New AD-Series Locks Provide Campus-Wide Flexibility, Adaptability and & Scalability

First Showings at ASIS and DHI Expositions This Month

CARMEL, IND. –- September 8, 2009 - Ingersoll Rand Security Technologies today announced that security professionals in higher education applications can now choose the specific electronic lock they need with full confidence that it can be later upgraded without ever taking it off the door. Since the AD-Series locks are built on an open architecture platform, they let colleges and universities leverage their "one-card" solutions to provide safe and secure passage throughout the campus. With them, administrators can provide seamless integration with their present software, customize today's access control solution, and easily migrate to future needs when required. The new locks will be introduced at the Door & Hardware Institute Exposition September 16-17 in Kissimmee, Fla., and at the ASIS Exposition in Anaheim, Calif., September 21-23.

"From classrooms to sports complexes, labs, residence halls, common areas and beyond, the new Schlage AD-Series locks were designed with the understanding that no two campuses or their security applications are the same," explains Beverly Vigue, Ingersoll Rand Security Technologies vice president, education markets. "While protecting people in their facilities is higher education's most important security priority, the AD-Series electronic locks also protect the college's access control investment. The modular design of the new AD-Series locks makes it easy to add more locks or upgrade credentials, networking options or software without replacing the locks. Such upgrades can be as easy as changing a module."

Components that have been traditionally located around the door are now integrated into the lock itself to yield a smarter solution and more value for the investment. While working with the college's existing legacy systems, the new AD-Series locks impart a gateway to future upgrades. Without replacing the lock, or even taking it off the door, administrators can interchange readers and network modules, integrate with existing "one-card" providers as well as Schlage or third party software via the open architecture platform, leverage their existing network infrastructure, easily upgrade from an offline to networked solution, change the credentials they are using at any time and use future innovative technologies as they emerge.

For instance, multiple reader modules give college administrators the option to mix and match credentials as needed. Dual credential readers that request both a card and PIN (personal identification number) can be used to verify identity, asking the user to provide both something they have (credential) and something they know (PIN).

In addition, multiple networking modules, wired and wireless, let administrators implement access control at openings to provide centralized instant lockdown. The wireless networking option allows the opening to be secured while protecting the historic infrastructure on campus and eliminates the need to run wires to every door in residence halls.

Audit trails will document who has gone where and when. The mortise deadbolt yields higher levels of security in residence halls and other sensitive areas, such as research labs. The new locks are also compatible with popular master key systems and all popular exit devices, provide a host of power and cylinder options, offer field configurable settings and include a wide variety of finishes and levers. Battery life is two years with normal usage. The new locks also provide a privacy function for areas requiring discreet notification, such as common area bathrooms.

"Security needs change over time, as does technology," adds Vigue. "The modular design of the new Schlage AD-Series lets colleges and universities adapt to new technologies easily, whether changing credential technologies or networking capabilities.

"Before the new Schlage AD-Series, many institutions often held off on implementing a new security platform because they were worried it would be obsolete within a few years," observes Vigue. "The features that make the AD-Series flexible and adaptable also make them scalable, protecting the college's investment for years to come."

The new locks meet all ANSI/BHMA A156.25 Grade 1 requirements and are UL listed, including UL294.

The new Schlage AD-Series electronic locks begin shipping in December. More information on them is available at www.schlage.com/ad-series.

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