



## Press Release

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

**New AD-Series Electronic Locks Provide Flexibility, Adaptability and Scalability for School Districts**

**First Showings at ASIS and DHI Expositions This Month**

CARMEL, IND. — September 8, 2009 - Ingersoll Rand Security Technologies today announced that administrators in elementary and secondary 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. 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.

“The new Schlage AD-Series locks were designed with the understanding that no two schools or their security applications are the same,” explains Beverly Vigue, Ingersoll Rand Security Technologies vice president, education markets. “While protecting students in their schools is today’s most important security priority, the AD-Series electronic locks also protect the district’s investment. It is easy to add more locks or change credentials, networking options or software without replacing the locks. Upgrades can be as simple as interchanging a module.”

Administrators can configure the new Schlage AD-Series locks to create a custom fit. Components that have been traditionally located around the door have been integrated into the lock itself to yield a smarter solution and more value for the investment. For instance, the locks provide multiple credential reader modules as well as interchangeable offline, wired and wireless networking options so that access control can now be installed at doors where it had been previously unfeasible. The new AD-Series electronic locks are compatible with all master key systems and popular exit

devices, provide a host of power and cylinder options, offer field configurable settings and include a wide variety of finishes and levers, including an antimicrobial coating that reduces the spread of bacteria.

Multiple readers let administrators mix and match credentials as needed. Instead of having to protect perimeter openings and high value asset rooms with networked access control on one software system while less sensitive openings are protected with offline solutions using a different software system, the new AD-Series lets a school district manage all doors with one database in one software system.

When budgets allow, offline locks can be seamlessly upgraded to a fully networked hardwired/wireless solution so that administrators can lock down the entire facility instantly, manage access rights quickly and decrease the security threats of unauthorized people. Audit trails will document who has gone where and when. The mortise deadbolt yields higher levels of security for high-value locations, such as computer rooms and music rooms.

“Security needs change over time, as does technology,” adds Vigue. “With the AD-Series, school districts can deploy an adaptable access control solution today while being ready for whatever the future holds.”

The open architecture platform and modular design of the new Schlage AD-Series lets users adapt to new technologies easily, whether changing credential technologies or networking capabilities. Without replacing the lock, or even taking it off the door, users can upgrade readers and network modules and use future innovative technologies as they emerge.

“Before the new Schlage AD-Series, many users often held off on implementing a new security platform because they were worried that 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 a user’s investment for years to come.”

With the AD-Series, school districts can easily grow their systems in size and complexity as needs change. The wireless networking option allows the opening to be secured while protecting the historic infrastructure on campus and eliminates the need to run wires through cinderblock. Battery life is two years with normal usage. The AD-Series locks also provide a privacy function for areas requiring discreet notification, such as common area bathrooms.

The new locks meet all ANSI/BHMA A156.25 Grade 1 requirements and are UL listed, including UL294. A variety of finishes and levers compliment any environment.

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

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