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for schools



Sandbach School in Cheshire uses VeriCool's biometric Cashless Catering to increase throughput and encourage healthy eating amongst students.

Sandbach school in Sandbach is a specialist arts college serving around 1100 boys aged 11-18. The school needed to increase throughput on the 55 minute lunch break. In 2007 it was decided to move to a Cashless Catering system.

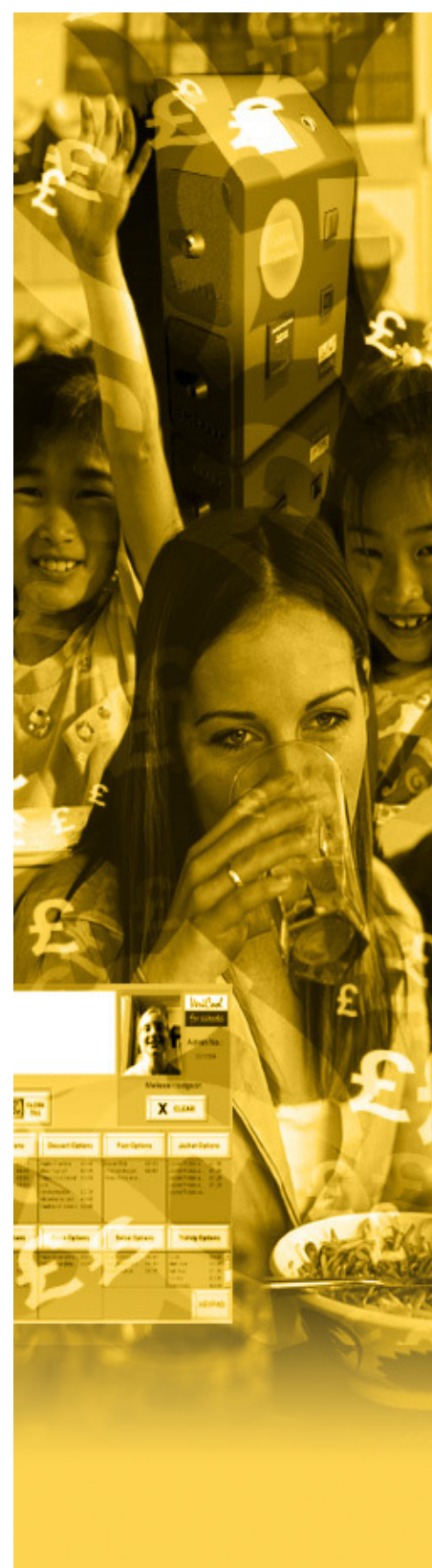
The Senior leadership team had a very clear set of key objectives:

- Reduce the strain on till operators, whilst reducing the queuing time for both staff and students.
- "Capture" the money pupils were spending on unhealthy snacks on the way to and from school— therefore increasing canteen sales.
- Remove as far as possible the need for cash within the canteen—thereby reducing the cash handling duties of the Administration team and removing the opportunity for cash related bullying.


The senior leadership team also had a very clear set of criteria:

- The system had to interface with Parent Pay
- The system needed to offer a database that interfaced with the school MIS and other application without the need for re-enrolment
- The system had to be cost effective
- The chosen provider must have been strongly recommended by other existing users
- The provider had to be pro-active pre and post installation.

The good news for Sandbach was that VeriCool could help with all of their key aims and objectives with its Biometric Cashless Catering system. We offer fast, safe and secure in-house biometrics. The interface is ergonomically designed and easy for staff to use, whilst the scanner offers a fun alternative to money for both staff and students. Menus can be changed at the touch of a button with reports showing the Catering team exactly how many items have been sold. FSM students are processed in the same way as all other account users, so any stigma is removed, again increasing uptake and profitability. VeriCool offers an excellent range of detailed reports at the touch of a button, giving complex analysis in an instant.



“ The support we received from the VeriCool Team who were on-site in the days leading up to and during “go live” was invaluable, they guided us through what could have been a far more stressful period”



Euan Eimrie the Business Manager at Sandbach had this to say” **Since the installation of VeriCool in 2007 we have seen a steady increase in the revenue of our canteen of around 27% , we are also able to serve 90% of our pupils and staff within 30 minutes whilst at break time we see around 400 pupils pass through in less than 20 minutes. This was achieved within 3 days of going live. The VeriCool link to Parent Pay is also a boon, with around 40% of parents now choosing to pay on-line by debit or credit card. The catering team much prefer the cashless environment and working with EPOS type tills has made their jobs much easier”**

Catering Manager Clare Duvall has this to say about VeriCool’s Cashless Catering **“VeriCool has had a very positive impact on the catering operation at Sandbach school. Not only are queues reduced but we are able to serve more boys, with sales up around 25%. Administration time has also been cut by over 2 hours every day as we no longer have to manually cash up 8 tills”**

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