

Dear Parents and Guardians,

It is my hope that this email finds you and your loved ones well. We are a month into the start of the school year and we are pleased that we have safely opened our school. The challenge is to stay this course. In order for this to keep working, we need everyone's 100 % cooperation. It is unfortunate that we have students that have not picked up their textbooks and/or created their Loughlin email accounts. This creates unnecessary challenges for students and teachers. If you need textbooks or email support contact us ASAP.

The safety of all members of our community has been at the heart of every decision we have made with regard to our hybrid model. To date it has worked well. In an effort to stay safe, we have tested all teachers and staff twice. In both cases, all tests came back negative. We will continue to test teachers and staff. We are also going to start testing students. The test is safe and easy. It is a saliva test and not the Q-tip test. If you have any questions or concerns about the test email them to us. We are taking this step to reduce the spread of the virus. The only way this will be effective is if we test 100 % of students attending school. This is where we need 100 % cooperation from parents. Last week, we distributed permission slips to students in our hybrid model. On Friday, we only received a small percentage of permission slips back. We will start testing tomorrow. Any student that is not tested will not be able to attend school on their day. They will have to go to the full remote model. If you wish for your teenager to stay in the hybrid model, please return a signed permission slip Tuesday or Wednesday.

We are living in challenging times. Here at Loughlin we are doing everything possible for our students to achieve a high quality college preparatory education in a safe environment. Everyone plays a role in accomplishing this goal. Together we can and together we will meet this challenge for the benefit of our students.

Thank you & stay safe!

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