



International Polytechnic High School

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Dear IPoly Families,

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It is with much excitement and enthusiasm that we at IPoly welcome you back for the upcoming 2022–2023 school year. I hope you are having a wonderful summer. Our campus is alive with activity; students of all grades levels have been involved in courses such as CTE Digital Photography, Graphic Design, Game Design, and Mt. SAC college classes. We are in the process of upgrading our wireless network, phone system, and website as well as thoroughly cleaning the classrooms and campus. Students are also diligently working to decorate and prepare the campus for the first day of school and are planning activities to welcome new and returning students. I look forward to serving as your Principal and working with all families to make this an amazing year.

To our new students and their families, welcome to IPoly. We have had the opportunity to meet you virtually through interviews and have met many of you through our summer program. Attending a new school and making new friends can be a little scary. We are confident you will begin making friends in your houses, project groups and electives from day one. We can't wait to have you begin your IPoly journey. And parents we haven't forgotten you. This year, as guidelines for in-person gatherings are relaxed, we anticipate having both informative and social events for parents to connect. This includes the New Family Orientation scheduled for Saturday, August 6 at 9am.

As we continually strive to improve IPoly's dynamic learning environment, change is inevitable. To that end, we are in the process of adding some new faces to the IPoly family, including a Receptionist and Administrative Aide, in order to better serve our students and families. We are also in the process of hiring a new English teacher and a new Social Studies teacher. We wish the best of luck to 12th grade English teacher Mrs Collette (starting a family), 9th Grade Social Science teacher Mr Nam (relocating to the East Coast with his wife), Registrar Adrine Shelton (retiring after 22 years), and Accountant Evelyn Gonzalez (getting a promotion). They and their contributions to IPoly will be greatly missed.

We at IPoly believe student and family involvement is essential. To improve communication between the school and families, we would like to offer a few reminders to check Aeries Student and Parent Portals frequently, read ParentSquare announcements, which was invaluable last year, and visit the IPoly website, which will have weekly calendar updates. This year we will provide trainings for parents on Naviance, college enrollment, parenting workshops and more. Additionally, please be sure to join our PTSA, as they are a vital component in ensuring the success of our students and school.

Registration Week will be held July 25–29 (see enclosed schedule). The registration process should take approximately two hours to complete. A parent or guardian **MUST** accompany each student, because some stations require parent-specific information and signatures. Be sure to complete all required forms prior to registration to speed up the process. Additional information that will be provided at a later date including:

- 2022-2023 Student Handbook
- School Supplies for each grade level
- IPoly Online Store
- 2022 School Photos
- 2022-2023 Activity Calendar

We appreciate the commitment it takes to have your child attend IPoly, which in turn inspires us to do everything we can to prepare your student to achieve their goals and aspirations. The partnership between students, parents and IPoly faculty and staff creates a sense of family. At Registration Week, we are excited to welcome you to the IPoly family for the 2022–2023 school year.

I feel extremely fortunate to be working with such an exceptional group of students, families, faculty, and staff members. Thank you again for your support of our students, our campus, and our community! Together we will make this a year to remember.

Sincerely,

Ms. Ginger Merritt-Paul
Principal

