



## **Statement from Oxford School**

Oxford School is located in Rowland Heights, California, rated one of the safest cities in the United States. Rowland Heights also has a thriving Asian community. We celebrated our 20th Anniversary last year. Our school has an excellent reputation for providing a rigorous education and also for having high behavioral standards. Our Staff is well qualified and our courses are approved by the University of California A-G system. We are fully accredited and after graduation, our students attend many top universities. About 1/3 of our students attend the University of California and the rest attend other four year universities and other colleges. Our graduation rate is 96% and 95% of our seniors continue on to a college or university. Those numbers are very high BECAUSE of the support we give each student. (Please see attached list of university acceptances)

Most private schools in Los Angeles (and around the United States) have international students and most of them also live in a homestay arrangement. Oxford is not unique when it comes to hosting international students. We are unique when it comes to the amount of support and training our parents, guardians, homestays, staff and students receive. All members of our learning community receive a great deal of support and training through workshops and meetings.

Our students also receive a great deal of support and training to help them understand the challenges and joys of being an international student. Our staff to student ratio is 1:10, which is very low for a high school. We purposely keep our student body number low to ensure the safety and well-being of each student and to provide the support our international students need. Our students are not left to fend for themselves. Our staff and guardians work together as a team to support each student.

We have a zero tolerance for bullying and bad behavior which is why we expelled a student two years ago for her behavior. She has recently been in the news for an incident she was involved in during April. She is not our student at the time and as we mentioned above, we expelled her from our school two years ago. Because she was a student here two years ago, our school was mentioned in several news articles. Please know that we took that situation very seriously and have created a safe and comfortable place for our students, which include a security guard and security cameras.