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I would like to express my thanks to you for your understanding and cooperation with yesterday's visit from the state legislators. I have been working with various people to keep Girard as low-keyed as possible. I remind them often that we are a school and should not be disrupted. This is very difficult when 20 people are on tour and walk through classes, dorms, athletic facilities, libraries, etc. to observe a "normal" day. I will do my best to keep disruption to a minimum, but there are times I have little control over the visits.

I am very proud of the work that you do, not only in classes and sections, but in support of the students and educational program as well. We really do work as a team and that's the only way we will achieve our goals for the students and the school.

I suspect we will have several visits/tours this term; I will try to keep them to a minimum and try

to let us function as "normally" as possible (at this point I'm not even sure what that is). Maybe all of this will prepare us to be a demonstration school and a national model for residential education.

Thanks for everything. Way to go, team!

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