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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Southlands Christian Schools places high priority on school safety and we continually strive to seek new ways to enhance our school safety operations. In an effort to keep you informed, we have listed several safety measures currently in place which are designed to safeguard students and staff. As always, we welcome your comments and would be delighted to discuss any ideas or concerns you may have regarding the matter of school safety or emergency preparedness.

SCS implements the following safety measures:

- **Campus Safety Department:** The security guards patrol the campus, secure the perimeter of the school, monitor outside activity in surrounding areas. They watch for and report irregularities such as security breaches, facility and safety hazards, and emergency situations. In addition, they contact emergency responders, such as police, fire, and/or ambulance personnel, as required.
- **Visitor Registry:** All visitors have to register with the front office before having access to the buildings; this is currently done with the Swipe On System. Our team of security guards enforce this policy by ensuring that each visitor on campus is registered and has a visitor badge.
- **24 hours Surveillance System:** We have over 30 digital cameras throughout campus to monitor activities inside administrative offices and outside buildings.
- **Controlled Access:** All entry gates are monitored by a security guard. In addition, all classroom doors are locked during school hours. This allows for quicker response time in the event of a lockdown emergency.
- **Emergency Training:** Our Campus Safety Department leads and conducts various emergency training sessions. Such training includes "evacuation," for fire emergencies; and "lockdown".
- **Crisis Planning Team:** Our Campus Safety Dpt. and School administrators evaluate school safety and emergency procedures throughout the year. We evaluate existing procedures and evaluate new tools. Our goal is to implement more effective and efficient ways to protect our students and staff.
- **Crisis Communications Plan:** SCS has a robust system in place whereby key administrators are informed of an emergency situation. We currently are using two alert systems:
  - 1) Alert Solutions: to update parents regarding a situation on campus.
  - 2) Lockdown Alert: "LOKDOWN", a panic button system that alerts all first responders and all faculty/staff.

At Southlands Christian Schools, your children come first. Thank you for entrusting them to our care. Our school Administration is currently considering other options to enhance our existing campus safety program. SCS will continue to strive to have the people, processes, infrastructure, and emergency plans in place throughout our school to help safeguard your children.

Respectfully,

Glenn Duncan  
President/CEO

"Educating students  
in excellence and  
integrity, to lead and  
impact society by  
fulfilling their destiny for  
the glory of God."