

August 31st, 2021

Dear Families and Guardians,

My name is Julia Enriquez and I am a student in the teacher education program (ETEP) at the University of Southern Maine. I am *so* excited to have begun my internship placement in your child's classroom at Yarmouth High School under the guidance of Sarah Harrington and David Pearl, and am thrilled that I get to be a member of this incredible community for the next year. I graduated from the University of Southern Maine with a Bachelor's degree in Geography-Anthropology and received my Master's in Anthropology from Brandeis University, and hope to carry these perspectives into my social studies teaching. Outside of academics I enjoy hiking and try to take advantage of all the outdoor activities that Maine has to offer.

I have known for a very long time that I wanted to teach and feel incredibly lucky that I get to be a part of your child's learning. During my time as a student teacher, I have been taking coursework necessary to receive certification as a secondary social studies teacher. To that end, for the first half of the year I will be observing the students and getting to know them as learners as well as familiarizing myself with the daily practices and planning that goes into teaching and tracking student progress.

As a developing professional, I want to thank you for the opportunity to learn from your child. I also want to assure you that I will keep all information confidential and that your child will not be personally identifiable in the assignments I complete for my courses. Any photos or videos taken will be shared with colleagues and supervisors for educational purposes. If you do not wish to have your child included in any pictures, please return the opt-out form attached to the bottom of this letter or you may email me to opt-out. Otherwise, thank you for your participation!

Sincerely,

Julia Enriquez

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Photo/Video Opt-Out Form

I DO NOT wish to have my child photographed or videotaped for educational purposes or job portfolios.

Student's Name (please print) _____

Guardian's Signature _____