Dear Student,

Welcome to the hybrid version of Math 070 at College of the Canyons. My name is Ana Palmer and I will be the instructor for the course. The purpose of this letter is to give you an overview of the course which hopefully will help you decide if online learning is suitable for your needs.

The course is designed to develop intermediate algebra skills, including solving systems using substitution, eliminations, matrices, and determinants, working with second degree equations in one unknown, applying function notation and operations, finding inverse, domain and range of functions, graphing linear, quadratic, simple polynomial, exponential, logarithmic functions and conic section, working with quadratic and rational inequalities, applying rules of exponents to work with fractional exponents, add, subtract, multiply, and divide radicals, including work with radicals having different indices.

The textbook for this course is: *Elementary & Intermediate Algebra* by Sullivan (3rd edition)

There are two options for accessing the textbook. First, you can find it bundled with MyMathLab Student Access Kit at COC Bookstore ISBN: 9781269361842. The cost can range from $127-$169. The second option is to just purchase a MyMathLab Access Code from Pearson’s website [www.mymathlab.com](http://www.mymathlab.com) when you register for the course. With this option you can access the textbook online and will not have a hard copy of the textbook. The cost is about $90.00. Most students seem to prefer option number 2. **If you took online Math 060 during spring 2014, you do not need to purchase another Student Access Kit. Your access is valid for one year.**

The only required material for the course is MML student access code mentioned above and a valid COC email account. Without the access code and a valid email account, you will not be able to access the course.

Please check my homepage [http://www3.canyons.edu/Faculty/palmera/](http://www3.canyons.edu/Faculty/palmera/) as of Monday, August 25th, to find additional information about this course. **Mandatory** on-campus course orientation will be held on Saturday, August 30th, 10:30am-12:55pm, in CCC-202. **If you do not attend the orientation, you will be dropped from the course.**

You will have online lectures, homework, tests as well as face-to-face meetings and tests. For all face-to-face meetings a valid identification will be required or you will not be allowed to take the tests. The on-campus test days are: September 13th, October 4th, October 18th, November 1st,
November 22\textsuperscript{nd}, and December 13\textsuperscript{th}. Please mark your calendars, so you won't miss those days as make-up test will not be allowed.

We will be using Blackboard course management system for this course. Additional information will be discussed during the Orientation on Thursday, August 28\textsuperscript{th}.

The Student Learning Outcome for Math 070 is:

- Solve radical, quadratic, logarithmic, and exponential equations

If you are a DSPS student, you may qualify for additional time taking your tests. Please share with me the accommodations letter so I can help you accordingly.

If you have any questions about the course, please feel free to contact me at: 
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