

Students Respond to Mass Email Containing Intimate Photographs

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Reeling from the mass-release of seven students' intimate photographs, the students of St. Joseph's High School are divided in opinion. While some express sympathy for the students involved, others are not so sure they agree with that mentality.

"All I'm saying is that the girls probably should've known better," a sophomore who requested to remain anonymous said. "Just keep your face out of the picture, you know? Easy."

Ricky DiMarco, senior, had a slightly different sentiment. "At least most of the girls are hot. It could be worse."

During a school-wide assembly, Principal Yanick stressed that the St. Joseph's administration is searching for the perpetrator who is going by the name 'Eros.'

"If you are found to have any connection to distributing this email, you will be punished," she said. "This is final. No argument. St. Joseph's has a hard zero-tolerance stance on the distribution of pornography on school servers."

It has been stated that the Greenville Police Department is involved in the investigation, although it is unclear what they have found or if they have any leads. When asked for comment, they said they could not release any information on an on-going investigation.

In terms of resources, St. Joseph's is offering open office hours with the guidance counselor, Dr. Patterson, and is providing additional support to specifically the seven girls who were victimized by the email. Multiple sources, including Alice Huey and Vera Porfirio—both seniors who had photos leaked—said that the school administration stated via email that they would listen to and respond to the needs of the girls. St. Joseph's has not elaborated on what this means.

For now, the most obvious theme is that the email—being referred to colloquially by students as 'Nudegate'—has negatively impacted the girls involved.

"This isn't something I'm going to forget," Huey said. "We can all graduate and move on, but I will never, ever forget that this happened. And I will never, ever forgive who did this."

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