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Dear Parents/Guardians:

As we close the school year on Friday, June 19th, I would like to thank our teachers, administrators, parents and students for their resilience over the past several months. We have all been presented with many challenges by the COVID-19 pandemic and the school closure in March. The closure, and in a larger sense the pandemic, has created a wide range of emotions and feelings, all that are understandable and appreciated. Parents, teachers, and staff have shared a wide range of opinions about our Remote Learning Plan, some feeling that it was overwhelming and too much, others feeling like we did not do enough, and many appreciative of the efforts of the teachers and administrators for their level of connection and communication with students and families. I do know that everyone in the Carver school community worked hard to continue the educational process and make connections for our students throughout these challenges, for that I say thank you to all families, students and staff.

I have already started to receive many questions about what the fall will look like. The Commissioner of Education plans on releasing guidance for the fall within the next week. I am in the process of establishing a Re-opening Committee to review the guidance and begin to plan for a return to school in the fall. The Re-opening Committee will have 4 sub-committees:

Teaching and Learning • Student Support Services • Operations and Facilities • Scheduling

The committees will have wide representation from all constituents of the Carver Public School, teachers, administrators, staff members, parents and students. We have also invited town officials, including the Health Agent, and representatives from the police and fire departments.

When the initial guidance is released by the Department of Education, I will share it with the school community with a general summary of the key provisions. The committees will be working as soon as the guidance is released and throughout the summer to develop and finalize the plan for the return to school in the fall. We will share the final plan with the community as soon as it is completed.

Thank you for your continued support.

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