Dear Parents,

My team and I have been busily preparing for any potential school interruptions. We are confident that, should the normal flow of classes need to be changed, we will have the tools in place for your daughters and their teachers to continue their work in a productive fashion. This letter is to update you on a few of those preparations and to ask for your assistance.

As you know, Carrollton is a "one to one" environment. This means that for those of you whose daughters do not have a personal device (Grades 1-5), Carrollton has a device that will be available to your child to work on from home. The advantage of such a program is that the device your daughter will receive will be the same device that she works on in her classroom daily. For any students who have a device in need of repair, we will have a loaner pool available and more information on that program will be shared with you should our circumstances require it. Additionally, our faculty are working closely with the technology team on utilizing our existing resources (the myCarrollton portal, Google GSuite, Microsoft Office 365, etc) to develop a comprehensive plan for day to day teaching.

Internet access will be an important element of any contingency plan for blended learning. In an attempt to ensure our students success in this situation, I am asking that you reach out to me (jcarver@carrollton.org) if you do not have internet access in your home. Please keep in mind that most cellular phone contracts now include the free option of converting your phone to a hotspot. If you have a phone that can provide a hotspot to a laptop without creating an additional financial burden, there is no need for you to reply. Thank you for taking the time to read and respond as needed.

Sincerely,

Joseph Carver
Director of Technology