Dear Carle Place Families

We regret to inform you that we have made the extremely difficult decision to delay in person instruction for all buildings until further notice. This decision was made in conjunction with the Department of Health, who will help us determine when students can safely return to in person instruction.

As you know, many of the positive COVID-19 cases appear to be related to attendance at end of summer parties. Since our last communication with you, we have learned that some of those testing positive have had close or proximate contact with other students throughout our district. As such, we have no choice but to put the safety of our staff and students first. As we are learning the hard way, the actions of a few can impact the many. Please, be sure to practice social distancing protocols: refrain from large indoor gatherings, stay six feet apart, and wear a mask.

While we are deeply disappointed that we will not be opening in person, our many, many hours of preparation have us ready to begin instructing our students remotely immediately beginning September 9. You should receive schedules and log in information from your child’s teacher tomorrow. If you are a student attending private or parochial school, transportation will be provided. Students who need access to meals will also be accommodated.

As your superintendent, I have five goals this year:

1) Keep everyone as safe as I can
2) Keep everyone as calm as I can
3) Keep everyone feeling cared for
4) Keep everyone smiling (even if we are learning remotely)
5) Keep everyone learning.

In that order, especially in times like these.
We will bounce back from this set back, and look forward to seeing smiling faces on our new devices on Wednesday. Be well, and be safe.

Sincerely,

Christine A. Finn, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools