

CARMAN-AINSWORTH COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

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Dear Carman-Ainsworth Families and Staff,

As we wrap up the transition of our most educationally vulnerable and youngest learners to a face-to-face learning environment, I am proud, but not surprised, to report our staff and students have risen to the challenge! Students and staff are excited and have been diligently following safety protocols.

Our teachers have been connecting with students face-to-face, on-line and virtually and we are so grateful for the time and passion they have put forth in guiding our students through this challenging time, always striving to do what is best for students.

Through all of the remote learning processes, we continue to focus on meeting the academic, social and emotional needs of all students. Of course there are challenges, but we choose to focus on the positive. New technology skills have been learned that might not otherwise have been explored and meeting with smaller groups of students allows for more in-depth learning. Even more important are the relationships which have been developed. Remote learning has strengthened the bridge between school and families.

At this time, we will maintain the status quo and continue remote learning for our secondary students. Secondary students are continuing to adapt, however, we are aware that student learning also involves a social aspect which is lacking. While our goal is face-to-face learning for all students, this decision best supports the health and safety of students and staff.

To protect the health of our school community and per the Emergency Order issued by the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, requiring Reporting of Confirmed and Probable Cases of COVID-19 at Schools, Carman-Ainsworth will use the district website (www.carman.k12.mi.us – **Current COVID-19 Data Dashboard**) to provide Public Notice to our School Community regarding School Associated Cases of COVID-19. Within 24 hours of being notified of a School Associated Case by the Genesee County Health Department, the dashboard will be updated to include new and cumulative COVID-19 case counts. Following notification of a probable or positive case, the district will disinfect applicable areas of the school building. This may include spraying classrooms, hallways, locker rooms, and common areas, as needed, with a sanitizer, along with other methods of disinfection.

We continue to stress that to ensure students attend school only when they are feeling well and free of COVID-19 symptoms, parents/guardians need to conduct daily health screening on each child prior to them attending school.

This year has been like no other due to the COVID-19 pandemic. But we have persevered and all of us have become learners. While the learning environment is not perfect, everyone is working toward the best instructional method for each student. As I have said before, when we work together, we can do anything. Thank you for your patience, compassion, and resilience, together we will all succeed.

Stay Safe. Stay Healthy. Stay CA Strong.

Please contact me with any questions.

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