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Dear Parents and Guardians:

I hope this message finds you and your family well, and that you are managing the challenging times we are currently living in without too much difficulty.

The School District of Philadelphia recently announced that students will not be returning to school this school year. As a result, we are expanding our remote learning resources. Our assistant principals, school leaders, and teachers are collaborating with the school district to improve the remote learning experience for our students. Your support and involvement will be a valuable contribution to our remote teaching practices and the enormous effort required to support your children in accessing lessons and assignments.

We acknowledge that we cannot replicate what traditionally is done in a classroom through remote learning. Much thought is being given to how we will support our students and families during this extraordinary time. We recognize that there will be many challenges; our entire school staff is working hard every day to address issues as they arise and to build capacity in terms of technology, guidelines and expectations, and resources. We have put in place many online supports for teachers, students, parents, and families.

All of our teachers have created Google Classroom sites that students can access by signing in at [philasd.org](https://philasd.org) with their ID and password, the same way they log into Lexia and i-Ready. Every teacher has a schedule posted and offers 3 hours a day of office hours for students. The school district has created a Continuity of Education Plan, including instruction with standards-aligned content, support, and learning tasks. We also have staff members who will check in on students and offer support when needed.

To give you a central location for accessing information and make it easier for you to get updates and information regularly on our school website, we have created an Online Resources page. You can access this page by clicking the Online Resource page tab on our main website, or using this link to reach it directly: <https://carnell.philasd.org/online-resources/>.

Our teachers and staff members are excited about the virtual learning spaces they have created and hope our students are able to take full advantage of them. Using the online resources provided, each student is expected to participate in remote learning each school day, Monday through Friday, request support from their teachers, and complete assigned tasks as determined by the teacher.

Please know that we are here working to support you and your child(ren). If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,  
Hilderbrand Pelzer III