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Dear Comet Families,

In this letter, I wanted to take the opportunity to solicit feedback and address communication. The formal process of providing the school with feedback is upon us. SCPS is soliciting feedback from parents through a system called the **Snap Shot Survey**. Responses to the Snap Shot Survey will be used in the creation of a new, more transparent school report card that will feature a snapshot of parent, student and school staff perceptions, as well as other critical data points. This Snap Shot Survey will be a short survey in which parents will be asked about their overall impressions of Carillon Elementary. The link for is now live. Please check our website and social media for additional information, but know that all responses are collected anonymously and no personally identifiable information will be included. To take the survey, utilize this link.

[2018-19 Snap Shot Parent](#)

As mentioned above, students play a part in this feedback process as well. Our fourth and fifth graders will be given the Snapshot Survey, as well as another survey instrument called the 5 Essentials. Information about those surveys can be found on our website and specific information was sent home with fourth and fifth grade students earlier. Instructional staff members also take the Snapshot Survey and a version of the 5 Essentials.

Your feedback is important to our school and to me as the school principal. I am very proud of our facility, our faculty/staff, and especially our students. My hope is that you are too. If you are, please consider using the Snap Shot Survey as a sounding board to promote the amazing aspects of our school. If there is something you see as an opportunity for improvement, please consider using the Snap Shot Survey, as well as touching base with me. The results from mass surveys oftentimes come out well after an issue was an issue. The sooner I can receive the information, the sooner I can take action.

I like to think of myself as being very open, available, and accessible. However, I know that my perception could be very different from your perception. For example, most days, I'm out at the main carline helping with that aspect of dismissal. For those parents, I may be very visible, while parents in the PLC carline may think I'm not visible at all. Most know that I have an open door policy. But, in case you didn't, please consider this an invitation to come talk with me, email me, call me, or stop me at one of our events.

We have a very big elementary school, but my goal is have us feel like a smaller school- a place where your child gets individualized attention. Because of our size and all that we offer, we have a lot going on a regular basis. For example, just this last Saturday, we had students participating in a Cross Country Meet, a Math Team Competition, and a World Languages Festival. That wasn't even a school day! To help coordinate all that goes on, we try to communicate in a variety of ways and formats, including this monthly letter. I hope that you have found a few that work for you and your family.

We continuously aim to ensure that we are providing your children with opportunities they will need to be successful, not only in school, but in their future. These opportunities are made better by the continuous feedback from members of our school community and our families. With your help and partnership, Carillon Comets will keep ROCKing for a long, long time.

Sincerely,

Dr. Windish

Daniel H. Windish, Ed.D.
Principal

