



Dear Caroline Community,

We have heard from many families and people in the Caroline community about their sense of frustration with the process and communication about our Caroline water lead levels. We have received the latest water results from the school district and they are concerning.

The PTA is currently organizing a working group on water.

This group is tasked with gathering Caroline Elementary School community feedback and communicating with the ICSD on behalf of our community. We want to provide direct feedback as well as suggestions on further testing and follow up. The group is also charged with communicating steps and process with the various stakeholders at Caroline.

We believe this working group on water will empower our families and people at the school and focus our energies and desires to do something and be part of the solution. While parents may choose to communicate, on their own, directly with the ICSD administration and board, this process is intended to provide leadership in partnership with our principal and district and to harness the power of our collective voice as a means of ensuring our input is considered seriously. We want our community to come together in a productive way to improve the process moving forward. We believe a focused working group of Caroline school stakeholders will help strengthen our trust relationship with the district and strengthen our Caroline community.

The PTA has been in touch with Principal Mary Grover on this issue since the initial results of the 2nd round of testing were communicated about two weeks ago. It is important to know that Principal Grover was informed at the same time parents were, and not in August when the initial samples were taken. Since finding out about these results, Principal Grover has advocated for our school with ICSD to ensure every water source was tested and that portable water was made available for anyone in the school (teachers) who wanted it at that time and before it was required.

We agree that our principal, families, teachers and anyone in the Caroline school community should have been notified in August, and that safety measures and follow-up testing should have been planned. The failures of process and communication are among the issues we need to have addressed for the future, along with any actions required to address the elevated lead levels.

As the district works to come up with an initial plan, we need the Caroline community's input to be conveyed in an organized fashion that truly represents our needs and expectations. We want to move forward. Please send any initial comments or feedback to us at president@carolinepta.org. You will be hearing from us often and we look forward to partnering with the Caroline community on this issue.

Thank you, Caroline Elementary, community for being amazing, resilient, and invested.

Sincerely,

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We are collecting feedback from our Caroline Elementary Community concerning the events and results around water testing that was done at Caroline Elementary. Your feedback will be compiled and presented to ICSD and other stakeholders at Caroline Elementary. It is our hope that we can come together as a community to support our school and bring about change.

What questions do you have concerning the water at Caroline Elementary that you would like answered?

Do you have any other comments or feedback you would like to share?

Please return this form to the Caroline PTA mailbox in the main office. You can also log in and complete this questionnaire online.

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