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Dear Carteret Schools Community,

After careful consideration, Carteret Public Schools has canceled the fall athletic season, as well as marching band. This is primarily as a precautionary measure to mitigate any potential transmission of COVID-19.

We realize this is not a popular decision and that our student athletes and musicians may be disappointed. However, we firmly believe our first obligation is to ensure the safety of our students and staff.

We sincerely hope the NJSIAA considers other options to ensure our athletes have an opportunity to safely participate in sports programs at a more appropriate time.

Carteret Schools remains committed to offering a meaningful and comprehensive education and will make every effort to provide students other extracurricular activities to complete their school experience.

Respectfully,

*R. Diaz*

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