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Dear Carderock Families,

In less than 6 months, we will be saying goodbye to Carderock@Radnor and preparing to move back to the new CSES School in August 2010. This is an exciting time for everyone. How many children in these hard times have the opportunity to attend a completely new school with the latest equipment and technology? CSES was originally built in 1966 with no significant renovations since then. We, as current Carderock parents, have an incredible opportunity to shape the future of our school.

Toward this end, the CSES Education Foundation has been working tirelessly to raise funds to benefit all CSES children and advocate on their behalf. The Foundation was formed in 2001 and is made up of parents just like you. To date, the Foundation has worked closely with Montgomery County, staff and teachers at CSES, and the Carderock community, overseeing the construction as well as funding all or part of the **habitat garden, amphitheater, multipurpose room upgrades, electronic bulletin boards, gymnasium backboards, upgraded Carderock school sign, lobby and entryway upgrades, and science room equipment, as well as annually funding the CSES Technology Program.**

But there is still more to do! Our new school may need upgraded playground equipment (think of the Radnor playground), upgrades to the athletic fields, landscaping and plants for the habitat garden, and additional technology for the classrooms. In discussions with other schools having undergone recent renovations, there is always a great need to fill in the gaps that are not covered by Montgomery County. As always, all of the money raised at this year's annual event will go to supporting the school and our students.

The CSES Education Foundation is hosting its annual event to thank Carderock families for their past support and to raise additional funds for the worthy items listed above. This year's event, **March Madness. . . Carderock Style**, is being held on **March 5, 2010** at the Pony Express at the Bolger Center in Potomac, MD. This sports-themed event will include a dinner buffet, open bar, live music, dancing, raffles, exciting give-aways, and silent and live auctions.

We hope you will join us in supporting your child and the Foundation's efforts to raise funds earmarked for this worthy cause. Keep in mind good schools are the key to retaining and increasing property value. Every dollar you give to the Foundation directly benefits your child. Your child will run on the outdoor fields, climb on the playground equipment and learn about nature in the habitat garden. Please use the enclosed forms to become a **March Madness. . . Carderock Style Sponsor** and/or make a donation. If you choose not to become a sponsor, individual tickets for the party will be sold at a later date.

We realize these are very difficult economic times and many worthy charitable organizations are seeking your help. But, we only have this one opportunity to build Carderock the way it should be built and to create an environment worthy of your child and future generations. We hope we can count on your support!

Sincerely,

Stephanie Angrick & Katie Coleman  
Auction Co-Chairs