Dear Parents/Guardians:

As we anticipate virtual instruction days, please have students take the time to practice logging on to his or her device prior to a virtual instructional day. <u>Visit this link</u> to understand when the district would be logging on virtually during inclement weather. We want you and your child to feel comfortable with the process and have practiced it with your school-issued device.

Additional support and guidance will be provided by the teachers. Refer to the grade span-specific details below regarding the login process.

Kindergarten

For kindergartners, parents will receive an email with the login information needed within the coming days. Right now, teachers continue fine-tuning their own skills when it comes to using iPads in instruction. Students in Kindergarten should have received a "Clever" badge (personalized QR code) during the materials and technology pick-up at your school. If your child misplaced their Cleverbadge, please reach out to the classroom or computer teacher to receive an additional copy. In the meantime, you can log on to www.prrams.org to view various apps, links, and help desk information.

Grades 1-3

For children in grades first through third, you should have received a "Clever" badge (personalized QR code) during the materials and technology pick-up at your school. This badge can be held up to your device's web camera as you log on and provides a single-step sign-in to the critical curricular resources for students. If your child misplaced their Cleverbadge, please reach out to the classroom or computer teacher to receive an additional copy. The following step-by-step guide is designed to explain how to connect virtually. Families can log on to www.prrams.org to view various apps, links, and help desk information.

Grades 4-12

You will be logging on to Google Apps directly with your individualized credentials as you have in the past. A separate email that includes student login and password information will be sent to parents of students in Grade 4. The building offices should have provided any new families with their child's unique log-in information. You can log on to www.prrams.org to view various apps, links, and help desk information. Teachers will be assisting students with the logistics of managing the online learning platforms and classroom meetings through either GoogleMeet (Grades 4-12) or Blackboard Collaborate (Grades 7-12).

Bringing Devices to School

Teachers will be leveraging these devices as teaching tools and will be teaching classroom routines and procedures for in-person instruction as well. Plan to have your child(ren) transport the device to and from school safely in their backpack on a daily basis so that it can be used from home and school. Individual teachers will then express their

expectations and preferences for devices in the classroom to families as a part of their communications (e.g. if they're only needed on certain days versus all).

If you have any technology-related questions, please contact the PRSD Technology Department's Student Support Team at (724) 443-1503 OR extension HELP (x4357). You can find the email addresses of teachers <u>via this directory link</u> and school <u>start times via this link</u>.