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Distribution of Learning Packets

Preston Public Schools is pursuing three strategies to encourage a continuity of educational learning experiences for our students:

- (1) Learning Packets developed by teachers are described below by both principals.
- (2) Teachers, support staff, and administrators will continue to work on other virtual options for families and students.
- (3) The Connecticut State Department of Education is also creating a comprehensive resource for further virtual instruction. We will facilitate the distribution of this educational material and information.

Message from Dr. Davis-Tomczuk, PPMS Principal:

This is Ivy Davis-Tomczuk calling to let PPMS parents know that instructional packets will be delivered by Preston bus drivers beginning this afternoon and continuing tomorrow. Packets are in manila envelopes and will be left by mailboxes or in driveways. Going forward, teachers will be reaching out to students through their Google Classroom accounts and via other means of remote contact. Please also be looking for updates on the district website and the superintendent's Facebook page.

Message from Raymond Bernier, PVMS Principal:

This is Ray Bernier, principal of PVMS, with a prerecorded message. I hope all families are safe and prepared for these unprecedented times. Per the Governor's order, PPS will be out of school at a minimum through March 31st. In an effort to maintain some routine and keep students' minds thinking academically, learning packets will be delivered by the transportation garage over the course of the next several days. These packets should be worked on for the remainder of this week and next week. These are intended to provide a quality review. If students are struggling, they should skip that part of the packet and move on (this is NOT intended to create stress). In the next several days, there should be information and guidance from the SDE regarding online learning opportunities, in the event that we are out for a longer duration. The school webpage will have updated information. Feel free to email me with any questions or concerns. As always, thank you for your support.

Remember, if you have any questions, please call or email building leadership or the central office. Be well.

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Superintendent of Schools