

March 22, 2020

Dear North Providence Parents and Guardians,

The North Providence School District has been using G Suite For Education (an education-focused suite of tools and apps developed by Google) for productivity and collaboration as well as several other on line learning platforms.

Due to the governor's decision to temporally close schools to help prevent the spreading of the COVID-19 virus, it has required the North Providence School District to institute a Virtual Learning Plan. This plan will require North Providence students to use a computer device that can operate the Google Platform (Chrome). If a student does not already have a device at home with internet that can log into Google browser, students will be able to obtain a chromebook from the District for use.

As with any school-issued property, students and families will be physically responsible for the Chromebook's care and responsible for any damage to it. We know that technology hardware is fragile and we ask that students take appropriate care of technology provided by the district.

If any damage occurs to the device, please report it to the school principal, and arrangements will be made to fix the device by the Technology Department.

A separate letter has distributed via Skyward with the plan to distribute Chromebooks to students at the former Police and Fire Station at 1967 Mineral Spring Ave on Monday March 23rd and Tuesday March 24th. Students and parents/guardians must read the information provided on [Chromebook usage expectations](#) and sign the [Chromebook Responsibility Agreement](#) before being issued a Chromebook.

For any Parent or Guardian that does not have internet at their home for their child to use, they may contact the school principal, and the District will assist you during this emergency.

Sincerely,

Joseph B. Goho
Superintendent of Schools
North Providence School Department