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Dear Provost Public School Families,

Thank you for your ongoing patience and support as we work through our next steps in learning. The health and safety of our staff and students are of utmost importance. BTPS is dedicated to establishing a safe return to school and continues to work with emergency response services to ensure a safe plan is in place.

As previously communicated, during the week of October 23rd to October 27th, we will move our junior and senior high students to online learning. Grades 1-6 classes will take place at Provost Recreation and Cultural Center. Kindergarten will hold classes in the *family room* at Crescent Point Place. We are beyond grateful for the support the Town of Provost has provided to ensure our kids can continue to learn and come together as a community of learners.

Busses will be dropping off at Crescent Point Place and Provost Recreation and Cultural Center, and picking up at Provost Recreation and Cultural Center only. If your child does not take the bus, please have them come to their respective location. If you need to transport your child to/from school, please park on the north side of Provost Recreation and Cultural Center. Please do not park on the west side, in front of the main entrance, as this may impede the busses and the safety of our students.

Our town has been so gracious to offer learning opportunities within the community. Classes will be visiting the bowling alley, the movie theatre, and have an opportunity to participate in extra scheduled skating times. Please ensure your child has appropriate clothing.

Elementary student locker and desk belongings have been bagged and will be taken to their respective buildings. Our staff will be cleaning any hard surface materials. Personal belongings will be sent home in a large plastic bag. Please note soft surfaces should be cleaned by laundering in a regular hot wash cycle. These items will come home with the recommended cleaning procedure attached.

All junior and senior high lockers have been cleaned, and supplies and belongings have been bagged. Hard surface items will be cleaned at school and placed in one bag. Soft surface/personal items will be placed in a second bag. Soft surface items will need to be laundered at home. In the next couple of days, we will be communicating a timeline for students to pick up their belongings and supplies. Before that time, teachers will be providing learning opportunities using accessible online resources. I will be sending out an email with Google Meet links for all junior and senior high classes. The senior high schedule and links can be found here. This week will focus on core

subjects. Moving forward, all subject areas will be included. If your child does not have sufficient internet connection, please have them come to Provost Recreation and Cultural Center, and we will set them up with an appropriate space.

Our athletic coaches have continued to work hard to ensure our Junior and Senior High sports can continue. We are grateful for the support of St. Thomas Aquinas School for sharing their gym times, so our teams can continue to practice. Coaches will continue to communicate with their teams.

If your child does not have a device that can be used to access online learning, please come to the Provost Recreation and Cultural Centre on Monday between **10:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m**. to sign out a BTPS device. If your child does not have sufficient internet connection, please contact the school, so we can set up a more effective location.

The support of our BTPS staff, PPS staff and families, and the town of Provost has been so appreciated. Please don't hesitate to reach out if you have questions. You can contact the school by calling **780 581 4895 or 780 806 6204**.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Stacy Brouwer

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