



## UPDATE – April 9, 2020– 8:30 AM

Good Morning,

Thank you to the 715 families that responded to our first ever phone survey Tuesday night! We know there were a few glitches, but the survey provided important data as we work to better serve all of you.

Later today we will be providing details regarding phase two of our educational plans for this indefinite school closure to help define what is expected of students in the upcoming weeks. Please watch for this plan as it will include important information for all students.

If you need help with Internet access, several area providers are offering either free services or significant discounts during this closure. Comcast, Verizon, AT&T, and In the Stix Broadband are all offering promotions in our area.

We have reconfigured existing laptops and are ready to begin distribution for students who do not have a device at home to use. We are distributing for **students in grades 9-12 only** in this first round **based on requests received by April 12<sup>th</sup> at 5 pm**. We will continue to work to secure devices for lower grade levels in upcoming weeks. We hope this device access helps our students during this difficult time.

If you are the parent or guardian of a PC High School student that needs a device during this closure to complete PCHS educational activities, **please email [laptop@pcam.org](mailto:laptop@pcam.org) no later than April 12<sup>th</sup> at 5 pm**. Your email must include the student's full name, grade level, and your full name as the approving parent or guardian in the subject line. By sending this email, you are confirming that you are the parent/guardian of the student and assume responsibility, as per PCSD Board Policy #224, for the device being provided. The device may only be used to access Penn Cambria learning activities during this time. The laptop must be returned to Penn Cambria School District within ten days of the end of the school year or when buildings re-open.

If you do not have access to email, you may **call 814-886-5940 no later than 5 pm on April 12th** and leave a message including the full name of the high school student, the grade level, and the full name of the parent/guardian authorizing the request.

Laptops for those that have emailed or called will be available for drive-thru pick up at **PC Middle School in Gallitzin, PA** at the following dates/times. Please have a photo ID ready at the time of pick up.

**Tuesday April 14<sup>th</sup>** from 10 am-2 pm and 4 pm -7 pm

**Wednesday April 15<sup>th</sup>** from 10 am – 2 pm and 4 pm-7 pm

Just a reminder that now is a great time to complete the 2020 Census. That information helps provide services for our communities.

Stay safe everyone and Happy Easter!

*William W. Marshall*

Superintendent

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