

# Chief Joseph Elementary School Family Bulletin 4.14.2020

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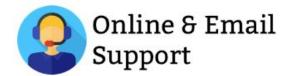
#### Good Afternoon!

I certainly miss being at school, and connecting with students, and our community.

I'm sure some of you are feeling overwhelmed with PPS communication, and unclear about how to best support your students with distance learning. As you probably know, make the decisions that are right for you and your family. These are unusual times, and focusing on the emotional and physical wellbeing of yourself and your family is most important. We are here to provide support and options, so please don't hesitate to reach out.

Here's a quick summary of information:

- Teachers are working to clarify the most important learning tasks, labeling them as "essential", "required", or "must do". Have your student focus on these first. "Supplemental" or "Optional" assignments are for students and families who would like more.
- If you are having difficulty with logging in, or accessing applications, you can find information at the <u>PPS</u> <u>Student Parent Portal</u>. Including the online support linked to the image below.
- Click the image below for quick guides to the many applications.



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# Does your family need internet access?

Click <u>here</u>:



## **Library Corner**

#### Accessing Books

#### eBooks

The district library has been busy getting us access to online books! There are several ways to access these for free!

- 1. <u>Destiny</u>: This is our school catalog. Students can use their school username and passwords (see more info below about username) to log in to our school library catalog and scroll down to e-books to search what is available for them to check out.
- 2. There are several options on our <u>Chief Joseph library page</u>; including TumbleBooks, TumbleMath, TeenBookCloud, and Mrs. Hall's Only2clicks website that includes many more audio book links.
- 3. <u>Multnomah Co. Library</u> is offering ebooks to check out online! If you don't already have a library account, you can sign up for one online.

### Resources

#### Food

Households financially impacted by the Coronavirus (COVID-19) may be able to qualify for The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP). SNAP offers food benefits to eligible, low-income individuals and families. Find out if you are eligible and how to apply for food benefits. Food Benefits - Food Benefits

<u>Mainspring Portland</u> is a food pantry located in NE Portland that is open to ANYONE! This is an open air, farmers market style, self selection food pantry with safe social distancing.

ADDRESS: 3500 NE 82nd Ave, Portland, OR 97220 HOURS: Monday-Wednesday: 9:30am - 12 ish Thursday: 9:30-late afternoon Jefferson High School Food Pantry ADDRESS: 5210 N Kerby Ave, Portland, OR 97217 HOURS: Tuesday:1pm-3pm Friday: 1pm-3pm

Direct link to additional resources:

- Hunger Free Oregon Website
- <u>Sunshine Division</u> THEY WILL NOW DELIVER FOOD BOXES TO THOSE WHO CAN NOT LEAVE THEIR HOMES - CLICK <u>HERE</u>!
- Oregon Food Bank

Housing & Utilities

- Multnomah County has declared a moratorium on evictions for non-payment of rent due to wage loss resulting from COVID-19. You can find more information <u>here.</u>
- Community Alliance of Tenants: CAT educates, organizes and develops the leadership of low-income tenants to directly challenge unjust housing policies and practices. The website contains a wealth of renters' rights information, and CAT has a renter's rights hotline at: (503) 288-0130 to answer questions. They have help in multiple languages. <u>https://www.oregoncat.org/</u>

# Contribute

Many of you have asked about how to support our community. You can contribute directly to our school, through our PTO, by selecting the "backpack program" from the dropdown menu. Click <u>here for the PTO website.</u>

You can also help our Portland Public Schools respond to the needs of students, families, and school communities during this unprecedented school closure. While public dollars are currently covering the cost of maintaining basic nutrition services at <u>a number of school sites</u>, we know that the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic will be felt more broadly across our school communities. Please consider making a donation at: <u>https://fundforpps.org/cv19relief</u>

You can also support directly through many of the websites above.