# Prince Hall School 6101 Gratz Street Philadelphia PA 19141 School Number 215-400-3690 Remote Learning Number 215-960-7578

Welcome Prince Hall School Scholars and Families:

We will start this school year different than we ever have before. Although these circumstances were unforeseen and are definitely not ideal, I am optimistic that we are entering the school year on the right track! We miss our scholars tremendously and we had hoped that we would be back in session for September, but for the safety of all of our families, the School District of Philadelphia will be 100% virtual for the first marking period. The building may be closed but Prince Hall School is open for virtual learning! Our teachers are excited about the virtual learning spaces they have created and hope the students will take full advantage of it. Parents, please know that we are here working to support you. This document will help you and your scholar navigate through virtual learning at Prince Hall School.

## The 2020-2021 Virtual Learning Model @ Prince Hall School

## **Attendance**

Every session is mandatory, just like in-person learning. Students not at the Zoom/ Google Meet will be marked absent. If your student is not logged in at the beginning of every class starting with Morning Meeting, you will get a phone call from a school climate support staff member. Attendance will be tracked via Infinite Campus. Continued absences will result in a meeting with Mrs. Ricks, our Climate Manager and an attendance support plan will be created. We need students logged in and learning every day, just like in-person school.

# The Schedule

Students will participate in both live whole-group lessons, live small-group lessons, and pre-recorded lessons. We will use the 5 day model with a <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> day every Friday, meaning live lessons will conclude at noon. Synchronous (live) lessons (both whole-group and small-group) will take place via Zoom. Google Classroom and NearPod will be used as the learning platform for Asynchronous (pre-recorded or self-directed) lessons. Infinite Campus will be used for attendance and grading. Each day starts with a Morning Meeting to build community, relationships and to ensure that all students are present. If your student is not logged in at 8:30 we will reach out. Here below is a sample student schedule:

8:30 – 9:00 – Prince Hall Morning Meeting 9:00 – 10:30 – ELA 10:30 – 12:00 – Math 12:00 – 12:45 – Lunch Break 12:45 – 1:30 – Art/Phys Ed/Comp Tech 1:35 – 2:10 – Social Emotional Lessons 2:10 – 3:05– Science

### **Instruction**

The Prince Hall Staff has been working diligently to create a virtual instruction curriculum to engage scholars. Scholars will take part in daily grade-level instruction. They will participate in rigorous online learning tasks and projects through various interactive learning tools and applications. Lessons will be conducted through the zoom outlet and assignments will be uploaded and submitted through Google classroom. Pre-recorded lessons and webinars will be displayed through our learning platform NearPod.

### **Communication**

As we partner this year, it is vital that the school has an effective way to communicate with you and our scholars. It is important that Prince Hall School has an active email and phone number on file. Please contact our secretary, Mrs. Kellie, at our new number 215-960-7578 in the event that your contact information changes during the school year.

Sincerely, Mrs. Donna Ragsdale, Principal Prince Hall School