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Dear Providence High School Students and Parents,

I am excited that you are beginning the journey into your high school years. As I look back on my own time in high school, I realize what a pivotal phase of life this is – full of fun, challenge, and reward. We are excited to partner with you during these years and anticipate much fun and joy along the way.

Three years ago Providence implemented a program called Connected Learning. The centerpiece of this program is the integration of technology and learning through the use of the iPad in the classroom. The students and teachers have both commented on the educational benefit of this program. A recent senior summarized her experiences:

“It's wonderful being able to make a Google doc study guide to share with classmates the night before a test, being able to share keynote presentations in group projects, great having worksheets pushed out on the drive. It's all just easier to keep track of.”

On a recent year end survey, the high school students agreed the iPad “has enhanced my learning in classes at Providence.” How? In many ways! Quizzing apps are used to get instantaneous feedback to teachers and students; notes are taken electronically and stored; homework is assigned and turned in; some textbooks are on the iPad; online research is conducted in class; audio recordings can be made for study sessions; Google documents are created and shared between teachers and classmates; class presentations are created and given.

Every high school student is required to bring an iPad to school each day. In the next pages of this document we provide some helpful recommendations on which iPad to purchase, where to purchase your iPad, information on insurance, and answer a whole host of other questions. We hope you find this packet informative and helpful.

Please purchase the iPad for your child no later than August 15th, 2016 and plan to attend one of our iPad training sessions (August 16 OR August 22 @ 5:30 PM - look for an email invitation in early August).

Should you have questions, please contact our office. Our technology coordinators, Mrs. Bentley and Mr. Hurt, will be glad to assist you throughout the school year. We are looking forward to the start of a great school year and are excited to partner with you during these formative educational years.

Sincerely,

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I. Approved iPad Models

Pictured below are the approved iPad models. Because of the limited memory capacity, a 16GB iPad will require more effort to manage content and may limit the overall functionality of the iPad. We recommend the larger memory capacity. We also generally do not recommend the iPad mini. **We do not allow iPads that are 4G enabled.** If you choose to purchase an older model that is not listed, we recommend at least 32 GB. Contact us if you have questions about a specific device. (Note: The models with 3 stars are highly recommended, the model with one star below is approved but not recommended.)

12.9-inch iPad Pro

9.7-inch iPad Pro

iPad Air 2



Capacity and Price¹

12.9-inch iPad Pro			9.7-inch iPad Pro			iPad Air 2		
Wi-Fi			Wi-Fi			Wi-Fi		
***	32GB	\$799	32GB	\$599	***	16GB	\$399	*
***	128GB	\$949	128GB	\$749	***	64GB	\$499	***
***	256GB	\$1099	256GB	\$899	***			

II. Where to Purchase your iPad

Providence is not in partnership with any of the businesses listed below. The information below, provided for your benefit, is accurate at the time of printing but may change at any time.

<p>Apple Store on State Street or online at http://store.apple.com/us/ipad</p> <p>928 State Street Santa Barbara, CA 93101 (805) 560-1500</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offers 18 month financing. • Must send out your insured iPad for service (with AppleCare+ it is recommended to service the iPad through the Apple Store) • Offers refurbished iPads
<p>Best Buy in Goleta or online at http://www.bestbuy.com</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offers 18 month financing. • Must send out your insured iPad for service • Offers refurbished iPads
<p>The MacSuperstore www.macsuperstore.com (805) 965-9722</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offers 12 month financing. • Must send out your insured iPad for service

III. General Questions

Should I purchase iPad insurance?

Absolutely. The school strongly recommends you insure your child's iPad for a minimum of two years. We have provided two options for your consideration.

<p>AppleCare + from Apple</p>	<p>AppleCare+ for iPad extends your coverage to two years from the original purchase date of your iPad and covers up to two incidents of accidental damage coverage. Just add AppleCare+ during the checkout process. This 2-year insurance coverage costs \$99.00. It is important to note that if you do not upgrade to the AppleCare+, the standard AppleCare that comes automatically for each iPad is only valid for 1 year and does not cover accidental damage, only hardware repairs.</p>
<p>Gocare Warranty</p>	<p>Providence families can purchase coverage for unlimited accidental damage (including submersion) at a 15% discount from the published rate. To purchase the Gocare insurance policy, go to their website: http://www.gocare.com. Once on this page you can provide the required information and click the "add to cart" button. On the checkout screen, enter the promo code PSB15 and click the "apply" button. At this time you will see the 15% discount applied to your order. The promo code is good August through October 2016. Gocare can insure any iPad no matter where it was purchased. Currently, for an iPad Air, the 1 year insurance coverage is \$60 after the Providence discount. GoCare offers a further reduced rate if you add multiple devices, including phones and laptops.</p>

What accessories do I need?

<p>Case</p>	<p>Your child's iPad should be in a protective case at all times. The school highly recommends a case that provides full protection for the iPad as they will be dropped and shoved into crowded backpacks.</p>
<p>Keyboard</p>	<p>The school does not require a bluetooth keyboard. Some cases have keyboards built into the case. The school does recognize a keyboard for home could be beneficial should your student decide to write lengthy papers on the iPad.</p>

Why do we use iPads at Providence?

For the first two years of the program, the school dedicated significant time and resources to studying solutions that would place robust, versatile mobile computing devices in the hands of every student, empowering them to learn anywhere, anytime, in any subject. During this time, faculty participated in several professional development training sessions focused on integrating new Internet resources and technology tools in the classroom.

Following our research and experiences we concluded the iPad is the most promising device on the market today for following reasons:

1. **Dedicated Education Division** - Apple Inc. has a history of working with schools to develop successful programs and has a well-defined strategy for providing assistance in building the program.
2. **Established, large user base** - With 100,000s of devices deployed in schools across the country, there is a large community of similar schools that use iPads with which we may collaborate.
3. **Multifunctional Device** - The iPad will consolidate many functions for students: textbooks, notebooks, binders, lab books, calculators, communication tool, calendars, cameras, video recorders, world atlases, periodic tables, dictionaries, encyclopedias, Shakespeare anthologies, lab computers, etc.
4. **Form and function** - The iPad is lightweight and the batteries last an entire day. It will add minimal weight to a student's backpack.
5. **E-Reader/Textbooks** - The iPad design has a distinct advantage as an e-reader. We are working with Apple, textbook publishers and other e-textbook providers to migrate a select group of texts to electronic versions.
6. **Innovative Apps** - The iPads offers the most extensive library of educational apps and support for multiple languages.
7. **Touchscreen/Accessories** - The iPad's touchscreen is a unique advantage that encourages interactivity and engages students. Students can show their work and "write" on the device with a stylus. Keyboards are available for long format writing assignments.
8. **Offline Access** - The iPad uniquely allows for offline usage so that it will remain useful as e-book reader or writing device when there is no Internet connection.
9. **Environmentally Conscious** - Over time, we will use less paper operating more efficiently and sustainably.

Will the school assign the students a Providence email address to use for the iPad?

Yes, every student is assigned an official @providencesb.org email address to be used for accessing collaborative documents and digital curriculum and for communicating with your teacher. We require that a student's school email address is set as the username when creating their Apple ID. Please see the iTunes account information for more details.

Does the school plan to use digital textbooks next year?

Providence faculty and administration are continually reviewing available digital textbooks throughout the school year. While many publishers are developing textbooks for use with the iPad, not all of our course materials are currently available in digital format. We expect to use both digital and printed textbooks that are best aligned with the school's curriculum and learning outcomes. We hope to move to digital formats as soon as the best materials are available, specifically in mathematics, science, humanities, and foreign language. Nonetheless, Providence wants to always maintain a balance of traditional and digital books. Currently, some textbooks and documents are available for student use on the iPad. Some classes still require physical textbooks and hardcopies.

Will my student still need a computer at home?

The iPad is not a complete replacement for the traditional computer, but rather it is a mobile device that offers students a completely new learning experience. Students may feel more comfortable completing some assignments, particularly those involving extensive use of a keyboard, on a computer, but a home computer will not be necessary to complete assigned work.

Do I need to have wireless Internet service at home for this device to work?

No. One of the advantages of the iPad is that it has sufficient memory to store textbooks and other materials required for homework, making it unnecessary to have Internet access at home. Naturally, an available connection at home will enable a student to use his/her iPad for Internet research, accessing files stored in the Cloud, and to complete some

assignments. The school provides secured and filtered Internet access on campus. The iPads will not have cellular connection capability.

What happens if my child damages, breaks, or loses his or her iPad?

Since we use a Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) model, the family owns the device. All repairs and maintenance to the device are the responsibility of the family/student. Should loss or breakage occur during the school year, please contact your insurance company immediately.

If the iPad is sent off for repair, does Providence have a 'loaner' iPad for my student?

No. The school does not have any iPads available for loan. If your student is without an iPad for a period of time please contact the teachers and arrange how to best navigate this situation.

Why does the school not allow 4G connectivity on iPads?

The students are provided secure and filtered Internet access on campus. We want students to access the internet through our filtering system and 4G connectivity allows users to bypass any firewall or other security and gain unfiltered access to the Internet. We do not want students to have this capability on campus during the school day.

IV. Digital Citizenship and Online Safety

What about digital literacy and citizenship?

We are currently creating a curriculum for this component of Connected Learning. More information will be forthcoming. If you are wanting information about student expectations for acceptable iPad use, please see the Technology Code of Conduct attached below.

How will a student's safety online be ensured?

We use Meraki's cloud networking and mobile device management software (MDM) to manage and control all devices in our system as well as our wireless network. We also provide CIPA-compliant web filtering. Additionally, our students' online behavior will be governed by Providence's Technology Authorized Use Policy, which is communicated to all students and parents during re-enrollment and again at orientation in August.

Through our Meraki MDM, we have created various levels of security. Every iPad is set up with a Providence global security and safety settings. Parents can place additional security settings and application restrictions on their child's device (for example, parents can opt to block all gaming applications and the iPad's camera) using Apple's built in parent control settings. Information about managing restrictions will be provided at the iPad training sessions for parents. We recommend not allowing your child to use the iPad until after the training session is held.

Can I, as a parent, control what apps my child installs?

Yes, there is a way to set up parental control for loading apps and making any changes to the iPad. This will be discussed during parent education events. We will also have resources online that will help you set this up.

Will I get training on the use of the iPad?

Parents will participate in a set-up and training session at the start of the year. Students receive training from teachers at various times during the school year. Our Technology Coordinators and technology prefect(s) are available to help students and parents when questions arise.

V. iPad Apps

Do students pay for apps for the iPad?

There are certain apps which are required, the cost for which is covered by the Student Fee. Those apps will be purchased through Providence in order to take advantage of the volume discount program. As needed the apps will be pushed (sent) directly to students' iPad. The student may choose to download other apps not required by the school. Some of these may require a fee.

How do I get other apps?

Other or personal apps can be downloaded through the iTunes account. If you do not have an iTunes account, you will be required to create one prior to the iPad orientation.

What about updates?

All students will be responsible to update all apps that they have downloaded.

Can students download any app at any time?

Depending on parent set restrictions, students can download any app, just not at any time. Wireless access is a privilege shared among all members of the Providence community; non-school apps should be downloaded at home. Students should not download personal apps that are not school appropriate - the school may require the removal of applications deemed inappropriate.

VI. Problems

What happens if I've forgotten my iPad at home?

You will need to share with someone for the day. A forgotten iPad is not an excuse for not turning in assignments. It is your responsibility to bring your iPad to school every day, fully charged. Teachers may reduce your participation/preparedness grade for not having your iPad.

What happens if my battery is low, or dead?

You will need to share with someone for the day. An uncharged iPad is not an excuse for turning in an assignment late. It is your responsibility to keep your iPad charged. Teachers may reduce your participation/preparedness grade for not having charged your iPad.

What happens if I use up all my memory?

You should not use the iPad for permanent storage, but rather as a temporary storage space for whatever projects you're working on at the time. Finished projects should be stored somewhere else, such as your home computer. The iPad is an educational tool first. If a device runs short of memory, the student must remove personal data that may be stored on the device (e.g., music, pictures, and movies).

VII. iPad Use

Is an iPad case required?

In our opinion, an iPad should be in a protective case at all times. **Students should not use the iPad without a case.** Families should purchase cases that protect all four corners of the iPad.

What if my iPad gets stolen?

Most insurance policies carry coverage for loss, theft, or damage. Please contact your insurance provider immediately.

What do I do if my iPad isn't working correctly?

Contact a teacher or Technology Coordinator first. If the Technology Coordinator is unable to resolve the issue then the iPad should be taken in for service immediately.

Can I change the name (as seen in settings) of my iPad?

No. If you accidentally change the name of your iPad, you should change it back to read as the student's legal name.

Can I turn off Location Services (in Settings) on my iPad?

This is not recommended! This is to protect YOU from losses. If your iPad is lost, we can find it using the Find My Device service, but Location Services must be turned on for this to work!

Can I jailbreak my iPad?

NO. NEVER. Jailbreaking is the process of removing hardware restrictions on iOS, Apple's operating system, through the use of software and hardware exploits. If you do so, you are liable to replace the iPad or return it to its original condition.

VIII. iTunes Account

Will I need to create a new iTunes account for my child to use with the iPad?

While an iTunes account will be required with the iPad, it does not have to be a new account. Any existing iTunes account can be configured on the iPad. It is even possible to have more than one iPad attached to the same iTunes account and still be able to have different configurations on each iPad. If you are creating a new iTunes account for your child, please use their Providence-issued email as the user id.

I understand that students will need access to an iTunes account to use with the iPad. Don't iTunes accounts require a credit card? How will I keep my student from charging iTunes purchases without my permission?

There are actually a few ways to deal with this issue. First, it is entirely possible to set up an iTunes account that does not have a credit card attached to it. In order to make any purchases, you would need to first purchase and add an iTunes gift card to the account. Once the gift card amount has been used, no further purchases can be made until another gift card is added.

Another way to control this is to not give your student the password to their iTunes account. When purchasing from iTunes, a password is almost always required. If the student does not have the password, they will need your input to make a purchase.

IX. Technology & Internet Code of Conduct

Providence understands the importance of computer technology and internet use to the educational process and has incorporated these into its curriculum. As part of its curriculum the School requires all students to use Apple iPads in Grades 9-12 and to access the internet while on campus. The family is responsible for providing and maintaining an iPad for the educational use of their child while in high school. The student is responsible for the appropriate use of the internet.

Providence administrative staff retains the right to collect and/or inspect the iPad at any time, including via electronic remote access; and to alter, add, or delete installed software or hardware and to track and monitor internet use.

Whether the technology in use is owned by Providence or owned by the student, its use on the school premises is contingent upon an express agreement by the student to the following conditions, in order to ensure that such technology is used for educational purposes only and that no abuse of the device or technological privileges occurs.

PLEASE READ THE CODE OF CONDUCT BELOW. Your student will sign it during the first week of school while on campus.

I understand that during the school day (8:10 am – 2:55 pm), the school's iPad/technology and personal iPad/technology are to be used for educational purposes only, and I agree to the following conditions:

- I will check my Providence issued email address daily and respond to all electronic communications from the school in a professional and timely manner using proper writing etiquette.
- During instructional activities electronic communication (email, social networking, electronic chatting, instant messaging, or video chatting) is to be focused on the activity at hand. Non-school related e-communication may be checked only if I specifically obtain permission from a teacher. I understand this includes break, lunch, study hall, and free periods.
- During school hours iMessage and other similar apps should be turned OFF in settings.
- While at Providence, I will use the internet for academic purposes only (not for personal entertainment).
- At no time am I to watch videos or play games during the school day unless instructed to do so by a teacher.
- Use of the iPad to listen to music during the school day is not allowed unless the student is instructed to do so by a teacher within a specified class period or during a teacher supervised Study Hall class.
- I will not visit or browse online sites selling merchandise or offering similar services.
- I will not use the internet at Providence to conduct any form of business transaction - buying, selling, or to advertise products for purchase or sale.
- I will not visit a site that may appear to contain objectionable content including any site containing pornography, gambling, or other content of similar nature.
- I understand that digital security is in place to protect our community and our campus systems. I will make no attempt to circumvent the school's computer security settings or to visit blocked sites.
- I agree to appropriate usage of the iPad in the classroom during lessons and activities. I will focus on the work at hand when I am supposed to be studying.
- I will not use my iPad to cause harm to myself or others. I understand that all expectations regarding behavior in the Student Handbook apply to the use of technology. If use of the iPad or internet results in the violation of any of these codes, disciplinary action will follow.
- I understand the use of the camera on my iPad is to be used for academic purposes only. I will not take pictures of students or staff while at school (that are not of an academic nature). I will not send or post pictures of students or staff to the internet for any reason.
- I will not install or use "peer to peer" file sharing software or services.
- I understand the importance of social interaction and social courtesy and will refrain from using technology in place of building relationships and community. "Checking out" at lunch, on trips, or other school times is not acceptable, or allowed, social behavior.
- When not using an iPad for the specific purposes of a class, the device will be put away.
- At all times when using the iPad or similar technology, I will use good behavior, language, and communication that is in line with the Providence code of conduct.
- I understand the value of intellectual property rights and I will not download unauthorized copyrighted material. I will respect all copyright and trade laws.
- I will not deliberately attempt to bypass security software or obtain or share passwords belonging to others.

X. Further Questions?

If you have additional questions about the Connected Learning program at Providence or a question regarding the use of the iPad while at school, please feel free to contact one of the Technology Coordinators or Mr. Rockney.

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