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Hello 7th and 8th Grade Students and Families,

We are so excited to start this new year! It has been a challenging time and we are focused on providing your children with the best possible instruction this year. We have been diligent in researching, learning and coordinating new methods in order to accommodate everyone during this time. It hasn't been easy, but we are committed to working hard for our students and families. We know that this is new for everyone; we will strive to be flexible and understanding, and ask the same from you as our situation is fluid and ever-changing.

Please follow the attached schedule for Tuesday's classes. Teachers have also posted this schedule on their individual teacher pages on the Casimir Pulaski website. The district has reset all student **Clever** passwords to their 8 digit birthday (MMDDYYYY). This is also the same password which will be used to log in to **Office 365** and **PowerSchool**. Each class will meet in **Microsoft Teams** at the start of class time; please sign in If you have a device available to use. If you are not able to attend the class meeting, please reach out to teacher via Microsoft Teams Chat (@teacheremail) or email your teacher directly. We strongly encourage you, as students and parents, to visit the Microsoft 365 tutorials posted on our Casimir Pulaski website (yonkerspublicschools.org/Pulaski) to become more familiar with our new communication and instructional platform.

We will be moving away from Edmodo this year and will be using **Remind** for communication of important information, assignments and announcements. You should have received information regarding joining Remind and each teacher's class codes. If you did not receive this information, please contact your child's homeroom teacher.

The first several days of each class will focus on discussing and demonstrating our new instructional platforms and applications. Our first priority is ensuring that all students and families feel comfortable with our new methods of instruction and communication. As we all become familiar with our virtual learning routines, we will then begin focusing on our subject content and skills.

Please reach out to us via email if you have any other questions or concerns. Looking forward to engaging with everyone tomorrow!

Sincerely,

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