PCS Connects Programs

There are several digital programs available to students to use at home to reinforce and enrich the curriculum.

All programs are accessed through the districts single-sign on powered by clever. Students can go to pcsb.org and click the Clever icon located in the top left corner. Students sign in with their R2.D2 username and password. Once there, they can select the icon for the program they would like to use.

Dreambox is an online software that provides adaptive math education to our students. Students should complete lessons independently. K-2 students should complete 5 lessons a week and 3-5 students should complete 10 lessons.

**MISTAKES ARE OK**
Your child should not shy away from incorrect answers. These wrong answers actually help DreamBox find the best lesson for them to help reinforce concepts they are struggling with and build upon their strengths. However, because DreamBox is constantly assessing your students' answers to determine gaps in understanding and mastered concepts, your help can sometimes progress the student beyond their optimal learning zone and lead to more frustration.

**INSTEAD OF HELPING**
Encourage students to click on the question mark in the upper right corner or to make their best guess. If DreamBox sees that they are struggling, they will provide lessons to strengthen the foundational concepts needed to succeed.

Istation is an adaptive reading program that provides instruction and progress monitoring of skill most predictive to reading success. Students are given a monthly ISIP to monitor progress. Level 1’s and 2’s should complete 40+ minutes per week. Level 3’s, 4’s and 5’s should complete 30+ minutes per week.

MyOn has thousands of digital books available for students to read. MyOn is located under the Renaissance app. Click on the Renaissance logo and then click on MyOn.

BrainPop (3-5) and BrainPop Jr. (K-3) is a website that has short animated movies for students covering a variety of topics in several subjects.

Starfall is a website that teaches basic reading and writing skills. It teaches children how to read using games and phonics. This website is best for Kindergarten or 1st grade.

McGraw Hill is our math adoption platform. Students can access the online version of the math book, complete activities assigned by their teacher and play games to support learning.

Hey Did You Know… is a course in Canvas that provides enrichment activities for elementary students. (returning soon)

Typing.com is a program that teaches students keyboarding skills.

MackinVIA and Sora are both programs that provide digital books to students. Sora allows you to borrow ebooks and audiobooks from our schools library.