

Beginning Monday, April 12, all schools will transition to in-person instruction five days a week. Monday, April 12 is no longer a Remote Learning Day. All students on Plan A will report to school.

Return to school Timeline of Important Dates

<u>Week of 3/29-</u> Continue with Plan B- No school Thursday or Friday

April 1-9- Spring Break

Week of April 12th- Students return 5 days a week

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SAVE THE DATE

Save the Date for Junior/Senior High School Prom!

Saturday, May 15th 8:00 - 11:00 pm

All UCPS High Schools will be hosting outdoor proms on their school campus this year!

Each school will be providing detailed information to their school community soon, including health and safety guidelines! We are excited to have this opportunity for our students! Rain date is May 22nd.



HOME GAMES

MARCH

29	30	31
Tennis vs Myers Park @ 4pm JV Softball vs. Providence @ 5:30	No Games	Women's Soccer vs Myers Park @ 4:30

ALL TICKETS ARE ON SALE ONLINE https://www.ucpsathletics.com/porterridgetickets



YEARBOOK

Attention Seniors!

The deadline to purchase your custom senior ad for the 2020 - 2021 yearbook is fast approaching.

Be sure to visit jostensadservice.com before April 16th to create your ad!





WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH



Three virtual students in Ms. Taylor's Marketing Class did research on women that had significant contributions in the marketing and/or business fields and created a gallery to display in Grand Central.

Thanks to the following students Hanna Areh (pictured to the left) Rita Daood, and Savannah Pressley









Cross Country Senior Night

Congratulations to our Tennis Senior!

Liam Rose









Cross Country Senior Night

Congratulations to our Softball Seniors! Lauren Love ,Laney Love ,Calyn Mincey







ATHLETICS

Tryout Information

To be eligible to participate in sports the athlete must pass their 1st semester classes and register in FamilyID and have a current physical on file.

If you have any questions, contact Coach Thompson, the Athletic Director, at ina.thompson@ucps.k12.nc.us

Sport	Coach	Email	Tryout Dates
Women's Tennis	Tom McQueen	tjmcqueen@earthlink.net	April 12 & 13
Wrestling	Randy Durbin	randy.durbin@ucps.k12.nc.us	April 12 & 13
Baseball	Shane Brown	Shane.Brown@ucps.k12.nc.us	April 12 & 13
Men's & Women's Track	Tim Beckerman	tb2006itnc@gmail.com	April 12 & 13







Track and Field Season is right around the corner. Any interested athletes, please complete the PRHS Track & Field Athlete
Form. Practice starts April 12. In order to participate you must register online through FamilyID and have a current physical on file. Check out the athletics website for more info or See Coach Bundick or Coach Tanferno.



A NOTE FROM NURSE MASSEY

"Laughter is the best medicine in the world." Milton Berle

This week Nurse Massey wants you to remember to laugh. Read the article below to learn how to get stress relief from laughter

https://www.mayoclinic.org/healthy-lifestyle/stress-management/in-depth/stress-relief/art-20044456

Important Vaccine Information - Please Read

In 2015, the State of North Carolina added Meningococcal vaccine to the school required immunizations. The first dose of Meningococcal vaccine, MCV, was given to this year's Juniors prior to the start of 7th grade as a school required vaccine. The second dose of this vaccine is required prior to the start of the Senior year, the 2021-22 school year.

If your child does not currently have evidence of the MCV vaccine, please contact your child's health care provider to obtain it. Following administration of the vaccine, please submit a copy of the record to the school nurse yet this school year. This documentation must be on file here at school prior to the start of the 2021-22 school year to meet this school enrollment requirement. Individuals born before 1/1/2003 are exempt from this requirement.

For complete details and explanations, please review the website https://immunize.nc.gov/schools/ncruleslaws.htm for NC general statutes 130A-157.

Thank you for your timely attention to this matter. If you have any questions, our school nurse will certainly be available to you as a resource.



ACADEMY APPLICATIONS

Academy applications for the 2021-2022 school year are still open. To learn more about the academies UCPS has to offer and for the application, please visit the UCPS Career Readiness page on the UCPS website or see your *Career Development Coordinator, Mrs. Webb in guidance.*

*Nurse Aide Applications are due by <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>March 31st.</u> Any Nurse Aide applications turned in after this date will be put on the waiting list.

*Cosmetology Applications are due by <u>Friday</u>, <u>April 23rd</u>. Any Cosmetology applications turned in after this date will be put on the waiting list



ATTENTION ALL 11 TH GRADERS



UCPS College Readiness Resource Center

Ready to start your college essay but don't know where to start?

Schedule a FREE 30-minute Zoom session by visiting http://bit.ly/essaysupport1.

This opportunity is open to ALL current UCPS juniors.

@UCPSCollegePrep

http://bit.ly/essaysupport1



JOIN OUR SEMINAR TO LEARN ABOUT HOW TO GET A HEAD START ON SCHOLARSHIPS AND APPLICATIONS FOR AIR FORCE ROTC AND THE AIR FORCE ACADEMY.





JOIN US HERE!





DATE: 4/14/21 --- TIME: 7:00PM CT



Who is your counselor?

Tondra White – last names A-Cou tondra.white@ucps.k12.nc.us Schedule a meeting - https://calendly.com/tondra-white/15min

Carly Patterson - last names Cov-Hek carly.patterson@ucps.k12.nc.us
Schedule a meeting - https://calendly.com/carly-patterson/studentofficehours

Bryan James – last names Hel-Mc bryan.james@ucps.k12.nc.us Schedule a meeting - https://calendly.com/bryan-james-1/office-hours

Cassidy Lippert – last names Me-San

cassidy.lippert@ucps.k12.nc.us

Schedule a meeting; https://calendly.com/cassidy-lippert/appointment-with-ms-lippert

Shari Davison – last names Sap-Z shari.davison@ucps.k12.nc.us Schedule a meeting - https://calendly.com/shari-davison/student-office-hours

The counselors are here to support you with school. You can set up a meeting to speak to your counselor about academic, career, college, post high school plans or personal needs. Each counselor has set up an appointment calendar through which you can schedule a meeting either virtual or in person for a day and time that works for your schedule. If you just have a question please feel free to send your counselor an email.

Los consejeros estan aqui para apoyarte con la escuela. Pueden pedir una reunion para hablar con su consejero sobre tus planes academicos, profesionales, universitarios, posteriores a la escuela secundaria o necesidades personales. Cada consejero ha establecido un calendario de citas a traves del cual pueden programar una reunion, ya sea virtual o en persona, para un dia y una hora que se adapte a su horario. Si solo tiene una pregunta, no dude en enviar un correo electronico a su consejero.



SENIOR INFO



Seniors, as you begin receiving offers of admission from colleges and universities... **Congratulations!** You have been working hard and this is an exciting time for you all. Moving forward you have important decisions to make, and if you have questions about an admissions letter and what it means for you, please see your counselor.

We have created several videos to help you plan for after high school. We know that many of you are working on college applications, while others are considering other options. We are asking that you watch the videos that match your goals for important information on next steps. Then complete the following google form to let us know what your current plans are.

Senior Check In form (please complete) - https://forms.gle/1bFi1nvmuwMTpxGp8

Estudiantes de el grado 12, comienzan a recibir ofertas de admision de colegios y universidades ...Felicidades! Han estado trabajando duro y este es un momento emocionante para todos. En el futuro, tendran que tomar decisiones importantes y, si tienen preguntas sobre una carta de admision y lo que significa para usted, consulte a su consejero.

Hemos creado varios videos para ayudarlos a planificar sus actividades despues de la escuela secundaria. Sabemos que muchos de ustedes estan trabajando en solicitudes para la universidad, sin embargo, otros estan considerando otras opciones. Les pedimos que vean los videos que coinciden con sus objetivos para obtener informacion importante sobre los proximos pasos. Luego complete el siguiente formulario de Google para informarnos cuales son sus planes actuales.

Formulario de registro para estudiantes de grado 12 (complete) - https://forms.gle/1bFi1nvmuwMTpxGp8

CHECK OUT THESE SITES FOR VALUABLE INFORMATION

- PRHS Counseling Canvas -
- https://drive.google.com/file/d/1UpEroRS5BclmeCA2crF3QsrxxhOxZek6/view?usp=sharing
- Two Year College Information -https://drive.google.com/file/d/12dYWgldGcp0FkghSKUhwb2fHw5l8AYAq/view?usp=sharing
- Four Year College Information https://drive.google.com/file/d/1kV9EGhzITR7Nj7FJyG34jZFUTMsqTeKU/view?usp=sharing
- Major Clarity career research program https://drive.google.com/file/d/1EeoK680PzPWx9RnPxUoUh2Vbe2BjV0A0/view?usp=sharing
- Scholarships how to research scholarships -https://drive.google.com/file/d/1RJyGuNx8ap6opAokI2k2UBuU2Lgo48-v/view?usp=sharing.



SCHOLARSHIP INFO

If you receive ANY scholarships or grants, please notify Ms. Patterson with the name of the college or scholarship/grant and the amount. Even if you are not attending that school or accepting the award, please notify Ms. Patterson. You can print the letter and put it in her box in the counseling office or forward the email to carly.patterson@ucps.k12.nc.us.

Si reciben ALGUNA beca , notifiquen a la Sra. Patterson con el nombre de la universidad o beca y la cantidad. Si no asisten a esa escuela o no aceptan el premio, todavia notifique a la Sra. Patterson. Pueden imprimir la carta y entrgar en la oficina

de consejeria o enviar el correo electronico a carly.patterson@ucps.k12.nc.us.

March Deadlines

UNC Charlotte STEM Pre-College Program- Summer Research Internship Experience

For more information:

https://cstem.uncc.edu/5-12-stem-studentprograms/stem-pre-college-program/sum mer-research-experience

Deadline: March 31, 2021

Union County Association of Educated
Office Professionals

See Ms. Patterson for full application details.

Deadline: March 31, 2021



April Deadlines

Michael A. DeMayo Arrive Alive Scholarship
https://www.demayolaw.com/scholarship-program/

Deadline to apply: April 12, 2021

Union County Association of Educators Scholarship

See Ms. Patterson for full application details.

Deadline to apply: April 13, 2021

NC Society of Accountants Scholarship Foundation

See Ms. Patterson for full application details.

Deadline to apply: April 15, 2021

State Employees Association of North Carolina Scholarship

For more information:

https://www.seanc.org/scholarship

Deadline to apply: April 15, 2021

Patricia Huntley Service Scholarship

See Ms. Patterson for full application details.

Deadline: April 15, 2021



Upcoming Events

Wingate Summer Health Academy- June 28-July 2

Wingate University can help you explore a variety of careers through a weeklong Summer Health Academy. You'll take part in educational and clinical activities that give you a clear understanding of each profession and help you decide if it's the right one for you. As an added benefit, you'll earn your CPR certification in addition to receiving a college credit. This event is hosted by the Departments of Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Physician Assistant Studies, Pharmacy, Nursing, and Exercise Science.

For more information: https://www.wingate.edu/around-campus/events/summer-camps/health-academy

CACRAO Virtual College Fair - March 25 & April 19

Sign-up to virtually connect with 200+ colleges and universities from around the country and world for free. During the Virtual College Fair, you will have the chance to hear from many different colleges. You can choose which colleges you want to hear from by registering for their sessions. You and your family can ask questions of the college representatives throughout the presentations too! All sessions will be recorded, so please register for ALL college/universities that you have an interest in, even if you can't make the live session...you'll have an opportunity to watch the recordings later!

Register here: https://www.strivescan.com/carolinas/

College Virtual Visits for PRHS students

You must register for the visits through your SCOIR account.

March 26- Suffolk University

April 16- University of South Carolina

SAVE THE DATE

Are you interested in taking SPCC courses and earning college credit? SPCC Registration begins April 19! Fill out the form linked below no later than March 12, 2021 to gain access to more information about the Career & College Promise Program. Please email Ms. White (tondra.white@ucps.k12.nc.us) if you have any questions. https://forms.gle/yG5zmjh8Qr5k3mXZA

NC Merit Scholarships Information Sessions

Interested high school students, families, school counselors, and college advisors are invited to join the following North Carolina scholarship programs for an informational evening via Zoom. Program representatives will provide an overview of each scholarship and answer questions. Below are dates the sessions will be held and we hope you can join us for one!

- Monday, April 12 at 6:00 p.m. EDT (register before April 9)
- Tuesday, April 13 at 6:00 p.m. EDT (register before April 9)
- Wednesday, April 14 at 6:00 p.m. EDT (register before April 12)

During the sessions, you will hear from:

- Christina Garrett, Cheatham-White, NC Central University
- Margaret Turner, EC Scholars, East Carolina University
- Abey Dessie, Levine Scholars, UNC Charlotte
- Justine Okerson, Morehead-Cain, UNC Chapel Hill
- Reneé Tutchton, Park Scholarships, NC State University

To register, go to https://bit.ly/NCScholarships-Spring2021.



Upcoming Events

Air Force Academy & Air Force ROTC Jump Start

Are you someone who likes to get a head start? What about important things like scholarships? A career right after college? Well then we have something for you! Air Force ROTC and The United States Air Force Academy are hosting a "Jump Start" event. During this virtual seminar we will be discussing how you can get a "Jump Start" on scholarships and application processes to Air Force ROTC and The Air Force Academy. Join us on April 14th at 7:00pm Central time (8:00pm Eastern).

Please register for this event at this link: https://afrotc.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/WN_9K3x0VRiTFGpj]Lbj8T89A

Career & College Promise Program

SPCC will be hosting virtual Information Sessions to learn about the Career and College Promise Program every second Monday at 6pm during the spring semester. Contact Ms. White if you have any questions (tondra.white@ucps.k12.nc.us).

Dates: 4/12, 5/10

https://spcc.edu/areas-of-study/high-schools/.

BigFuture Days- Virtual College Fair

- BigFuture Day Southeast, Thursday, April 29, 2021, 5:00 9:00pm ET
- BigFuture Day Midwest, Sunday, April 18, 5:00 9:00pm ET
- BigFuture Day West & Southwest, Tuesday, March 30, 5:00 9:00pm ET



UCPS College Readiness Parent Series

Check out the webinars at the link above offered by the UCPS College Readiness Office.

April 19, 2021 - College Recruiting for Athletes

May 1, 2021- SCOIR for Junior Parents and Students.

General/Community Info

Food Pantry Assistance

- **Common Heart** has a mobile pantry at Mill Grove United Methodist (7311 Mill Grove Rd., Indian Trail) on Mondays from 7-8 pm. Families can come once a month.
- Also on Thursdays at Light It Up Monroe (1411 Helms St, Monroe), 6:00-7:30 pm, free groceries, clothes, hot food (served that night), coffee (Blessed Beans), basketball (Coach James usually attends), and more! Families can come each week.

Esta informacion es para familias que ocupen assistencia de despensas de comida.

- Common Heart tiene una despensa movil en Mill Grove United Methodist (7311 Mill Grove Rd., Indian Trail) los Lunes de 7:00 a 8 pm. Las familias pueden venir una vez al mes.
- Tambien todos los Jueves en **Light It Up Monroe**(1411 Helms St, Monroe) de 6: 00-7: 30 pm hay despensas de comida, ropa, comida caliente (servida esa noche), cafe (Blessed Beans), baloncesto (nuestra entrenadora de baloncesto Sra. James generalmente asiste) y mas! Las familias pueden venir cada semana.

Male Students- We want you to remember that when you turn 17.5 to 18, it's the law that you register with Selective Service.

Registration with Selective Service is your civic responsibility and keeps you eligible for student loans, job training, government jobs, and driver's licenses in most states.

Get a Selective Service registration card at your local post office or register online at www.ss.gov. You can even register with your smart phones. If you have any questions regarding registration, talk to Mr. James. He's your Selective Service Registrar.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

GOT CHROMEBOOK ISSUES?

Location: D105 inside Media Center;

Who: Mr. Walden or Ms. Snelson;

Hours: Mon-Thurs 7:30-8:45 am and

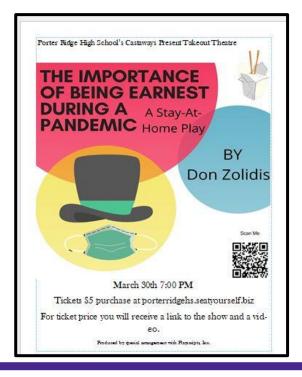
Mon-Thurs 10:15- 12:00 pm;

Friday- Make an appointment w/ Mr.

Walden by email

jason.walden@ucps.k12.nc.us

Join us as Oscar Wilde's classic "The Importance of Being Earnest" is thrust into a modern Zoom based performance in "The Importance of Being Earnest During a Pandemic" on March 30th at 7 PM. Tickets will be \$5 for a zoom link and a video of the performance and are available at porterridghs.seatyourself.biz.



The French club will have a virtual meeting this Friday at 10:00 a.m. Email Madame Myers if you would like to be added to the Teams meeting.

Attention NHS members: Please remember to attend the monthly meeting next Tuesday, March 30th at our new time of 7:45-8:00 am. Also, be mindful of the T4 service hours being due that following day on March 31st. Please email Mr. Martino if you have any questions.

On April 16th University of South Carolina will be hosting a virtual visit. Sign up in SCOIR to get the link to attend. Access Scoir on the high school student start up page.

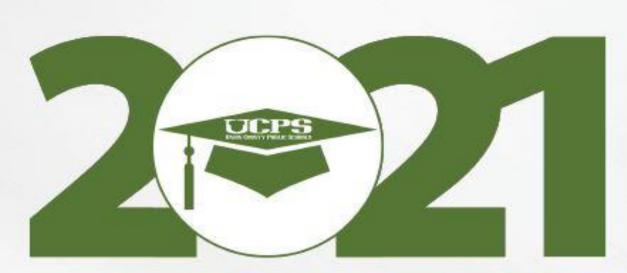
https://sites.google.com/a/ucps.k 12.nc.us/ucps-secondary-startuppage/high-school



GRADUATION DATES

Save the Date Senior Pirates!

Ticket information is not available at this time. Ticket numbers will be determined based on health/safety protocols at that time.



GRADUATION SCHEDULE

Union County Public Schools will hold graduations for traditional high schools in stadiums May 28 – June 4, 2021. The graduations will be livestreamed for public viewing.

UCPS will follow the latest health and safety guidelines from the North Carolina Health and Human Services Department and the Union County Health Department. Protocols will be implemented to practice social distancing.

In the event of severe weather, rain dates have been set to reschedule ceremonies. Principals will communicate directly to seniors and their families, if the date of their graduation is changed.

School	Date	Start Time	Location
Central Academy of Technology & Arts (CATA)	June 4	8 a.m.	Walter Bickett Stadium
Cuthbertson High	June 3	8 p.m.	Cuthbertson High Stadium
Forest Hills High	June 2	8 a.m.	Forest Hills High Stadium
Marvin Ridge High	June 4	8 a.m.	Marvin Ridge High Stadium
Monroe High	June 2	8 p.m.	Monroe High Stadium
Parkwood High	June 3	8 a.m.	Parkwood High Stadium
Redmont High	June 3	8 a.m.	Pledmont High Stadium
Porter Ridge High	June 2	8 p.m.	Porter Ridge High Stadium
South Providence School	June 1	6:30 p.m.	CATA (live stream not available)
Sun Valley High	June 4	8 p.m.	Sun Valley High Stadium
Union County Early College	June 3	8 p.m.	Sun Valley High Stadium
Weddington High	June 2	8 a.m.	Weddington High Stadium
Wolfe School	May 28	6:30 p.m.	CATA (live stream not available)



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Transportation Info Fall 2020

Attestation Forms MUST be filled out Weekly!



Transportation

Weekly Attestation Form – Must be turned in to the bus driver each week

• <u>Printable form</u> <u>Printable form in Spanish</u>

• -OR-

• Google form Google form in Spanish

Parent Acknowledgement Form – Must be completed prior to the first day a student rides the bus

• <u>Printable form</u> <u>Printable form in Spanish</u>

• -OR-

• Google form Google form in Spanish

Here Comes the Bus Phone App Information and Sign-Up

Transportation FAQ

Bus Information can also be obtained through the Here Comes the Bus Phone App above. Please call the school with any concerns.