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## **School Updates:**

Press

**Pirate** 

- We are closing out the 3rd week of the second grading period. Progress reports will be available through the Parent Portal by Friday. Please be sure that you are reflecting on your grade, discussing with your parent/student, and talking directly to your teacher about how you can do your very best!
- A reminder that on Remote Days teachers provide independent work for students to complete. This day occurs weekly on Fridays. This work should take about 90 minutes for students to complete. While students do not have to complete it during their class period, they should remember that if they choose to complete it after school hours, teachers may not be immediately available for questions or assistance.
- Altered Schedule Week of 10/19
  - M/T students attend school as normal on 10/19 & 10/20
  - W/Th students only attend school on Wednesday 10/21
  - ALL students will have their Remote Day on Thursday 10/22.
  - Friday 10/23 is a Teacher Workday and there is NO school for students in person or remote.
- Leadership High School PRHS continues to work toward becoming a Leadership High School. We are in year 2 of implementation. The lessons, during this time, extend on the Seven Habits for ninth graders and 'finding your voice' for upperclassmen. Our student LEAD team is working to make improvements in the school visually and through connections with community members.

Be Proactive	Begin with the End in Mind
Put First Things First	Think Win-Win
Seek First to Understand, then to Be Understood	
Synergize	Sharpen the Saw

• Counseling Information on College and Career, high school opportunities and more is always located toward the end of this Pirate Press, please be sure to check it out!



#### **Living Tree**

# Donate to our campaigns now through Livingtree to help fund all of our 2020-2021 Athletic Programs!



#### PRHS Football Return to Play

Help support our football program take the field for the upcoming season!



#### Baseball Privacy Screens and S...

We have a beautiful new field, now we need to update its surroundings. Help us raise money for the privacy scr...

Oct 18th, 2020 Start date Nov 8th, 2020 End date

Oct 12th, 2020 Start date Nov 1st, 2020 End date



## **SPLASH UNC**

THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT CHAPEL/HILL

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# JUST A FEW OF OUR

- ORAWING AND PAINTING
- STUDYING ABROAD IN JAPAN
- EXPLORING PERSONALITY TYPES
- PSYCHOPATHS, SOCIOPATHS, AND SERIAL KILLERS
- MEDICAL EXISTENTIALISM: DEATH, DYING AND LIFE

♦ ....AND MUCH MORE!

# SATURDAY OCT 24

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## TAKE ONLINE CLASSES AT UNC-CHAPEL HILL

DESIGNED AND TAUGHT BY CAROLINA STUDENTS

## A REMOTE EXPERIENCE

FROM THE COMFORT OF YOUR OWN SPACE

VISIT SPLASHUNC.COM TO REGISTER BY OCTOBER 17, 2020



**Free Wifi Areas** 

# Free Wi-Fi and Internet access for students

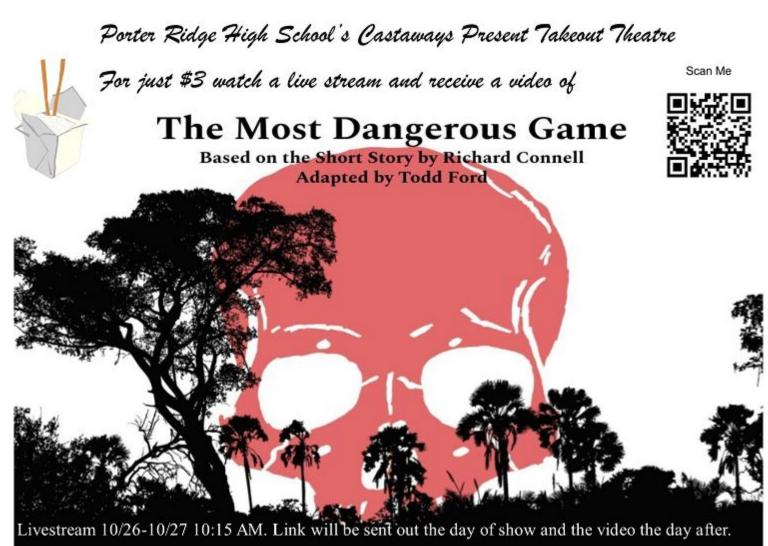
Monday – Thursday • 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Friday • 7:30 a.m. – 2 p.m.

- Creekridge Community
- Flagstone Apartments
- Grace Gardens Apartments
- Icemorlee Apartments
- Manor Ridge Apartments
- Mill Tree Apartments

- Riverside Community
- Sandy Ridge Baptist Church
- Suburban Estates Community
- 💡 Union Staton Apartments
- West Ridge Apartments (Boyte St.)
- Willow Oaks Community



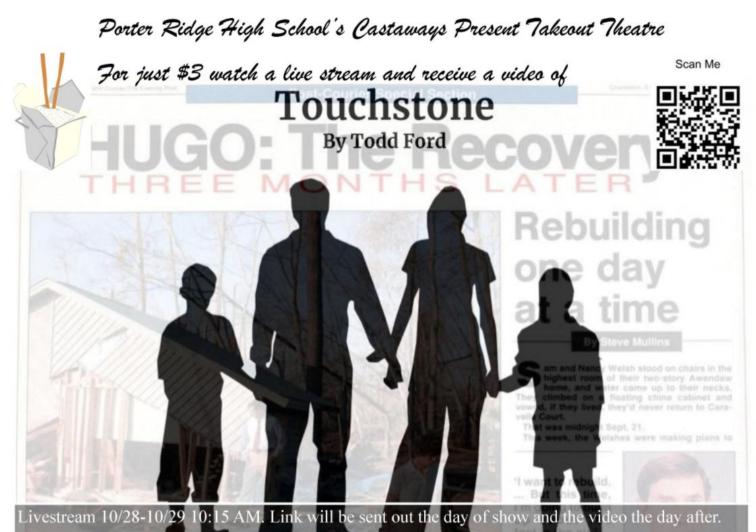
#### **PRHS Castaways Present....**



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#### **PRHS Castaways Present....**



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Athletics Sports Specific Apparel -

With each sports season being shortened, we are opening sports specific shops before their start date to ensure apparel arrives on time. This week we have Baseball, Cross Country, Swimming, and Soccer.



## **Sports Tryouts**

#### Cheer

- Basketball Cheer Tryouts Monday and Tuesday Nov 16 & 17 5pm 6:30pm
- Football Cheer Tryouts Wednesday and Thursday Nov 18 & 19 5pm- 6:30pm.
- Cheer Workouts Join us these days to learn the tryout routine
- Monday October 19 Basketball Cheer Tryout Workout 5pm-6:30pm
- Tuesday October 20 Football Cheer Tryout Workout 5pm-6:30pm
- Monday November 9 Basketball Cheer Tryout Workouts 5pm-6:30pm
- Tuesday November 10 Football Cheer Tryout Workouts 5pm-6:30pm
- Questions Email Coach Chopelas porterridgecheer@gmail.com

#### Men's and Women's Swim Team Dryland Workouts

- Monday October 19 3:30 5:15 Stadium
- Tuesday October 20 5:30 7:00 Weight Room
- Thursday October 22 3:30 5:15 Stadium
- Email Coach McLuskie coachbrendamac@gmail.com for more information.
- Volleyball Tryouts November 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> 3:30 5:30 questions email Coach Welch
- Cross Country Tryouts November 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> 3:30 5:30 email Coach Beckerman

#### Basketball Tryouts December 7<sup>th</sup> and 8th

#### December 7

- JV Men's Basketball Tryouts 3:30 5:00 Auxiliary Gym
- Varsity Men's Basketball Tryouts 5:30 7:00 Main Gym
- Women's JV and Varsity Basketball Tryouts 5:00 6:30 Auxiliary Gym
- December 8
- JV Men's Basketball Tryouts 3:30 5:00 Auxiliary Gym
- Varsity Men's Basketball Tryouts 5:30 7:00 Main Gym
- Women's JV and Varsity Basketball Tryouts 3:30 5:00 Main Gym



## **News from the Community**

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WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 28, 2020 AT 5:00 PM

# AMENITIES?

MORE

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JOIN THE

# MASTER PLAN VIRTUAL MEETING

Sign up to let your voice be heard on what you want for the future of Indian Trail Parks & Recreation at the Virtual Master Plan Meeting!

Sign up at www.envisionITparks.com



**Unity Day** 



# We encourage you to wear orange on Oct. 21 in support of Bullying Prevention.





# **Senior Cap and Gown Info**



Porter Ridge Seniors





# NC COUNTDOWN

# Application Week October 19-October 30

# Many NC colleges and universities will waive their application fees!!

Scan here to view the list of schools waiving their fees





#### **Golf Tournament**

#### **PR ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB**

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# 3rd Annual Golf Tournament

NOVEMBER 14, 2020 | EMERALD LAKE GOLF COURSE | 9AM PLAYER \$100 | TEAM \$400 | HOLE SPONSOR \$100

Register online at porterridgeabc.org

Porter Ridge Athletic Booster Club 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Golf Tournament on Saturday November 14 at Emerald Lake at 9am. We are looking for foursomes and hole sponsors. <u>Click Here</u> to register online. Cost is \$100 per player and \$100 for hole sponsors.



### **Golf Tournament**



## **Golf Tournament Sponsorships**

#### Click Here to Donate

Meal Sponsor - \$1500 Banner Displayed at Event Check-In & Dining Includes Hole Sponsorship Social Media Thanks After the Tournament Logo displayed on PRHS Athletic Web Page

Beverage Cart Sponsorship - \$500 Sign with business logo on the Beverage Cart that visits all the holes during the event Social Media Thanks After the Tournament Logo displayed on PRHS Athletic Web Page

Hole Sponsorship - \$100 Sign with business logo on the greens day of event Social Media Thanks After the Tournament Logo displayed on PRHS Athletic Web Page

Donations -Gift Cards & Other Donations for Prizes Soda & Bottle Water Crackers & Snacks

Volunteers - Contact Tara McAlister <u>taramcalister2017@gmail.com</u> to help during the event



#### **Senior AD information**



#### Porter Ridge High School

# Calling all proud parents

Celebrate your student's journey with a yearbook ad.

Create and purchase online by 11/20/2020

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Amazon Smile is a simple way for you and your family to support the PRHS PTO every time you shop. There is no cost to you, and you will find the exact same low prices and convenient shopping as Amazon.com. The added benefit of using the Amazon Smile to support PRHS is we receive 0.5% back. Tens of millions of products are eligible for us to receive donations.

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Link us today!

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#### **Info From CTE**

#### "Vet Assisting Academy Spotlight"

The Vet Assisting academy is one of five academies here at Porter Ridge that students can apply to as a rising junior or senior. Students enrolled in the Vet Assisting academy are provided with an opportunity to receive exposure and hands-on experiences related to animal care. Students will learn about proper veterinary practice management and client relations, pharmacy and lab procedures, advanced animal care, and surgical/radiological procedures. Students will also have the opportunity to sit for the Certified Veterinary Assistant Level 1 (CVA) certification exam at the end of the semester.



Ms. Hasty's Foods I students are learning all about knife skills and how to cut vegetables that they will use when making their potato soup.



#### Announcements

Let Porter Ridge High School's Castaways bring theatre to you as we present our very first "take out theatre". We will be live streaming The Most Dangerous Game from the PRHS auditorium October 26th & 27th at 10:15 AM and performing a virtual staged reading of Touchstone on October 28th & 29th at 10:15 AM. Tickets to attend these events are a mere \$3 and are available at porterridgehs.seatyourself.biz. For the ticket cost you will be emailed a link to view the live stream the day of show and a video of the live stream will be shared with you the day after. If you have any questions please email Mr. Ford.

If you are interested in joining Interact complete the Google Form listed below. To pay for dues, shirt, and/or senior cords go to the PRHS website to make the payment online.

https://forms.gle/uM6PCYsjjZErcwNM9

If you are interested in joining HOSA please complete the following link below. The link for payment is located in the form. If you have any questions please email Ms. Clontz.

https://forms.gle/nE2Zn8c7PShdCaxDA

PRHS will be hosting a Virtual Financial Aid Information Night on October 20th @ 6:30pm presented by Debra Slade from UNC Greensboro. Information will be on what is financial aid, who can get it, and how to apply. Please sign up to receive the virtual link to attend: https://forms.gle/Qnphfy859dTUB4CP6.

# Seniors!

Remember to turn in all scholarship offers to Ms. Patterson in the School Counseling Office! Students interested in learning more about the Spanish Club are invited to attend a short in person meeting next tuesday october 20, after school in room F102. Everybody is welcome, you don't need to be taking spanish classes to be part of the club. If you are unable to attend in person but are interested about the club please email Sra.Koonce.

Everyone is welcome to join Model United Nations! Learn about diplomacy, international relations, and the United Nations by critically thinking about current world issues. Our next meeting will be virtually on Tuesday, October 20 at 3:45 PM. Contact Mr. Forman or Mr. Chavis with any questions or if you want to be added to the Team.

Make-up pictures will take place on November 17th and 18th for any 9th-11th graders who still need to get their picture taken. Contact Miss Moore with questions.

Anyone interested in trying out for either the boys or girls soccer teams this year needs to contact Coach Ladimir, either stop by his room (E104) or by email. Information about workouts and tryouts will be emailed to each player that responds.

Attention Seniors: All colleges you plan to apply to must be listed in the, "Applying" section in Scoir in order for transcripts and supporting documents to be sent. Check your school email for more information or see your counselor with questions.

Bonjour Pirates! There will be a virtual French Club meeting Friday October 16th at 10am. It's not too late to join, whether you are taking a French class or just interested in the language and culture. Email Madame Myers to add you to the Microsoft Team. Current members, please check your Team posts for the link to self enroll in our Canvas page.









## **School Counseling**

#### From the Counseling Office

**Quote of the Week:** "I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel." — Maya Angelou

#### Union County Christmas Bureau

For assistance with Christmas food and gifts/toys for children 18 and under, you may apply between September 29 and November 20, 9:00 am until 3:30 pm, Monday through Friday by calling 704-296-4828.

**Seniors**-We have created several videos to help you plan for after high school. We know that many of you are working on college applications however 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

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

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.

Tondra White – last names A-Cou

tondra.white@ucps.k12.nc.us Schedule a meeting - <u>https://calendly.com/tondra-white/15min</u>

**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

**Jillian Durante** – last names Me-SAN jillian.durante@ucps.k12.nc.us Schedule a meeting - <u>https://calendly.com/jillian-durante/30min</u>

Shari Davison – last names SAP -Z

shari.davison@ucps.k12.nc.us Schedule a meeting - <u>https://calendly.com/shari-davison/student-office-hours</u>

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#### Spring 2020 Grade Correction Request

Students who were in Grades 9-11 in 2019-20 who passed a class in spring 2020 had a choice of either the numerical grade or PC19. Students who did not make a choice in the spring and want to change what they received may do so up until October 16, 2020. If you choose numeric average, you are choosing the higher of T4 or T4/T5 average as your final grade and it will count in your GPA. If you choose the PC19 the grade will not count in your GPA calculation. Please note the final day to process this form is Friday, October 16, 2020 at 8:00am.

#### **Upcoming Events**

**Splash @ UNC Chapel Hill-** Splash UNC is an educational enrichment program that allows over one thousand high school students to take classes created and taught by Carolina students. Classes include a variety of interesting topics ranging from exploring personality types and the political science of Star Wars to racial disparities in healthcare and economics. Splash UNC is hosting its bi-annual program online for students in grades nine through twelve on **Saturday, October 24th**. Student check-in will start at 9am and classes will run from 10:30am-5pm. Registration is now open and will close on **October 17th at 11:59pm**. Visit the website at <u>https://splashunc.com/</u>.

UTI/NASCAR Technical Institute Virtual Tour of NC Campus- Take a virtual tour of the Mooresville, NC campus and learn about the programs offered, scholarships and financial aid. In support of the nationwide STEM initiative, Universal Technical Institute is offering complimentary demos for high school students! These demos showcase the importance and application of science, technology, engineering and math in the UTI curriculum while also highlighting the evolution of advancements within the automotive industry. Join on Friday, October 30 at 10:00 AM using the link below.

Join Zoom Meeting https://uti.zoom.us/j/82278761811?pwd=azFTM2xGSIIWbGJrNU5WQU1JK3JkZz09 Meeting ID: 822 7876 1811 Passcode: 370691

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#### Niner for a Day- Thursday, November 19

This interactive and engaging virtual experience is an opportunity for high school students to experience UNC Charlotte and the Cato College of Education. Participants will engage in campus tours, class visits, Q&A's with current UNCC students, breakout sessions, and more!

This virtual event will take place on Thursday, November 19 from 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM.

If you are interested, **please fill out the form linked below by October 23, 2020**. Email Ms. Patterson (carly.patterson@ups.k12.nc.us) if you have any questions.

https://forms.gle/MkhHJGk1jsReR1HXA

**Interested in learning about the Air Force ROTC?** The AFROTC is a college program that provides students with the opportunity to pursue a commission as an officer in the United States Air and Space Force, while earning an undergraduate degree. Sign up to attend a virtual visit on October 16th @ 10am at the following link: <u>https://forms.gle/SxzreyejLqsJqdfU8</u>



## **School Counseling**

USC Lancaster Admissions Webinar Series - Sign up for one of the sessions using the link below. Choose from The A-Z Guide to USC Lancaster, Student Life: The USC Lancaster Way, Lancers SportsZone and many more! Register here: <u>https://www.sc.edu/about/system\_and\_campuses/lancaster/apply/prospective\_lancers/index.php</u>

Are you interested in taking SPCC courses and earning college credit? For 10th, 11th, and 12th Graders: Fill out the form linked below no later than Friday, October 16 to gain access to more information about the Career & College Promise Program. <u>https://forms.gle/RbvqeCXcwcgK7Bhy8</u>

#### October is NC Countdown to College Month

- The <u>College Foundation of North Carolina (CFNC.org</u>) is hosting College Application Weeks from October 19<sup>th</sup>-October 30<sup>th</sup> when many of the NC private and some of the public 4 year colleges will waive the application fee for applying. <u>Click here for a list of the colleges</u>.
- Check out the CFNC Live Virtual Events Calendar for sessions on how to fill out FAFSA, RDS and applications.
- Check out <u>CFNC "How To" Videos</u> on many college application topics.
- PRHS counselors have set aside time to assist seniors with college applications during these weeks. Please sign up for assistance at the following link: <u>Https://forms.gle/tpLr5j2AVot2ZzHX8</u>

#### **College Virtual Visits for PRHS students**

You must register for the visits through your SCOIR account.

October 16- Liberty University

October 16- Fayetteville State University

October 16- UNC Charlotte

October 16- UNC Greensboro

October 16- Roanoke College

October 30- Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University

October 30- University of Alabama at Birmingham

October 30- Appalachian State University

October 30- Hampden-Sydney College

November 6- Morovian College

November 6- Johnson & Wales University



## **Scholarships and Opportunities**

**Union County Parade Princess** The 2020 Union County Christmas Parade is in its 67th year and we are excited about the Parade Princess selection process, crowning ceremony, scholarship, and participation on parade day. At PRHS, we are allowed to select one senior candidate to represent our school in the parade and become eligible for the Alex Kahle Memorial Scholarship. Our candidate should reflect leadership skills, academic excellence and commitment to community service. If you are interested in being selected as the PRHS candidate for the Union County Parade Princess, please complete the form linked below by **Sunday, October 18 at 11:59 PM**. If you have questions, please email Ms. Patterson (carly.patterson@ucps.k12.nc.us).

#### Parade Princess Application Form: https://forms.gle/pkgosHVydbqpJXwSA

**Voice of Democracy Scholarship Program**- Indian Trail Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post 2423 and Auxillary are proud to sponsor local area competition for the Voice of Democracy Scholarship Program. The VOD program is an audio-essay contest designed to foster patriotism by allowing 9-12 grade students the opportunity to voice their opinion in a 3-5 minute essay. The 2020-2021 theme, *"Is This the Country the Founders Envisioned?"* **All entries must be received by Saturday, October 31, 2020.** Entry details are at the link below. Please see Ms. Patterson for the official application.

For more information, visit <u>www.vfw.org</u> under the Community/Youth & Education tab. The winner will receive a cash prize.

The **Governor's School of North Carolina** is a 5½-week summer residential program for gifted and talented high school students, integrating academic disciplines, the arts, and unique courses on each of two campuses. The curriculum focuses on the exploration of the most recent ideas and concepts in each discipline, and it does not involve credit, tests, or grades. Students are selected to attend through a competitive process after being nominated by their public school unit or non-public school. More information to come.

This is a quick overview of the North Carolina Governor's School program and how students can apply and be nominated and selected. <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OIOVyrev4Ck</u>

The Fall 2020 Scholarship Newsletter is now available. View the link below for more information. https://docs.google.com/document/d/1kxjiNyMVxhL\_9ubG2p9nqRiGOzMgFxWv9QneMuACBY4/edit?usp=sharing

Some universities have competitions to select students for full-ride scholarships. These are highly competitive. At Porter Ridge, students apply to be considered as the PRHS nominee. Students complete an application and our school scholarship committee, consisting of school counselors, an administrator and teachers, reviews the applications of students and chooses our school nominee(s). The student(s) selected as our school nominee then applies directly to the institution for the larger competition.

Below are the links to information about the individual scholarships and their applications. Some of the scholarships allow students to self-nominate if they are not chosen as their school's nominee. Please see the individual scholarship websites for more information. Feel free to contact Ms. Patterson with any questions.

**Belk Scholarship** at Davidson College due November 12 Application: <u>https://forms.gle/aSiZNdcz1fD11UEr5</u>.

**Jefferson Scholarship** at University of Virginia due November 12 Application: <u>https://forms.gle/XP2aTQZWd51Wvgn39</u>



# 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-
- <u>Google form</u>
   <u>Google form in Spanish</u>

**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-
- <u>Google form</u>
   <u>Google form in Spanish</u>

#### 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.



#### **Pirate Ports of Information**



# Ports of Information for Pirates:

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