

## **Pirate Press**



Volume 5, Issue 28: March 9, 2023

#### Dear Pirate Family,

- → Seniors Cap and Gown distribution during lunches on Monday 3/13
- → WorkKeys Testing: The test is on Monday, March 13 and is required for seniors who have taken a specific series of CTE Courses. Each student has been notified of the procedures for this test. This test measures the employability of our students and scores may be requested by future employers. If you have any questions about the test please contact Mrs. Webb (sarah.webb@ucps.k12.nc.us). This test is one of the ways NC measures PRHS student success. Students who perform well on this test will be rewarded with a breakfast in their honor.
- → Pirate Recovery: The end of the grading period is this Friday. Students finish strong and complete your assignments. Pirate Recovery for tutoring, attendance recovery, and unit recovery (coming soon) is on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday after school from 3:10 to 4:10 in the Media Center. We have English, social studies, math, and science teachers on site to help students.
- → Students, check out Pages <u>2-8</u> to see information about courses which may interest you while considering registration selections for next year.
- → Please be on time to school. Please <u>click here</u> to review the PRHS Tardy Policy. Students are expected to be in class when the tardy bell rings, and not just in the building. The Tardy Policy is listed on <u>Page 9</u>.

Students are reminded to continue to check the <u>Student</u> <u>Daily Announcement Page</u> to be updated daily on events at PRHS. Please review our table of contents on this page and use this newsletter to stay informed throughout the year, as well as, our <u>PRHS Website</u>. The Pirate Press is the main form of communication from school to home.

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#### **AP GOVERNMENT**

"IF MEN WERE ANGELS, NO GOVERNMENT WOULD BE NECESSARY"...JAMES MADISON





DO SOMETHING
TODAY THAT
YOUR FUTURE
SELF WILL
THANK YOU FOR.

Taking this class will not only educate you, but teach you to think for yourself!





If you are interested in expanding your knowledge about the African American roots, identity, and history consider taking African American History.

- HONORS Social Studies Elective
- Content Includes: African Origins, Atlantic Slave Trade, Slavery, African Americans during the American Revolution, the Civil War, and WWII, Emancipation, the Civil Rights Movement, and Black America today
- See Ms. Smitherman in F203 for more information.

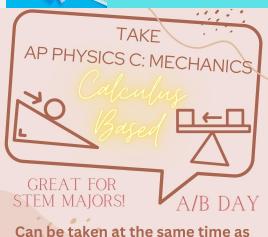












AP Calculus AB or after





Learn the basics of floorplans

Design your own home

Certify in AutoDesk Revit



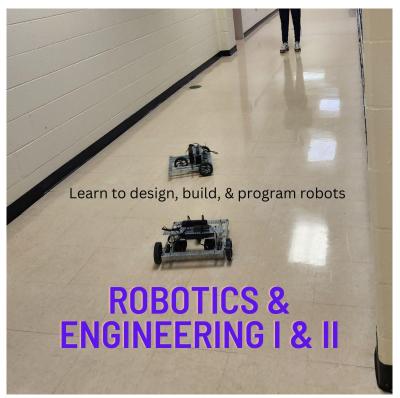






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\*must have completed Drafting I









#### WHY AP U.S. HISTORY IS A GREAT PICK

- Students who take AP classes are more successful in college.
- Students who do well on the AP Test can get college credit.
- There is less of a transition or culture shock for AP students when they go to college.
- Our class will be working as a team to learn.
- Students who take this course will learn how to argue effectively, not just in their essays, but in future sales or business dealings.





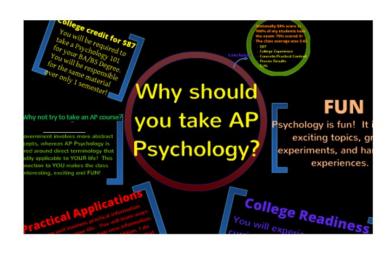
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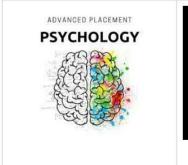




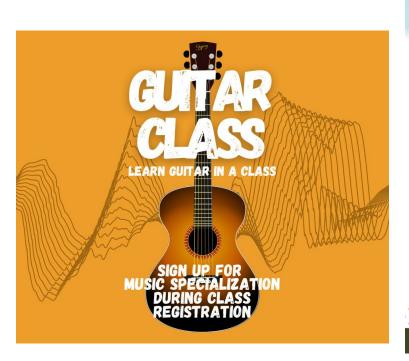










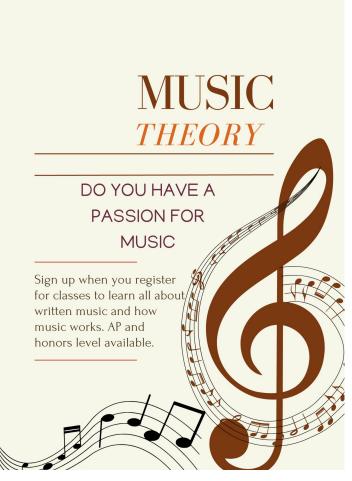




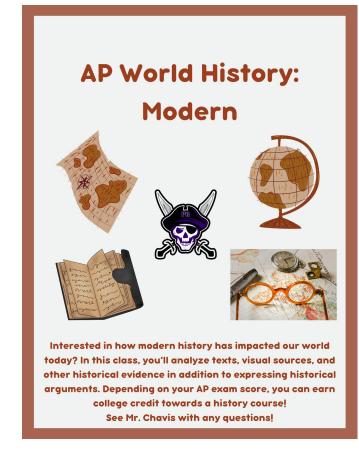


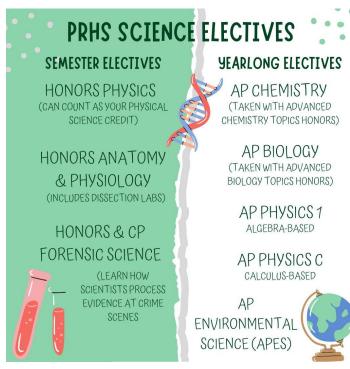










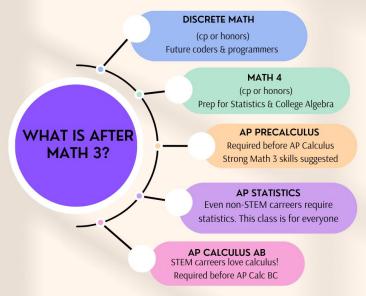






#### Math @ Porter Ridge High School

All students need to take 4 years of math in high school and need to complete Math 1, Math 2 & Math 3.



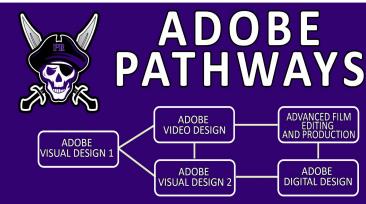
AP Courses can earn college credit with a passing score on the AP exam for the course.

AP PreCal & AP Statistics are A/B day courses. These can be paired together or with other courses.



If you have any questions see Miss Brown in room D100. Email: morgan.brown@ucps.k12.nc.us

Join Miss Brown's BE class to learn more about the behind the scenes operations of a business!



#### ADOBE VISUAL DESIGN 1 (Honors)

Welcome to the world of Graphic Design. In this course students will work in the industry leading Adobe PHOTOSHOP and ILLUSTRATOR. Students learn the programs interface, image editing, compositing images, retouching images, digital drawing, painting, and exporting images.



CERTIFICATIONS: Adobe Photoshop and Adobe Illustrator



#### ADOBE VISUAL DESIGN 2

(Honors)

PREREQUISITE: Adobe Visual Design 1. In this course students will work in the industry leading Adobe INDESIGN. Students learn the programs interface, tools, print production, and how to create projects such as flyers, posters, magazine covers, etc.

CERTIFICATIONS: Adobe InDesign



#### ADOBE DIGITAL DESIGN

(Honors)

Learn to build dynamic webpages. Students use Adobe DREAMWEAVER to code fully functional websites. Students will learn the programs interface, web authoring, site testing, and how to maintain a website.



CERTIFICATIONS: Adobe Dreamweaver

#### **ADOBE VIDEO DESIGN**

(Honors)

Students will plan, record, and edit video using the industry standard program Adobe PREMIERE PRO. Students will learn the interface, editing video, applying effects, working with audio, and exporting video.

CERTIFICATIONS: Adobe Premiere Pro











LIFE IS FULL OF DRAMA

Sign Up For Tech Theatre II & Play Production

Tech II and Play Prudction allow technicians to apply what they learned in Tech I to a fully realized production. Tech students will work closely with a cast where they will run the backstage team. They will also learn advance design techniques including computer modeling, white modeling and scale perspective drawing.



LIFE IS FULL OF DRAMA

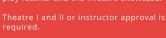
#### Sign Up For Tech Theatre I

Like theater but not performing. Tech Theatre I may be for you. Learn the basics of lighting, sound, costume, makeup and set design in construction using a hands on approach. Students will gain experience as the construct sets and provide technical support for productions



#### Sign Up for Theatre III/IV Honors

Theatre III/IV honors takes a deep dive into theatre and acting techniques. We explore how to apply Viewpoints, Method Acting and improvisational techniques into fully realized performances. We will also explore medieval and Greek theatre as well as audition techniques that can aid in preparing for college. Theatre III/IV students will gain performance experience as the participate in the NCTC play festival and the Theatre showcase.



#### LIFE IS FULL OF DRAMA

## Sign Up For Theatre I

Theatre I introduces you to the wonderful and creative world of theatre. You will learn basic acting techniques, playwriting and basic technical theatre. You will also be able to participate in a performance opportunity as you perform in this year's Theatre Showcase.



#### LIFE IS FULL OF DRAMA

## Sign Up For Theatre

Theatre II expands on the lessons learned in Theatre I. You will learn advanced acting techniques including but not limited to viewpoints, method acting and improvisational techniques. You will also be able to participate in two performance opportunities as you perform in this year's Theatre Showcase and a children's theater piece. Either theater I or instructor approval is required for this course.











#### Public Safety 1

"Public Safety 1 provides basic career information in public safety including corrections, emergency and fire management, security and protection, law enforcement, and legal services. Additionally, students will develop a personal plan for a career in public safety. The course includes skills in each area, using resources from the community to help deliver instruction to the students."

#### Law & Justice 1

"Students desiring to pursue a career in Law and Justice will examine the basic concepts of law related to citizens' rights and officers' responsibilities to maintain a safe society. This course begins with a study of various careers in public safety. The course will explore the history and development of law enforcement in the United States. Students will then examine the components of the criminal justice system, including the roles and responsibilities of the police, courts, and corrections."

#### Law & Justice 2

"This Honors course is an adapted course aligned with the nationally recognized Certified Protective Officer (CPO) certification through the International Federation of Protective Officers (IFPO). The legal age to obtain ones BLET certification is 21 years of age. NCDPI, in conjunction with a variety of Law Enforcement Agencies across NC, selected the CPO certification as a great opportunity for students to be employed in the field related to law enforcement at the age of 18. Students, who can begin their works experience in this field immediately out of high school can gain both a salary and experience, enabling them to pursue their post-secondary education while they wait to reach the legal age of 21 for entrance into a law enforcement career when desired"



# PRHS TARDY POLICY



#### TARDY POLICY

Students Tardies will reset every semester giving all students a fresh start. **Students are expected to be in class when the tardy bell rings.** Students that arrive late disturb other students as well as hurt their own academic standing. Tardies will be addressed in the following manner:

All students must sign in when tardy.

- 1st Tardy Warning / No Consequence
- 2nd Tardy Warning / Parent Contact
- 3rd Tardy One (1) day of Lunch Detention and Parent Contact
- 4th Tardy Two (2) day of Lunch Detention and Parent Contact
- **5th Tardy -** One (1) day of After School Detention (ASD) and Parent Contact
- **6th Tardy -** Two (2) day of After School Detention (ASD) and Parent Contact
- **7th Tardy** One (1) day of Saturday Academy and Parent Contact (Loss of parking permit for 1 week)
- 8th Tardy Parent Conference with administration
- 9th Tardy One (1) day of Saturday Academy and Parent Contact
- **10th Tardy -** permanent loss of parking permit. Further disciplinary action for non-drivers

Note: Failure to serve assigned detention as scheduled may result in OSS. Tardies are cumulative on a semester basis.



## STUDENT LIFE







UC Board of Elections will be here at PRHS during lunches on Tuesday 3/14 for any student that would like to register to vote!

# ARE YOU REGISTERED VOTER IF NOT REGISTER HERE

## ATTENTION SOPHOMORES AND JUNIORS ORDER YOUR PRHS CLASS RING!! See

the video from Josten's below to order - or stop by the table during **lunches on Tuesday 3/14.** There are some catalog copies in the main office if you would like to see the selection in a catalog.

**CLICK HERE FOR THE VIDEO** 





## STUDENT LIFE ANNOUNCEMENTS



- Attention all Juniors and Seniors: **First-round prom ticket sales** start Monday, March 6th through Friday, March 10th during all lunches. Juniors pay \$75 per ticket and Seniors pay \$70 per ticket---cash or check only. Guest forms are in the front office, and a color copy of the guest's I.D. is required upon form submission. All school fees must be paid first before a purchase can be made. See Ms. Lukasik in room G211 with any questions.
- There will be a meeting of the **Gender & Sexuality Alliance** this Friday, March 10th, in room G106 from 3:05-4:00. We will be working on our April Awareness Week banner.
- Anyone interested in a leadership position next year for **Science National Honor Society** needs to attend a short interest meeting Monday, March 13th after school in Mrs. Broadbent's room E207D. We will discuss your responsibilities for each role and the election process.
- **HOSA** will be having its monthly meeting on Tuesday, March 14th at 7:45 am. We will be discussing the upcoming blood drive and other activities we have planned for this school year.
- Buy your yearbooks at <u>yearbookforever.com</u>
- **SENIORS Remember to backup your google account** before you graduate if you have any material that you want to keep past graduation. Once the school year ends, your UCPS student google account is deleted and cannot be recovered.
- Attention, Seniors! Submissions for the **Senior Slideshow** are now open. Send us pics of high school, athletics, extracurriculars, friends, family, and baby pics! DM your submissions to our Instagram @prseniorslideshow23 or email your submissions to prseniorslideshow23@gmail.com. Submissions close April 30th.





- So proud of **Jordan Mike** for his community service, academic achievement and school commitment! The winner of this month's John H. Crowder award!
- Giving back to our school and appreciation to our custodial staff. The SPN2
   class incorporates their End of Unit on Education Reforms to our PR Community!!



## PIRATE PTO PAGE



# CLICK HERE TO JOIN THE PTO



Our School Nurse is looking for donations for water, juice, snacks, and candies. Please sign up if you can provide! You can send them in with your student or drop off at the front desk. Click here to see what is needed and volunteer.



#### **Support PRHS with AmazonSmile**

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#### Turn on AmazonSmile in the Amazon App to Generate Donations

Shopping on Amazon can directly support the PRHS PTO and is now even easier through the Amazon App. Follow the 3 SIMPLE STEPS below and a portion of all your Amazon purchases directly benefit our PTO.

- 1. Open the Amazon App and click on the menu in the upper left hand corner.
- 2. Scroll down to "Turn on Amazon-Smile in the Amazon App."
- 3. Select "Porter Ridge High School PTO" and you are all set!



## PIRATE ATHLETICS

For more information about PRHS Athletics click **HERE** 



#### **CLICK HERE FOR ATHLETIC SCHEDULES**

GIRLS SOCCER

BOYS GOLF

BASEBALL SOFTBALL GIRLS LACROSSE **BOYS LACROSSE** TRACK **BOYS TENNIS** 

#### CLICK HERE FOR

#### **HOME EVENT TICKETS**

All tickets are sold on this website or at the GATE by credit/debit card.

#### **CLICK ON THE IMAGE TO BUY SPIRIT WEAR!**



## PORTER RIDGE ATHLETIC **BOOSTER CLUB**











Open Tuesday, 3/7, Close on Tuesday 3/21 for delivery the week of 4/4





https://shop.sportstoyou.com/porter\_ridge\_athletic\_booster\_c/shop/home

MERCHANDISE PICK UP AVAILABLE 3 **WEEKS AFTER ONLINE STORE CLOSES. YOU** WILL BE NOTIFIED TO PICK UP AT THE SCHOOL OFFICE.





## PIRATE ATHLETICS

For more information about PRHS Athletics click **HERE** 



## THIS WEEK AT PORTER RIDGE



SOFTBALL vs CATA 5:00

SOCCER vs PALISADES 5:30/7:00 TUESDAY

TENNIS @ PIEDMONT 4:00

SOFTBALL @ CATA TRD

BASEBALL @ WEST STANLY 4:30/7:00 15 WEDNESDAY

TENNIS @ FOREST HILLS 4:00

SOFTBALL VS BUTLER 5:00

SOCCER VS WEST STANLY 6:00 THURSDAY

TENNIS
VS CUTHBERTSON
4:00

LACROSSE VS WEDDINGTON (W) 4:00/ (M) 5:30

SOCCER VS PARKWOOD 7:00 18 FRIDAY

LACROSSE VS ARDREY KELL 5:00

BASEBALL @ PARKWOOD 4:30/7:00 19 SATURDAY

#### RESULTS FROM THE PAST WEEK IN PIRATE ATHLETICS

3/3 Baseball @ Char Catholic L 0-5 L 5-6

SOCCER VS INDIAN LAND L 0-7 T 4-4

3/4 TRACK MEET @ PR (24 TEAMS) BOYS 3RD GIRLS 2ND

**3/6 SOCCER @ COUNTRY DAY** L 0-5 W 2-1

3/7 Men's Lax vs Providence L 3-18

Women's Lax vs Providence L 9-11

3/8 TENNIS VS CATA W 7-2 SOFTBALL @ BUTLER W 4-3



## PIRATE ATHLETICS

For more information about PRHS Athletics click **HERE** 



# PORTER RIDGE ATHLETIC BOOSTERS BARBECUE FUNDRAISER CLICK HERE

The Porter Ridge Athletic Booster Club's Annual BBQ Fundraiser is Friday, March 24, 2023 from 11:00am - 6:00pm. Online ticket sales are available until March 19, Please visit porterridgeabc.org for more information and to purchase BBQ, Butts, or Full Rack of Ribs!

Order online by 3/19/23
Pickup between 11a-6pm on 3/24 at PRHS Stadium
1lb Chopped \$15
Full Rack of Ribs \$25
Whole Pork Butt \$50
Sauces included







## COUNSELING CENTER



#### Who is your counselor?

Ashley Lawson- last names A-Cou ashley.lawson@ucps.k12.nc.us

Tanisha Anderson- last names Cov-Hek tanisha.anderson@ucps.k12.nc.us

**Bryan James** – last names Hel-Mc bryan.james@ucps.k12.nc.us

Cassidy Jarrett- last names Me-San cassidy.lippert@ucps.k12.nc.us

Alexandra Green- last names Sap-Z alexandra.green@ucps.k12.nc.us

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. If you have any questions please feel free to send your counselor an email.

Follow us on: Follow us on:



@PRHSCounseling

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## NUTRITION RESEARCH VIRTUAL INTERNSHIP PROGRAM UNOC MUTTATTABAN RESSEARACH INSSTITUT



#### APPLY ONLINE: UNCNRI.ORG/VIP





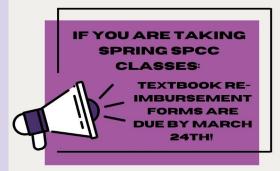
#### INTERESTED IN A CAREER IN RESEARCH OR NUTRITION?

All high school students, rising ninth graders to rising college freshman, are invited to apply to our Virtual Internship Program. You will learn from experts in the field of Nutrition during this four-week summer course. This program is entirely virtual and can be completed anywhere you take your computer.

*eastern time	Week One	
June 20 1 PM - 2:30 PM	Welcome and Orientation Nutrition 101	
June 22 1 PM - 2 PM	Research Methods	
	Week Two	
June 27 1 PM - 2 PM	Why Nutrition is important to Health and Wellness Across the Lifespan	
June 29 1 PM - 2 PM	Mentoring Fundamentals and Personal Experiences	
	Week Three	
July 11 1 PM - 2 PM	Healthy Hydration: Lab-based to Clinical Research	
July 13 1 PM - 2 PM	Vitamins can Promote Health and Prevent Disease	
	Week Four	
July 18 1 PM - 2 PM	Career Paths in Nutrition	
July 20, time TBD	Student Presentations	

PPLICATION DEADLINE: MARCH 20

#### DON'T FORGET!



FORMS ARE AVAILABE IN THE FRONT OFFICE AND MUST BE TURNED INTO MS. GREEN

#### **COLLEGE REP VISITS**

**Register in Scoir!** 

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**Cabarrus College of** Health Science

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**Temple University, Japan Campus** 

#### **COLLEGE REP VISITS**

**IE University** 21

**University of South** 23 Carolina: Beaufort

**University of Mississipi** 



## Registration Information

## Porter Ridge High School

## Rising 10th-12th Grade Course Selection Timeline





Monday 2/20 - Curriculum Night 6:00 pm

Current HS Families are invited to PRHS

Auditorium for a presentation about HS Grad

Requirements and Course Selection.



Thursday, 2/23 - Course Selection Info

 During Advisory, students will view the course selection process video.



Friday 2/24 - Friday, 3/10 Course Selection Period

Students will enter course requests in Powerschool. The system will close on 3/10 at midnight.



Tuesday 2/21, Thursday 2/23, & Tuesday, 2/28

Q & A Sessions 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm

 PRHS Counselors and Teachers Will be available to answer questions about courses and sequencing



3/13 - 4/6 Counselors meet with students individually

 Counselors Will send an email to parents and students-parents and students must approve the course requests or they Will not be processed





#### Internship and Opportunities

# Appalachian State University Visit March 13th @ 11:30am in the Cafeteria! Sign up through your student Scoir account if you are interested in attending!

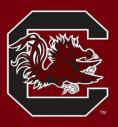


See the info above if you are graduating in 2023 and planning to attend SPCC!

#### UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA VISIT

MARCH 14TH IN THE CAFETERIA

PLEASE SIGN UP THROUGH YOUR STUDENT SCOIR
ACCOUNT IF YOU ARE INTERESTED



#### "2023-2024 CTE Internship"

UCPS Career & Technical Education (CTE) Internship program provides students the opportunity for hands-on experience in areas of career interest prior to college or post-secondary training. Students can find the Internship application by going into their Major Clarity account and clicking on Work-Based Learning on the left-hand side.

#### **Application Deadlines**

- -Summer 2023 Internship April 15th
- -Fall 2023 Semester May 1st
- -Spring 2024 Semester October 1st

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Webb at sarah.webb@ucps.k12.nc.us.



#### JCSU Experience



#### LAWA PRESENTS

2022-2023

#### HIGH SCHOOL WORKSHOPS

FREE bilingual information session for students and caregivers on how to prepare, plan, and pay for postsecondary education. Learn about college applications, financial aid, career paths, bachelor & associate degrees, trade and vocational program options, & campus tours.

#### PATHWAY EXPLORATION SESSIONS AND MORE!

Free transportation from select sites Register at: lawa.news/HighSchool

#### Careers in Computer Science and Engineering

Saturday, September 24, 2022 8:30 am - 1:00 pm University of North Carolina at Charlotte

#### Financial Aid and Admission Process

Saturday, October 8, 2022 8:30 am - 1:00 pm Queens University of Charlotte

#### Careers in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math)

Saturday, October 29, 2022 8:30 am - 1:00 pm Central Piedmont Community College

#### Careers in Sports and Motorsports Management

Saturday, December 10, 2022 9 am - 1:00 pm Belmont Abbey College

#### **Careers in Education**

Saturday, January 28, 2023 8:30 am - 1:00 pm University of North Carolina at Charlotte

#### Careers in Health Sciences

Saturday, February 11, 2023 9 am - 1:00 pm Wingate University

#### Careers in Economics and Pre-Business

Saturday, February 25, 2023 9:00 am - 1:00 pm Davidson College

#### Trade and Vocational Careers

Saturday, March 4, 2023 8:30 am - 1:00 pm S am Piedmont Comm. ity College

#### The JCSU Experience

Saturday, March 25, 2023 8:30 am - 1:00 pm Johnson C. Smith University

#### SPONsORs:













Are you interested in touring Johnson C. Smith University on Saturday, March 25th? If so, please contact Ms. Lawson in the counseling office (ashley.lawson@ucps.k12.nc.us) by Monday, March 20th. You will need to register online for the event and fill out a PRHS Permission form.



# CLASS OF 2023 & COLLEGE ADVISER



Porter Ridge Schedule: Mondays, Tuesdays, and alternating Fridays

- As you receive answers, please make sure to update Scoir with the outcomes!
- As you receive scholarship offers, please take a picture or screenshot of the offer and either email it to me or DM it to the @Pirates2College Instagram page.

#### To Do:

- Let your counselor know if a mid-year transcript needs to be "downloaded" from Scoir and mailed (if it says "sent", the document was sent digitally)
- Complete FAFSA if not yet done
- Apply to scholarships
  - o Scholarship Application Tracker
  - Pirate Scholarship Document
  - Ms. Schaeffer's Scholarships Page

#### **Important Links**

College Advising Website

**Calendly for Meetings** 

Instagram: @Pirates2College

**Calendar for Events and Deadlines** 

#### To Know:

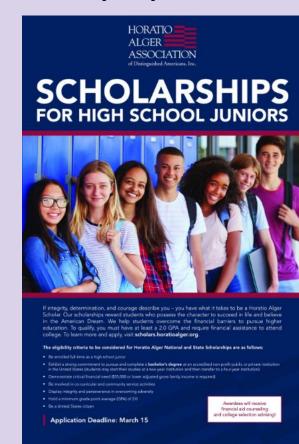
- National Decision Day is May 1st, so you do not need to submit any enrollment deposits until April 30th. You have plenty of time to tour schools, compare financial aid packages, and make your decision
- You have two excused absences for colleges visits and additional at principal discretion



There's a new page with extra-curricular opportunities and programs to do this summer!



bit.ly/UCPScollegeadvising



### **FOR JUNIORS**

QuestBridge is a program for high-achieving, low-income students that provides free applications and a full-ride scholarship to some of the nation's top colleges. Counselors are able to nominate students, but we don't usually know who all of our low-income students are, and we don't want you to miss out on this opportunity as a result of that. The criteria we are given are:

- Excel academically by earning primarily
   A's in the most challenging courses
   available and displaying intellectual
   curiosity and strong writing ability.
- Come from households earning less than \$65,000 annually (for a typical household of four), with minimal assets, and often qualify for their school's free or reduced-price meals.
- Exhibit strong character, such as resilience, integrity, and motivation to succeed.

For more information about QuestBridge, please go to this link:

https://www.questbridge.org/

If you feel you meet the criteria and would like to be nominated for QuestBridge, please fill out this form by March 20th.
Please see Ms. Schaeffer with any questions.

We're partnered with CFNC to help you prepare for life after high school! Fill out the <u>Junior Next Step Form</u> to share information about your goals. I'll then use that information to plan events and share it with teachers I feel could help you get there. Check out the next page and CFNC for more information.



#### **U.S. Military Academies**

If you're intending to apply to a military academy, there are some things you should start now: take the ASVAB and ACT or SAT, start thinking about nomination letters and how you'll make sure your representative knows you, write and get the pre-candidate questionnaires and candidate kits. Military academies, unlike most four year schools, really require that you start working on applications during your junior year.

## Five Things You Need to Know About Financial Aid Appeals

Thursday, March 9th 7:30pm ET / 4:30pm PT

Mark Salisbury
Co-founder and CEO
TuitionFit





Stuart Siegel Founder Financial Aid Now.com

If you had a 3 in 4 chance of getting more money in a financial aid appeal, would you do it? Surprisingly only 40 percent of families even tried last year. In this interactive live Q&A we'll help you be a smarter consumer by understanding:

- What you need to know to read a financial aid award letter
- The ways colleges try to distract you from recognizing your actual price
- Should I appeal? Factors to consider
- How to make a compelling case for additional financial aid
- Common mistakes to avoid (besides not trying)

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## Expert college planning resources for parents delivered directly to your inbox.

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Email	
Child's Grade Level	
Select one	

### Sign Up Here

Going Merry is a great resource for both students and parents. They store the applications for a number of scholarships, making it easy for students to apply with one account, and they provide guidance on FAFSA and the application process.



#### **COMMUNITY COLLEGE APPLICATIONS**

#### All community college applications are now open!

The sooner you apply, the better your chances are of getting to choose the classes you want and receiving some money.

Here is a guide for everything you need to know on how to apply to community college (snapshot below).

2-YEAR COLLEGE PROCESS CHECKLIST College Website: https://bit.lv/UCPScollegeadvising
Activate your Scoir Account if you haven't already You will use this account to research schools and let your counselor know your plans.
Create your list of schools in SCOIR by September 1st Your counselor will then stop asking you to share your plans because they'll know! Schools must be in the "Applying" or "Applied" columns for your counselor to see them.
Create your CFNC account at <a href="https://www.cfnc.org/">https://www.cfnc.org/</a> ASAP You will use your CFNC account to apply to community college and/or complete the Residency Determination Service.

When you apply, please make sure you send your transcript electronically by clicking the checkbox on the last page.

Learn more about how you can be paid a full-time wage while at SPCC here!



Apply to CPCC here!

## **CCP to SPCC STUDENT**

Current CCP students do not have to complete the entire application over again. They only need to complete "High School to Adult" form on Etrieve. Students will need their SPCC login to access. The best way to access the form is as follows:

Go to <a href="www.spcc.edu">www.spcc.edu</a> and click on "Student Panel" in the upper right hand corner



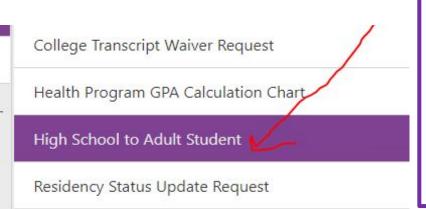
Next, click on "Forms (Etrieve)



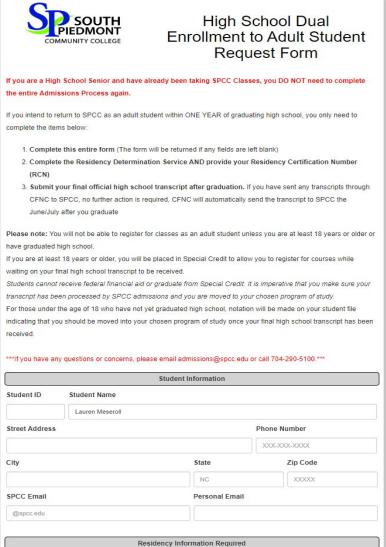
Enter login information (yours will look a little different). Students will enter their SPCC log in.



Under admissions click "High School to Adult Student"



The form will appear on the right hand side of the screen. (The form is longer than what is shown in the screenshot).



Please save the date 3.14.23 for Open House at SPCC. It will run from 4:00-8:00 and is a drop in event. More information will be coming at the end of the week. They will have program demonstrations, admissions assistance, financial aid assistance, a time for student to speak with faculty and staff, and various information sessions.



## **SCHOLARSHIPS**

As you learn about scholarships you've received, <u>please fill</u> <u>out this form</u> or send me a picture of the letter!

**Aubrey Moore from Weddington Optimist Club** \$2,000 | Due: March 10 to Ms. Schaeffer The Weddington Optimists are looking for individuals who will be enthusiastic and optimistic that the scholarship will help them meet their life goals as they embark on new life experiences. Part of the application is a two-page essay discussing why you deserve the scholarships, your volunteer work or jobs you've held in high school, and your future goals. You can find the application HERE.

#### **Dr. Ed Davis Scholarship** \$3,000 | Due: March 12

Create a 2-minute surprise video tribute to a UCPS teacher who had a profound influence on you for a scholarship opportunity. You can find the application HERE.

#### **NC Cheerleading Coaches Association Scholarship**

The Beverly Burnette Scholarship is awarded each year to the most outstanding senior cheerleader based on: Academic Achievement, Leadership, Dedication, Love of the Sport, four qualities that Ms. Burnette exemplified throughout her years of service with the NCCCA. While the amount may vary from year to year based on earnings from the State Championship, it is the intent to increase this amount each year as well as award 5 smaller scholarships as well. Click HERE for the application. Click HERE for more information.

#### **NCHSAA Scholarship**

The NCHSAA offers 10 scholarship opportunities, ranging from for students of any varsity sport to specific sports (track & field, golf, lacrosse, wrestling, cross country, etc.). Please check out the opportunities <a href="through this link">through this link</a>. There are a few additional scholarship opportunities that can be found <a href="through this link">through this link</a>.

#### Annie B. Cherry \$1,000 | Due: April 1

Awarded to one student with an interest in pursuing higher learning and career goals with a demonstrated commitment to education and service. Look out for the application.

#### **Waxhaw Women's Club** \$2,500-\$5,000 | Due: April 1

Seeking young women from the senior class of UCPS who plan to attend a 2- or 4-year college. <u>You can find the application HERE.</u>

#### **UC Association of Educational Office Professionals** \$500 (3) | Due: April 3

- EOP Scholarship is open to seniors whose parent is a member of UCAEOP.
- Memorial Scholarship is open to all seniors who are children of UCPS employees.
- Billy Stegall Memorial Scholarship is open to all UCPS seniors.

You can find the application HERE. There is also a Cover Sheet.

#### Girls on the Run

Did you know Girls on the Run Union County has a \$1000 college scholarship that Girls on the Run alumni can apply for? Any girl who participated in Girls on the Run in Union County and will enter college in the fall of 2023 is eligible to apply. **The application deadline is April 8th**. Visit the GOTR website for more info.

#### **ADK Future Teacher** \$1,000 | Due: mid-April

Pi Chapter of ADK Teacher Organization offers a scholarship to a qualified senior female planning to major in education. Look out for the application.

#### **Rosa L. Posten and Jeanette B. Sherrod** \$1,000 | Due: mid-April

#### Eligibility:

- A young African-American women
- a senior scheduled to graduate in the spring of the current year.
- accepted to at least one accredited four-year college/university
- have leadership potential as evidenced by her school and community activities.

You can find the application HERE.

#### Charlotte Knights \$1,000 | Due: April 24

#### Eligibility:

- GPA of at least 3.3 on a 4.0 scale
- Minimum SAT score of 1200 SAT score or 26 ACT score
- Member of at least one (1) sports team at your high school or other extracurricular activity
- Heavy involvement in the community or multiple hours of volunteer experience
- Various scholarships available, including for STEM, education, and healthcare

You can find the applications HERE.

#### **UC Extension Master Gardener** \$1,000 | Due: May 1

\*Attending an accredited 4 year university/college in Fall 2023 \* Graduating High School Senior residing and attending school in Anson

Have a question? Email us at

www.alphaalphachiomega.org

or Union County, NC

This award will be based on academic standing, student personal statement, and one teacher/counselor recommendation. Student statements should explain why the student deserves this scholarship, their educational goals, and what they plan to do with their degree. You can find the application HERE.





Click here to access the <u>application</u>



## UPCS OPPORTUNITIES & SAT/ACT PREP



\*The application for Nurse Aide **MUST** be completed by Friday, March 31<sup>st</sup>. Any application submitted after the deadline will be added to the waitlist.





#### Join PRHS ACT Prep

Go to the Albert App on your Student StartUp page to join the class!

#### X47XHX8YU4C5

Don't miss out on the chance to use the above code to improve your ACT scores!

#### Students:

- 1. Visit "www.albert.io/classes".
- Click "Join Class" and enter the code above.

Join PRHS SAT Prep
Go the Albert App on your Student
StartUp page to join the class!

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Don't miss out on the opportunity to use the above code to improve your SAT scores

#### Students:

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- Click "Join Class" and enter the code above.



#### CAREER & COLLEGE PROMISE, PARENT INFORMATION



#### SPCC CAREER AND COLLEGE PROMISE INFORMATION SESSION

Join us for an information session about Career and College Promise (CCP) program at SPCC.

#### Topics covered:

- Pathways
- Eligibility
- · Steps to Enrollment
- Career Coach vs. High School Counselor
- SPCC Technology
- Course Load
- Course Instructional Formats
- Accommodations
- Benefits of CCP
- · and more

#### CONTACT INFO

For more information, please contact Secondary Education Partnerships at sep@spcc.edu or 704.290.5090

August 23, 2022 November 8, 2022 January 17, 2023 February 14, 2023 March 14, 2023 April 11, 2023

All info sessions begin at 6 PM. (Virtual Microsoft Teams Sessions)

#### HOW TO ATTEND?

Simply click the link below to join: Microsoft Teams meeting Join on your computer or mobile app CLICK HERE



#### COMMERCIAL FOOD POLICY AT PRHS

- The school will not accept commercial food items delivered to students during school hours. Students may either bring lunch from home, or may purchase lunch from the PRHS cafe.
- Students are not to have commercial food delivered to school. Orders will be refused at the purchaser's expense.

Parent Toolkit for Working with youth on the prevention of vaping and the use of e-cigarettes.

#### **CLICK HERE**

Students: STOP VAPING! It's against UCPS rules, but most of all its not healthy! It is against YOU!





# Issues with Chromebooks, Major Clarity & Canvas Parent & Power School



PowerSchool Parent Portal to keep up with attendance and grades.

**Click here** for information.



#### Parents Be a Canvas Observer

<u>Click here</u> for instructions



#### **GOT CHROMEBOOK ISSUES?**

Location: D105 inside Media Center; Who: Mr. Walden or

Ms. Snelson; students can email

<u>jason.walden@ucps.k12.nc.us</u> for support - Teachers can contact via MS Teams

Tech Times: Monday -Wednesday -Friday Mr. Walden is here 7:45 - 11:30 am.

Tues and Thurs he is here 12:30pm - 3:00pm.

Teachers and students STILL always have to put in a ticket also.

Before or after these times Ms. Snelson can help with the following: reconnecting to the wifi; resetting NC ED Cloud passwords; damaged computers- she can replace as long as she has computers available

\*\*Students should put in a help desk ticket the icon can be found on the student start-up page. It is a big red button in the last row.

#### "Major Clarity"

UCPS continues to utilize a program called Major Clarity for career resources. All Porter Ridge High School students have a Major Clarity account and they can access it by going to the UCPS High School Student Start Up page and click on their NCEdCloud IAM Clever title to login in. Students will then click on the Clever tile. Click on Student & Teacher Log in with NCEDCloud and scroll down until they see More apps and select the Major Clarity tile. Once they are in their Major Clarity account, on the left hand side they can select assessments and take the Personality Assessment & Learning Styles Assessment. After the student takes the Personality Assessment, back on the left side they can click Career Exploration and either search for what they would like to see or if they scroll down, they will see careers that have a Fit Score and click on them to learn more about each career. Below are screenshots as well. Another resource in Major Clarity students can earn Micro-Credentials. Micro-Credentials can be received after students complete a mini course. These credentials can help students take the next step in their career discovery and help them stand-out by earning subject matter micro-credentials, built in partnership with leading employers and

educational institutions. If you have any

please email Ms. Webb at sarah.webb@ucps.k12.nc.us.

questions or would like more information,



# INFORMATION PORTAL



#### **Important Links**

**School Forms- CLICK HERE** 

School Health and Safety Information- CLICK HERE

School Technology How to Page- CLICK HERE

**Visitor on Campus Information- CLICK HERE** 

**Transportation Information- CLICK HERE** 

**Transportation information** can be

found on the **UCPS Transportation pages**.

The school system is using a **NEW app** this year to track your bus. Please see the flyer below: Video on how to install the app: **CLICK HERE** 

For directions on **how to install** this Real-time bus app on your phone **please follow this link**. There is a great video for your reference here.

## Click here for the PRHS Student Handbook

for the Tardy Policy, Dress Code, & Attendance Requirements

- Cell phones (headphones) may be used in a respectful manner during class transitions in between class periods and during lunches.
- → Cell phones must be silenced and put away during class periods. Away means stored in a backpack, or in a teacher-designated location.
- Teachers do have discretion to allow students to use their cell phone for an instructional purpose during class time.
- → If you violate this you will lose the privilege to have your phone (and headphones) during class.

#### **School Nutrition Prices**

**If you feel your family may qualify for free or reduced meals**, UCPS encourages parents to complete the <u>meal application</u> (click here)

Click <u>here</u> for more information on meal prices.

Click <u>here</u> to set up an account to **make payments** and monitor your child's lunch account.

If you have questions or need a paper copy of the application, please contact School Nutrition at 704-296-3000

#### **STUDENT ABSENCES**

- Students must turn in absence excuse notes to the Attendance Counselor BEFORE the start of the school day.
- Students are allowed FIVE school days after the end of an absence to bring a parent/ doctor note to document the reason for the absence.
   A parent note must be signed by a parent or guardian with a work and home telephone number for further clarification. An absence will be recorded as unexcused until the parent/ doctor note is submitted.
- After FIVE days the absence is recorded as unexcused/unlawful.
   Doctor/Medical notes may be considered after this in special cases.
   Parent notes will not be accepted after five days.
- All parent notes are subject to review and may result in a required parent-administration meeting in order to be considered.



## PIRATE PORTS OF INFORMATION



### **Ports of Information for Pirates:**

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