

Pirate Press



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Dear Pirate Family,

The week of September 19 is **Progress Check-in Week**. Teachers will have grades updated for students and parents, and this is the time for parents and students to check grades, so students can right the ship if needed. Teachers will conference on progress with students in each class and help plan a course for success.

UCPS is hosting a **bond referendum community meeting** on Wednesday, September 21 in the PRHS Auditorium at 6 PM.

Students are reminded to continue to check the **Student Canvas Announcement Page** to be updated daily on events at PRHS, as well as, use the provided **Agenda Books** to write down and keep track of important due dates and school events. **Start with Hello Week** promotes connectedness and kindness among students. See page 15 to see what we are doing 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 PRHS Website. The Pirate Press is the main form of communication from school to home.

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ACADEMICS & ADVISORY



Animal Science students researched some of the search & rescue dogs that assisted with recovery efforts at the crash sites from 9/11. In total, there were approximately 300 dogs who worked after 9/11, but the wall at PRHS is made up of over 50 different dogs that were a part of those missions.









Ms. Welch's advisory talked about self worth and completed "I am..." statements in advisory! A fun chalk activity on a sunny day!





Mr. Beard's classes had a beautiful morning to read and act out Act I of The Crucible in our outdoor classroom.







STUDENT LIFE



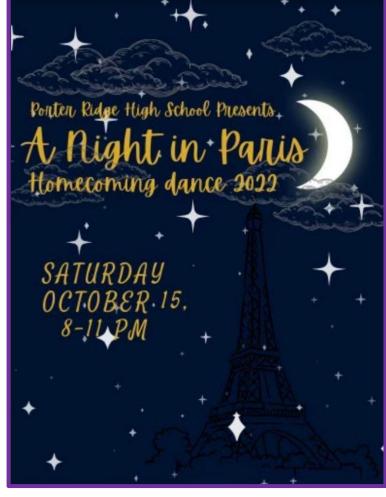
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Buy your **YEARBOOKS** for the cheapest price of \$75 from now until October
15th. Purchase your yearbooks at yearbookforever.com









STUDENT LIFE ANNOUNCEMENTS



- Do you love Art? Do you have interest in using art for good in our school and community? If you have an overall 3.0 GPA and have completed Visual Arts 1, consider applying for **National Art Honor Society**! The QR code to access the application is posted on Mrs. Crowley and Mrs. Baucom's classroom doors, as well as on the posters around the school. Applications are due by September 16th at 3:00pm.
 - See Crowley or Baucom with questions!
- ➤ If you are interested in developing your leadership skills, promoting community bonding, college readiness, accessing viable post-secondary educational and vocational opportunities, visiting Historically Black Colleges come join **Club Umoja**. Enrollment forms are available through October 7th in Room F105F. An enrollment fee of \$20 covers this year's club t-shirt.
- Interested in applying for PR's math honor society? The application window is open now until tomorrow, Sept. 16! Apply online through **Mu Alpha Theta's** instagram (@prhsmualphatheta) or via our Canvas page. Please see Mr. Howard or Mrs. Cooper with any questions.
- Those who are interested in applying for **National Honor Society** now have until tomorrow, September 16, to turn in their application and summer hours. This is for NEW applicants only! Please email or see Mr. Chavis in G205 or Mr. Howard in E210 with any questions.
- Applications for **Science National Honors Society** are now available. Stop by Mrs. Broadbent's room, E207D, and scan the QR code or click the link in your daily announcements to apply. Applications are due Wednesday, September 21st. Application Link: https://forms.gle/XvYgwHfEghVsN9Wd9
- > **Rho Kappa** will hold an interest meeting for anyone looking to join on Monday, September 19th after school in room F207.
- **Robotics Club** will hold its first meeting Wednesday, September 21, immediately after school until 4:00. Anyone interested in designing, building and competing robots is welcome to join us in G104. Please see Ms. Batchelor or send an email if you have any questions.
- Interested in joining the **Porter Ridge Swim Team**? Our interest meeting will be held on Monday, September 19th at 6:30 in the cafeteria. Questions? See Ms. Jarrett In the guidance office.
- The **Spanish Club** will be meeting on Tuesday September 20, after school in room F102. All PRHS students interested in being part of the club this year must attend the meeting. You don't have to be in Spanish classes or speak the language to be part of the club. Last year's members are encouraged to attend the meeting.
- Do you want to help create a more positive environment at our school? Learn more about mental health topics and become more self aware? Then join **MHA-SAVES**! MHA-SAVES is a mental health awareness and violence prevention club. Come to our interest meeting September 19th right after school in Ms. Smart's room (G114).
- > Speech and Debate Team Practices will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:15 to 4:30 in G110. Today will be the first official meeting.
- Anyone Interested in **Model UN** should attend the interest meeting on Thursday, September 22nd at 3:15 in E203. Please see Mr. Beard with any questions





FFA MUM SALE





GO TO THE ONLINE SCHOOL PAYMENTS PAGE FROM THE PRHS WEBSITE OR SCAN THE QR CODE BELOW TO ORDER ONLINE.



SIZES:

8" FOR \$7

10" FOR \$12

COLORS:

ORANGE, PURPLE, RED & YELLOW



SEND QUESTIONS TO: CASSIDY.STARNES@UCPS.K12.NC.US



CLASS OF 2023 SENIOR PACKAGE



Click on the Image or here to purchase





ISSUES WITH CHROMEBOOKS & CANVAS PARENT & POWER SCHOOL

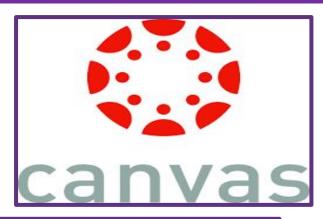




PowerSchool Parent Portal to keep up with attendance and grades.

(This opens on Day 10 for high schools)

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 jason.walden@ucps.k12.nc.us 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.



PIRATE ATHLETICS

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



CLICK HERE FOR ATHLETIC SCHEDULES

FOOTBALL
JV FOOTBALL
SOCCER
JV SOCCER
VOLLEYBALL
JV VOLLEYBALL
CROSS COUNTRY
GIRL'S GOLF
GIRL'S TENNIS
FIELD HOCKEY

CLICK HERE FOR

HOME EVENT TICKETS

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



CLICK HERE FOR PIRATE PASSES

ON SALE until September 30

Pass includes -

- Athletic Booster Club Membership
- Admission into all 2022-23 home regular season home athletic events
- 50-yard line Reserved Seating at Varsity Home Football Games

Good for all 2022-23 PRHS Athletic **Regular Season** Home Games. No

Refunds will be given for cancellation of games.





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Pirate Athletics



SUNDAY

No events

MONDAY

6:30 Swimming Interest Meeting (Cafe) 2 THE SDAY

4:30/ 6:00 Volleyball VS Marvin Ridge [Home]

+W Tennis @ Sun Valley 4:00

3:00 W Golf @ Emerald Lakes **2**1

5:30/ 7:00 Soccer @ Piedmont {Away} +W Tennis @ Independence 4:00 **22**

W Tennis vs Piedmont 4:00

4:30/6:00 Volleyball VS Weddington [Home]

6:00 JV Football VS Monroe [Home] 23

7:00 Varsity Football @ Monroe (Away)

4:30 Field Hockey vs Marvin Ridge (Mathews Sportsplex 1) 24

Cross Country vs Hough a Fisher Farm 9:00 am

<u>Results this Week</u>

FOOTBALL

BYE Week

GIRLS TENNIS

Varsity loss to Piedmont

<u>VOLLEYBALL</u>

Varsity Loss to Mt. Pleasant in 5 matches

Varsity Loss to Piedmont

JV Win vs Piedmont

SOCCER

Varsity Win vs Metroline

Varsity Win vs CATA

Varsity Win vs West Stanley

JV Win vs CATA

FIELD HOCKEY:

Win vs Christ the King



Congratulations to our Men's Soccer Seniors Ivan, Jackson, and Landon!

CLICK HERE FOR SPIRIT WEAR



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

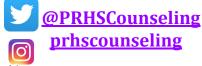
Cassidy Jarrett– last names Me-San cassidy.lippert@ucps.k12.nc.us

Alexandra Green– last names Sap-Z <u>alexandra.green@ucps.k12.nc.us</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. If you have any questions please feel free to send your counselor an email.



Follow us on: Follow us on:



Are you in need of extra food for the weekends? Please reach out to Mr. James and he can set you up with a food bag each weekend.

COLLEGE ENTRANCE EXAMS 101: SEPT. 22

Register here for a webinar presented by the UCPS College Readiness department and Huntington Learning Center. Provides information about the basic features of the SAT and ACT as well as differences between the two tests.

Congratulations to Lucas
Best for being a National
Merit Scholarship
Finalist!



COUNSELING CENTER





Senior Night Presentation Click HERE

Applications, Scholarships, Financial Aid, Essays, and MORE.....

Check out the link below to the NC Counselor Newsletter created by the UNC System Colleges. It has a lot of great information!

https://tinyurl.com/384abbmr





CACRAO
Union County
College Fair
at CATA on
October 16th
at 2:00 pm.



CLASS OF 2023 & COLLEGE ADVISER



Important Links

College Advising
Website
Calendly for Meetings
Instagram:
@Pirates2College
Calendar for Events and
Deadlines



Information from Ms. Schaeffer

Porter Ridge Schedule: Mondays, Tuesdays, and alternating Fridays

- Put all of the schools you intend to apply to are under the "Applying" column on your Scoir account
- Request teacher recommendations ASAP. You should ask no later than 2 weeks before your application is due, and you should ask in person—it's polite! Learn how to make the requests on Scoir <u>HERE</u>.
- Sign up for upcoming College Visits in Scoir -CLICK HERE for instructions
- When you're filling out the Common Application, please ONLY put counselor and teacher names, NOT email addresses.

Because we use Scoir, when you add email addresses, the process of colleges identifying supplemental documents gets held up, and that can mean you don't hear back as quickly about your application. If you've already added your counselor and/or teacher and their email addresses in Common App, you need to go edit it and take out the email address ASAP.



COLLEGE AND CAREER OPPORTUNITIES



LAWA High School Events

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. Free transportation from select sites.

Register here

Upcoming College Visits

College visits take place just outside of the Auditorium from 11:30-12:30. Register in SCOIR. All grades welcome!

9/20: NC Central University

10/04: East Carolina University

10/11: Appalachian State University



HBCU Pride Experience on 9/10

Register here for a Charlotte event featuring an HBCU-only college fair, college-focused workshops, and food trucks!

Davidson College is offering SENIORS who are first in their family to attend college the opportunity to attend the Davidson Fly In Program scheduled for Sunday, October 16th to Tuesday, October 18th, 2022. If interested, please click below and fill out the application.

Click HERE



Seniors, North Carolina Central

University will be visiting our campus on Tuesday, September 20th at 11:30am! If you are interested in learning more about NCCU, please sign up for the event through your student Scoir account. Let your counselor or Ms. Schaeffer know if you have any questions!



SCHOLARSHIPS



NC State: Park

Click here to start the application process.

Lenoir-Rhyne: Teaching

Scholars receive an award of \$5500 a year. If you are interested in being nominated, please let Ms. Schaeffer know by Sept. 19th. Click here to learn more.

UNC CH: Thomas Wolfe

Offers annually a scholarship for full undergraduate support to one incoming student writer.

Application due Nov. 15th; learn more here.

Davidson College: Bryan

This scholarship is specifically for ATHLETES. <u>Click here</u> to learn more.

QuestBridge

Matches high-achieving, low-income students with prestigious schools and provides a full-cost scholarship for all 4 years at the school. The 1st stage of the application is due Sept. 27th, and you can find out more via this link.

Union County Student of Success

Two \$1,000 scholarships to Union County seniors. Apply by Nov. 18th. Click here to learn more.

SCHOLARSHIPS: Keep reviewing scholarships throughout your senior year! New info will be highlighted in **PURPLE!**Pirate Scholarship Document-Click HERE



START WITH HELLO WEEK



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Meet and Greet Monday Sit with someone new at lunch! SEP 19

SEP 20

Growing a Tree of Positivity Stop by our table at lunch to write a positive note.

Wear Green Wednesday SEP 21

SEP 22 Trusted Adult ^{Thursday}
Stop by at lunch to write a note
of thanks to a trusted adult.



2022-2023 CTE INTERNSHIP



"2022-2023 CTE Internship"

Attention 12th graders, if you have successfully completed at least two CTF courses in and reached concentrator status within a career pathway and are interested in participating in a CTE Internship spring semester, log into your Major Clarity account and select Work Based **Learning Opportunities to** fill out the application. Applications must be completed by October 15th. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Webb at sarah.webb@ucps.k12.nc.

US.

The UCPS Career and Technical Education (CTE) Internship Program provides high school seniors opportunity for hands-on experience in areas of career or academic interest prior to college or post-secondary training. Internships may be paid or unpaid. Applications are ranked and processed based on program criteria.

QUALIFICATIONS CHECKLIST

- ☐ Senior during school year / rising senior for summer
- ☐ Has successfully completed at least two CTE courses and reached concentrator status within a career pathway (Priority given to students completed coursework in their internship field.)
- ☐ No more than 7 absences in any semester for the current and past two (2) years
- ☐ No suspensions (ISS or OSS) or serious disciplinary incidents on high school record
- Reliable transportation
- ☐ Encourage at least 2.5 overall GPA
- ☐ Can attend at least eight hours per week
- ☐ Positive feedback on references

APPLICATION PROCESS

- · Complete application in Major Clarity
- · If you arrange your own internship, fill in details and contact information on the application
- · For medical internships, submit vaccination records
- Interview with prospective sponsor(s), if necessary
- . Deadlines: April 15 for a summer internship, May 1 for a first semester internship the following school year and October 1 (medical) or October 15 (non-medical) for a second semester internship.

REQUIRED ASSIGNMENTS

Most assignments are completed online

- Time Sheet Journal
- Reflection Questions Capstone Project
- - Analysis Questions Career Development Articles
- Terminology
- Major Clarity Assignments
- Workplace Readiness Modules

Grade is based on required assignments, attendance at scheduled meetings and sponsor evaluation. Successful completion of the course will result in one unit of general elective credit.

· Grade shows on report card for each grading period

· Grade added to transcript after completion of course requirements

SCHEDULING

Community sponsor and student determine schedule based on the business' hours of operation and their mutual convenience.

- Minimum of 135 total hours required (100 contact hours)
- Student attends at least eight hours per week (two or three days per week for three to four hours per day)

Semester

- Placement must be confirmed by Internship Coordinator before course is added to class schedule
- Completed during first or second semester with one release period

Summer

· Hours and assignments completed before the beginning of first semester

BENEFITS to STUDENT

- · Obtain a more realistic view of a career field and the world of work
- · Connect classroom learning with career opportunities
- · Make more informed decisions regarding postsecondary education or training
- · Gain industry experience
- · Make contacts that will help when applying for specific college programs or scholarships

INFORMATION:

- Go to the CTE website: ucpscte.org
- Log onto Major Clarity and select Work Based Learning Opportunities

Porter Ridge High School sarah.webb@ucps.k12.nc.us 704-292-7662 Office: In Counseling Office



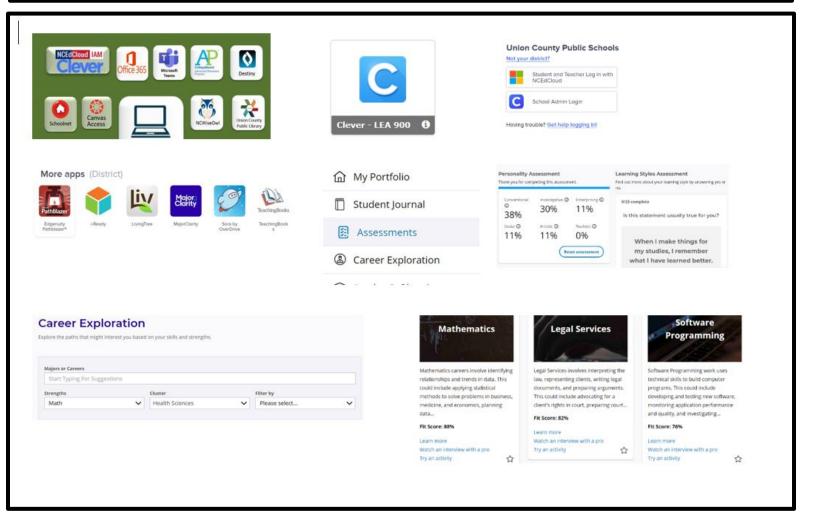


MAJOR CLARITY



"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 questions or would like more information, please email Ms. Webb at sarah.webb@ucps.k12.nc.us.





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 <u>please follow this link</u>. 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 here 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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