

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2024

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FOOD TRUCK

REGISTER BY OCT 14 TO GUARANTEED

RACE DAY REGISTRATION - \$45

FACE PAINTING

REGISTER 10/15-10/26 - \$35 REGISTER 10/27-11/1 - \$40 both Porter Ridge Middle and High Schools. Whether you're a serious runner or just want to spend a morning with some friends, we hope you will join us! Strollers welcome.

Register 10/27-11/1 - \$40

Race Day Registration - \$45

REGISTER BY OCTOBER 14, 2024 TO BE GUARANTEED A SHIRT.

PLEASE NOTE - NO PETS ALLOWED. You will not be able to participate in the 5K with pets. Come and enjoy some Latin food and cultural traditions.



Advisory & Portrait of a Graduate

Students meet in advisory period twice a week on Tuesdays and Thursdays and learn about leadership, goal setting, problem solving, and more. UCPS Graduates are Effective Communicators, Resilient Problem Solvers, Key Contributors, Innovative Leaders, and Skilled Collaborators! Students serve Porter Ridge through Leadership!

Band Members at the Pirate Cove Classic Band Competition!

Stuco hosts our annual Fall Fest and our Athletic Teams and Student Life organizations serve the community!







Excited to take a break and reflect on our Wayfind Scholars! Dr. Wall, Ms. Lawson, and Dr. Fisenne had a great lunch chatting with our students about academics and high school involvement. Our future is bright!





Parents, would you like a chance to be more involved with the students and teachers at PRHS? We are seeking parents willing to support the PTO's work, to donate items for teacher appreciation, PTO, and school events, and willing to volunteer at PTO or school events. Please email Amy Dieffenbach at <u>amy dieffenbach@yahoo.com</u> or Alana White at <u>alanahwhite@gmail.com</u> if you're interested in helping with the PTO in any capacity. We'd love to hear from you and look forward to serving together at our wonderful school!

JOIN OR DONATE USING QR CODE



You can Now Venmo the PTO donations

Please Click here to donate.

Follow the PTO Instagram Page at <u>prhs_pto</u> Please help the PRHS PTO raise money to support teachers, staff, and students by allowing us to link your Harris Teeter VIC Card to our organization! Your card can be linked to more than one organization and you'll multiply the rewards that go toward education. By providing your last name and phone number below, you give us permission to link your VIC card for you. <u>Click here</u> or on the link above.





Student Life Activities

- The Student Lighthouse Team is accepting applications for the 2024-2025 school year for 9th, 10th, & 11th grade students. Please see Mrs. Greer in Room E208 to pick up an application. Applications are due by November 1st.
- Join the National English Honors Society and Creative Writing Club after school in room G109F on November 4th.
- Join the PRHS Film Club to discuss the Christopher Nolan masterpiece Interstellar on November 6th after school in G112.









Student Activities & Programs



Students are reminded to continue to check the <u>Student 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. **Please follow us on social media linked on this page!**



Class Rings and Graduation Orders

Click on the Ad to go to the class rings website



PORTER RIDGE CLASS RING SALE STARTS TODAY!

Click on the Ad to go to the graduation order website

Porter Ridge Seniors: Time to place Your Graduation Orders!

Seniors: It's time to Order Cap and Gowns, Graduation Announcements and Senior 2025 Gear! Order Deadline Friday, November 15

> Go to IG Bio or to link on facebook TO PLACE Porter Ridge SENIOR ORDERS!







Questions? (800) 567-8367 or chris.gaither@jostens.com

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PRHS COUNSELING NEWS

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-Sao <u>cassidy.jarrett@ucps.k12.nc.us</u>

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. Need Career advice or direction? Talk to your Counselor or Career Development Coordinator, Ms. Sarah Webb today to see all of the pathways and academies PR has to offer! <u>Click here for more info</u>...

Applications are open for the U.S. Senate Youth Program for high school juniors and seniors!

Two student delegates and two alternates will be selected to represent North Carolina during Washington Week, March 1-8, 2025. Each delegate will also receive a \$10,000 undergraduate college scholarship. Learn more and apply for the United States Senate Youth Program.

https://ncdpi.instructure.com/courses/6560/ pages/united-states-senate-youth-program

ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

N.C. YOUTH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY (YLA)

THE YLA IS A THREE-DAY PROGRAM THAT ALLOWS STUDENTS TO DRAFT, DEBATE AND VOTE ON MOCK LEGISLATIVE BILLS WHILE DEVELOPING SKILLS IN RESEARCH, INTERVIEWING, GROUP FACILITATION AND POLICY WRITING. THE CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD MARCH 7-9, 2025.

> APPLY AT NCLEG.GOV/YLA



ARE YOU INTERESTED IN JOINING A BRANCH IN THE MILITARY?

Sign up to take the ASVAB test on December 4th at PRHS from 12:30 – 3:00 PM. This test helps predict future academic and occupational success in the military. https://forms.gle/HGPFjyaab865M2Mp8







PRHS COUNSELING NEWS





NC STATE'S WILSON COLLEGE OF TEXTILES SCHOLARSHIPS

NC STATE Wilson College of Textiles

A VARIETY OF SCHOLARSHIPS FOR STUDENTS WHO ARE INTERESTED IN ENGINEERING, BUSINESS MANAGEMENT, DESIGN, CHEMISTRY, POLYMERS, FORENSICS, MEDICINE, FASHION MERCHANDISING AND RETAIL MANAGEMENT.

EMAIL MS. JARRETT BY NOVEMBER 6 IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN BEING NOMINATED!



PRHS COUNSELING NEWS

SAVE THE DATE:

Great Turkey Countdown 2024 is Saturday November 23!

Thanksgiving Meals Provided <u>Apply online at Common Heart/ Great Turkey Countdown!</u> Common Heart- P.O. Box 2761 Indian Trail, NC 28079 Indian Trail Center- 116 Business Park Dr. Indian Trail, NC 28079

Union County Christmas Bureau

Now Accepting Application: Oct. 7-Nov. 22, 2024

It is time to start thinking about Christmas! The Union County Christmas Bureau is now accepting applications from individuals and families seeking assistance this upcoming holiday season.

The Union County Christmas Bureau is donor-funded and volunteer-driven. It provides holiday gifts and food to families who need a helping hand. Our dedicated community is what makes our endeavors possible.

The program is always in need of support through volunteering, donating gifts, or sponsoring a child or family.

Apply For Assistance

To be eligible for assistance, there must be children in the household, age 18 and younger, at the time of application, or a disabled or senior adult receiving income through Social Security or Medicaid.

The Applications process for the 2024 holiday season starts Monday, Oct, 7 and ends Friday, Nov. 22

Applications will be taken by phone

Call 704-296-4828- Monday-Friday, 9 am-3:30 pm

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College Readiness Student Opportunities

59th Annual NCCDA POETRY CONTEST

Creating my Career Path: Embracing Change in my Journey



NCCDA https://nccdaonline.org/

- Adults and students enrolled in public, private, and parchial schools in states with participating NCDA state divisions are eligible. A list of participating state divisions is available on the NCDA website at www.ncda.org.
- Contest division areas include: Primary Grades K 2
- Intermediate Grades 3 5 • Middle Grades 6 - 8
- Senior Grades 9 12
 Adult Student 18 and older enrolled in school Open Adult 18 & older (Teachers, parents, professionals, etc)

Each entry should celebrate and inspire career development with a positive tone while emphasizing the national theme.

Requirements for Poems

- · Poetic Form: Acceptable poetic forms, e.g.
- cinquain, free verse, diamante, haiku, limerick, metered, rhyming, blank verse
 Size: Submit each poem on a single sheet of paper 8.5" x 11", 12 point font.

Requirements for Art

- Lettering: Simple bold lettering is preferred. Captions are to be used to convey the theme, attract attention, and to achieve goals of clarity, vigor, and originality. All lettering will be considered part of the design.
- Media
- Art 1 (A1): Standard use of ink, pencil, poster paints, magic marker, acrylics, and oils • Art 2 (A2): Use of photos, clipart, graphic art

software, collage, cut and pasted paper, and mixed media. - Size: Each



Contest Deadlines

- Building/School Contest Submitted to State Contest by December 20, 2024 State Contest winners will be submitted to National Contest by February 20, 2025 Submission Link (for all submissions)
 - https://forms.gle/UcLi2iXnPApcus2SA



North Carolina State Contacts

Judging Process

- Judging will be based on originality, creativity, and development of the national theme
- Poems will be evaluated on appropriate form, execution, spelling, and grammar
- Please adhere to the size requirements for each entry as many entries are received.

- National awards will be given to the first, second, and third place winners in the six divisions in both the Poetry and Art Contests. National winners will be recognized on the NCDA website, www.ncda.org, in May of 2025.
- The winning entries will also be on display at the Annual Global Conference to be held in Atlanta, Georgia, June 18–20 2025.
- National winners will receive from the National Career Development Association, a certificate, and special congratulations gift.

For more information and to register, visit https://bit.ly/collegereadysessions.

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2024-2025 College Readiness Series

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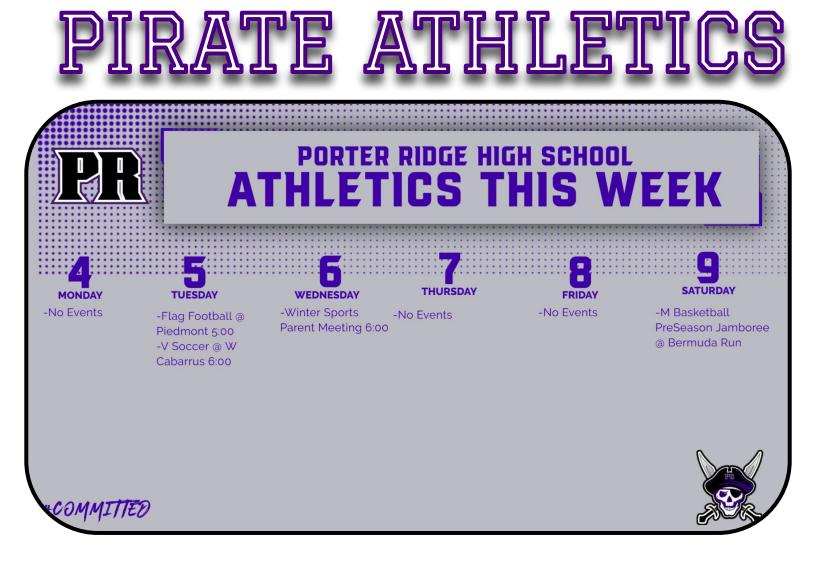
Scoir for Seniors	August 27, 2024	Webinar
College Entrance Exams 101	September 17, 2024	Webinar
Union County College Fair	October 13, 2024	CATA
FAFSA Completion Support	November 7, 2024	Monroe branch of the Union County Library
Getting Ready for College	November 16, 2024	Wingate University
ACT/SAT Blitz	November 23, 2024	Location TBD
High School Programs Expo	December 7, 2024	Union County Ag Center (hosted by CTE)
ACT Blitz	February 1, 2025	Location TBD
College Transition for Students with IEPs and 504s	February 4, 2025	Webinar
Practice ACT Series	February 8, 2025 and March 1, 2025	Location TBD
SAT Blitz	March 22, 2025	Location TBD
Practice SAT Series	March 29, 2025 and April 12, 2025	Location TBD
What Makes a Good College Essay?	May 13, 2025	Webinar

Elizabeth Bartell - elizabeth.bartell@ucps.k12.nc.us Allison Gibson - allison.gibson@sccnc.edu

Criteria

- Art evaluation will focus on the appropriate use of media, lettering, and basic principles of art.

National Awards



Sport	Coach	Email Address
Athletic Director	Justin Leath	JUSTIN.LEATH@ucps.k12.nc.us
Cheer	Ashley Lawson	ashley.lawson@ucps.k12.nc.us
Cheer JV	Karen Gault	ashley.lawson@ucps.k12.nc.us
Cross Country	Lea Schullery	lea.schullery@ucps.k12.nc.us
Football	Michael Hertz	michael.hertz@ucps.k12.nc.us
Men's Soccer JV	Angelo Joaquin	angelo.joaquin@ucps.k12.nc.us
Men's Soccer Varsity	Ron Ladimir	ron.ladimir@ucps.k12.nc.us
Women's Golf	David Scholl	djscholl1@gmail.com
Women's Tennis	Tom McQueen	tjmcqueen@earthlink.net
Volleyball	Heather Welch	heather.welch@ucps.k12.nc.us











SOCCER NETS 3 WINS IN ITS LAST THREE REGULAR SEASON GAMES VS JM ROBINSON, CUTHBERTSON, AND SUN VALLEY!

PIRATE ATHLETICS

ATHLETIC DEPT RAFFLE FUNDRAISER

Money collected from this fundraiser will help support our program with operational costs and equipment. The QR Code will take you to the Raffle page. Every \$10 equals 1 chance to win!!





PORTER RIDGE ATHLETIC ZONE-OUR OFFICIAL ATHLETIC WEBSITE- CLICK THE QR CODE OR -USE THE CODE. -



ENTRY TO ALL PRHS REGULAR SEASON HOME

GAMES FOR ALL SPORTS 50 YD LINE PRIORITY SEATING PRABC REMBERSHIP EXCLUSIVE T-SHIRT

PORTER RIDGE ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB

24-25 PIRATE PASS

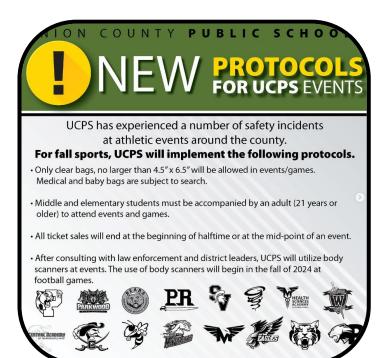
CLICK HERE TO PURCHASE TICKETS CLICK HERE TO VISIT THE PORTER RIDGE ATHLETIC BOOSTERS WEBSITE

Good evening Pirate Families,

We just have a few regular season games left this Fall Season and would appreciate help with staffing our concessions stand! Thank you for considering donating some of your time.

PLEASE CLICK ON THIS LINK TO SIGN

UP





more information.

PORTER RIDGE RUGBY

PIRATE ATHLETICS

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN

All experience levels welcome. Register Today!









WHY PLAY RUGBY?

LESS RISK OF INJURY

Rugby's continuous play and emphasis on tackling techniques can reduce the risk of concussions and other head injuries.

SKILL DEVELOPMENT

Rugby requires a wide range of skills, including passing, kicking, tackling, and running, which can enhance overall athleticism.

VARIETY OF STRATEGIES

Rugby's tactical complexity and multiple ways to score can make the game more interesting and challenging.

TEAMWORK & COMARDAERIE

Rugby's emphasis on teamwork and sportsmanship can foster strong bonds among players.

LESS SPECIALIZATION

Rugby doesn't typically require players to specialize in a single position, allowing for more balanced development and enjoyment.

GLOBAL SPORT

Rugby is a popular sport worldwide, offering players opportunities to travel and compete internationally.



COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS

Rugby is the fastest-growing college sport in America for both men and women. Since becoming an Olympic sport in 2016, rugby has gained even more recognition, with the first-ever Major League Rugby (MLR) Collegiate Draft taking place in June 2020. Increasingly, collegiate rugby programs are being designated as varsity sports, offering scholarships and receiving significant funding from their schools.





For more information about Porter Ridge Rugby contact Coach Jason Paquette jason@cjrarugby.com or 704.277.7630



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Important Links

School Forms- CLICK HERE

Visitor on Campus Information- CLICK <u>HERE</u>

Click here for the PRHS Student Handbook

for the Tardy Policy, Dress Code, & Attendance Requirements

TECHNOLOGY USE, FEES & HELP

UCPS HAS INSTITUTED A TECHNOLOGY FEE of \$30 this year that all students must pay. <u>Click here for the online</u> <u>payment system</u>. Info on this fee was emailed home earlier this summer, but it will help to cover accidental damage. Mr. Jason Toudt is our Technology Systems Engineer.

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> 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

Family Information

Transportation information can be found on the <u>UCPS Transportation</u> <u>pages</u>.

The school system is using the Edulog App this year to track your bus. Please see the flyer below: Video on how to install the app: <u>CLICK HERE</u>

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

Transportation Information- CLICK <u>HERE</u>

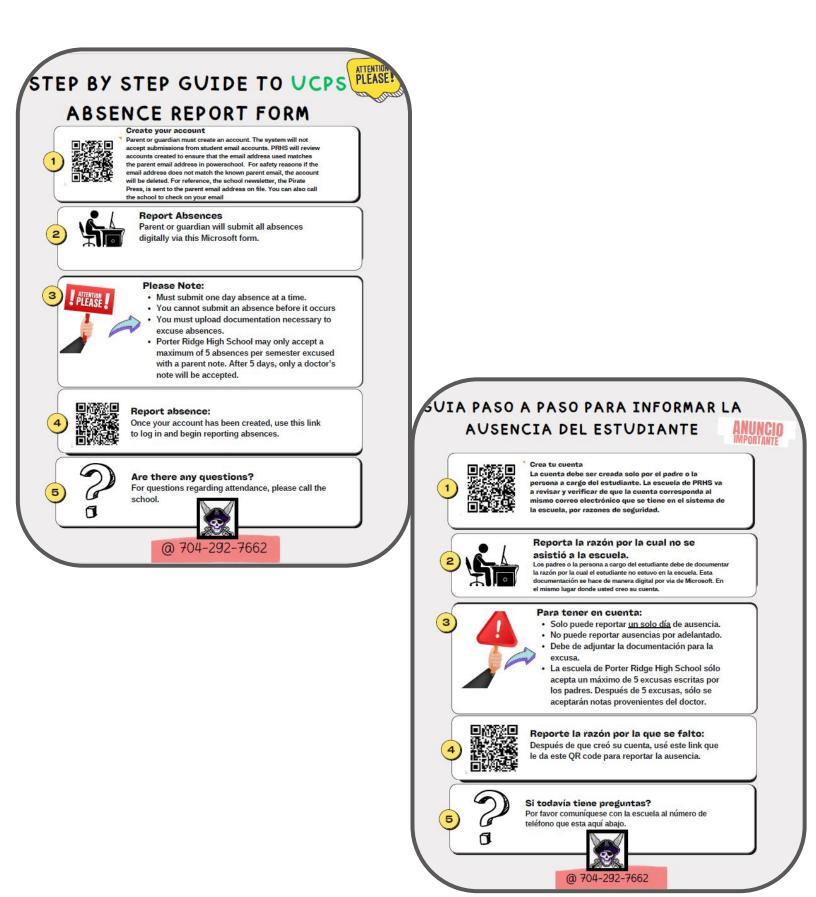
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 Cell phones (headphones) may be used in a respectful manner during class transitions in between class periods and during lunches.

- → 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.

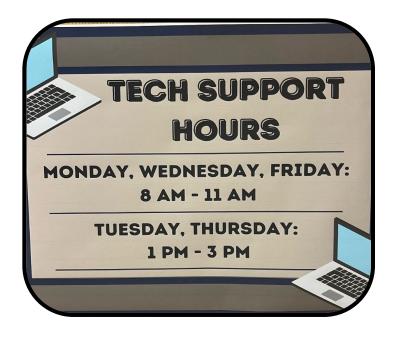


New Attendance Procedures









	Chromebook Help Students who get the following message		
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the @	vide your student UCPS Login Credentials. Use your student ID # @ucps.k12.nc.us. DO NOT add student. k "Sign in"		
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	User Name 1234567@ucps.k12.nc.us		
	Sign In		
	Need help? Contact our support team at		

Please <u>Click HERE</u> to obtain, sign, and review school forms.

<u>Click HERE</u> for all school payments including past due fees and current technology fees.

Attend Today and Achieve Tomorrow

Student attendance at school is expected and is necessary for students to make the most of their learning. Please work with us as we try to teach our students that attendance is required, just as it would be at a job in their future.

- Parents can provide notes for up to five days that a student is absent. After those days PRHS will require a doctor/medical note to excuse the absence.
- An absence will be recorded as unexcused until the note is submitted. Parent notes must be in within five days of the student's return to school.
- If a student misses 8 or more days of school in a semester, whether the absences are excused or unexcused, the student may fail the course due to attendance.



Ports of Information for Pirates:

Follow us on Facebook: PorterRidgeHS.NC

Follow us on Instagram: #Committed #InItTogether #WeRPR @prhsffa @porterridgefootball @prhs pirates @porterridgecheer @prbandofpirates @prhs_volleyball @prhscounseling @pr_athletic_booster_club @prhs.running @prhsbaseball @prhs.beta.club @prhscs @prhs.piratenation @prhs_frenchclub_ @prhs_hosa @pr.nahs @prhs.wrestling @prhs_interactclub @prhs.nhs @prhs.knittingandcrocheting @prhs_discgolf @prhsfieldhockey @prhswomenslax @porterridgesoftball @ucpsnc @pmhs_afjrotc @prhs castaways @prhs.draft.robotix @prhsbookclub @prhsmualphatheta @aghoulihan @prhs.jcl.club @porterridgeswimming @prhspiratecheer @prhs_gsa_ @prhswtennis @prhs.dnd.club @pr_nehs @PRHS_Vocal_Treasures @prhsspeechanddebate @prhs_mha_saves @prhsfilmclub @prphilosophyclub @prhspirates4christ @prhs_humanities @growinggreen_prhs @Prhs_pto @prhs_spanish.club @prhs.outdoors.club @prguards @prhsmenslacrosse @lawandjusticeskillsusa @prhs.culinaryarts @prb.o.b @porter.ridgewbb @ucpsncathletics @prhs_menssoccer @the.hook.student.media @prhs4mun @prhs_sewing_and_upcycling @prhs.rise @prhs_fieldclub @porterridgepe_department @prhstaap @rhokappaprhs @skillsusa_piedmont_porterridge @prhs_esports

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