





We are proud of this PRHS Alum who has made it to the Top 5 UCPS Teacher of the Year nominees! Mr. Chavis excels in the classroom and in building leadership here at PRHS!



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Registration 2025-2026 Rising 10th, 11th, and 12th Grade Registration is HAPPENING NOW!!!! Please check out Page 2

PIRATE COVE

Join us Tuesdays and Thursdasys From 3:10 -4:10

p.m. in the Media Center.

PEER TUTORS FROM MATH, ENGLISH, AND SCIENCE WILL BE

AVAILABLE TO HELP ALONG WITH A MATH TEACHER !!

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PRHS COUNSELING NEWS

Registration Timeline

Thursday, January 30th to Friday, February 7th

 Students will enter their course selections into PowerSchool through their student account (directions on next slide)

Friday, February 7th

★ All course requests are to be submitted online by 5:00 pm

February 10th to March 7th

 Counselors will meet with students individually to review their course selections through their 2nd block classes (schedule on another slide)
 This is a quick review of your selection courses. If you have questions please meet with your assigned counselor prior to your assigned registration day

Registration Directions

- 1. Log into your PowerSchool Account.
- 2. Click Class Registration

You will see the following Registration Boxes -English, Math, Science, Social Studies, World Language, A/B Day, Physical Education, Miscellaneous, Fine & Performing Arts, CTE, Alternates, and UCPS Electives



Registration Directions

- 1. Each Registration Box has details explaining what course to select.
- 2. You will click the pencil to review the actual course selections and then select your course.

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 Click the edit button to request a course #

 English IV is the required serior English class. If choosing AP Literature must also choose AP Research in the AB Day look.

 Number of requests to cereate : 1

Registration - Next Steps

- ★ <u>REMEMBER</u>, Everyone must select FOUR Alternates!!!
- ★ If you have questions about a recommendation please ask your teacher(s).
- ★ If you have questions about class selections please reach out to your assigned counselor.
- ★ All forms you will need are located in the Counseling Suite and on the PRHS website under Quick Links - <u>HS</u> <u>Course Registration</u>
- ★ Forms are due March 14th, 2025!

FEBRUARY 2025 Registration Schedule

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9 Counselor & Student Meetings Begin!!	10 (A) Gordon Greer Joaquin Smith, T. Warning	11 (B) Allran Batchelor Baucom Boino	12 (A) Boryczewski Bridges Brown Byrum Chavis	13 (B) Cheron Clancey Cosma Craig Diaz	14 (A) Drake Ellis Frady Hertz Small	15
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Student Life Activities

★ MHA-SAVES, the Mental Health Awareness Club will have their next meeting on Wednesday, March 5th, from 3:15-4:15 in G110. This will be a De-stress Sun Leaf-Printing Activity! Everyone is welcome, and all materials will be provided. Hope to see you there!



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!**



Student Life Activities

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SCHOOL SUPPLIES	FOR SALE
MECHANICAL PENCIL	\$0.50
FOLDER	\$0.75
NOTEBOOK PAPER (20)	\$0.75
FELT TIP PEN	\$1.00
LEAD REFILLS	\$0.25
PEN	\$0.50
ERASER X2	\$0.25
DRY ERASE MARKER	\$0.25
POSTER BOARD	\$1.00
BUNDLE PACKS	
2 MECHANICAL PENCILS	\$1.25
& PACK OF LEAD	
FOLDER, PENCIL, PAPER	\$2.00















PROM is in 6 weeks! First Round of tickets go to sale 2/24 to 2/28 at all lunches for \$70 each! You must have paid your schools fees and ALL Lunch fees! See Ms. Lawson with questions!!



Senior Information

Seniors - Many Seniors ordered their Cap and Gown sets already, but we still have a lot of Seniors to go. Please see the flier below and order your cap and gown today. Once you get to the link there are many options. If you just want the cap, gown, and tassel set it costs \$39 but you must scroll almost all the way down the page to be able to click on it.

Thanks! CLICK HERE TO ORDER





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!

Pirate Gram Recognition from Teachers

Dylan Curry- Has the best journal responses everyday! -Ms. Boryczewski Sol Juliana Wright- Insightfulness & creative set design commentary. Ms. Boryczewski Ivan Gonzalez- Highest score on Solo Pantomime Performance! -Ms. Boryczewski Nathaniel Marte- Effective communicator, always asking thoughtful questions. -Ms. Boino Julius Jean- Louis- Way to go! Highest grade on Unit 1 Pre- test! -Ms. Boino Antonio Ginocchio- Kudos! Highest grade on Unit 1 Exam. -Ms. Boino Paola Diaz- Off to a great start with AP Portfolio this semester! -Ms. Baucom William Cordova- Doing a great job participating in class & helping classmates! -Ms. Glenn Dominic Jackson- Participating more, listening, and staying on top of his work! -Ms. Glenn Kensington Reddish- Always a bright spirit. Enjoy having her in my class. -Ms. Glenn Austin Carnes- Great addition & always turns in all work! Always has a positive attitude! -Ms. Wiles Olivia Collison- Organized & great contributor! -Ms. Wiles Dinah Yelverton- Highest grade on Unit 1 test! -Ms. Wiles Hillary Perez Perez- Used the online application & asked great questions! -Ms. Kasler Zyana Rendon- Being a Reading Rockstar! -Ms. Kasler Ilia Polevoi- Completing the most assignments online! -Ms. Kasler Kira Briggs Manga- Going above & beyond on projects & class work & walking the Pirate Walk! -Mr. Byrum

Logan Diaz- Outstanding work & being a true Pirate in the class! -Mr. Byrum

Griffin Harty- Always working hard & participating in class! -Mr. Byrum

Margaret Harbour- Working hard! -Ms. Hill

Riley Morin- Working hard & being helpful! -Ms. Hill

Madison Murphy- working hard & being kind! -Ms. Hill

Katherine Forbes- Underwood- Thank you for always completing all of your work. You demonstrate a strong work ethic to your academic excellence! Keep up teh good work! -Ms. Goldberg

Asia Antone- Great job doing all your work! Continue to finish your senior year strong! -Ms. Goldberg

Christian Quinones- Keep pushing forward and continue to work hard. Your hard work & dedication will pay off! -Ms. Goldberg

Sophiya Neupane- Great teamwork, good reserach skills! -Ms. Craig

Alexi Hall- Very motivated & willing to help others! -Ms. Craig

Camille White- Kind, polite & always ready to participate! -Ms. Craig

Maritza Velazquez Miranda- You are a great listener & always actively participate. -Ms. Smith

Maxwell Konigsburg- I appreciate your positive attitude & for always being a supportive classmate. -Ms. Smith





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Pirate Gram Recognition from Teachers

Quinten Colwell- You have been an ideal student. Your desire to learn & grow is inspiring. -Ms. Smith Alexa Leadenham- Great job being on task & willing to participate in class! -Ms. Welch Beckett Howie- Great class participation & help! -Ms. Welch Andrea Mejia- Great class participation & work on assignments. -Ms. Welch Axel Martinez Marquez- Most improvement. Hard work & dedication to learning. -Ms. Dunne Kaleb Lee- Highest average in class. -Ms. Batchelor Thalles De Oliveira- Dedication to Drafting, completing 3 levels, & 2 different disciplines! -Ms. Batchelor Dylan Glass- Highest average in class. -Ms. Batchelor Noah Ababu- Great job on turning in all of your assignments. -Mr. Anthony Jaylah- Thanks for being that wonderful student who always puts forth the extra effort! -Mr. Anthony Adhitya Adiga- Great job! -Mr. Anthony Dylan DeLuccia- Thanks for bringing such joy to my day! Your smile is what makes teaching fun! -Mr. Anthony Dimitri Minakakis- Thanks for trying so hard to do great work! -Mr. Anthony Alexander Warwick- You are a prize student. Keep up the great work! -Mr. Anthony

Reginald Boyd- You are a student a teacher can really be proud of! -Mr. Anthony Shelby Lankford- Your great work ethic shows in all you do! -Mr. Anthony Maileigh Olivares- I really enjoy having yoru in class as a student. You are awesome! -Mr. Anthony Alexis Tovar- Great job! -Mr. Anthony Adalynn Scott- Working incredibly hard to do her best in a subject that is challenging. -Ms. Olson OSwaldo Munoz Ortiz- Comes to class with great energy, positive attitude & helpful to his peers! -Ms. Olson Kailee Del Campo- Always postive, herdworking, helpful to others & giving 100% effirt! -Ms. Olson Angel Sanchez Fregoso- Ms. Brown Awalee Aracena- Ms. Brown



Parent Information

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

<u>Please Click here</u> to donate.

Follow the PTO Instagram Page at prhs_pto 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.





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 cassidy.jarrett@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.

Student of Success **Scholarship**



Eligible Seniors Academic Year 2024 - 2025 **Details and Dates**



wo \$1,000 academic scholarships will be awarded to Union County Fwo \$1,000 academic scholarships will be awarded to Wilson County seniors nic scholarships will be awarded to Mecklenburg County wo \$1,000 acade emic scholarship will be awarded to a Monroe High School ng Redhawk Award

en from January 20, 2025 through March 13, 2025 ced April 2025 ounced May 2025

Submission Requirements

- Aust be a high school senior attending school in Union County, NC, Wilson County, NC, or Mecklenburg County
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- One short answer

List of extracurricular activities

Full details at www.StateofSuccess.org

PRHS COUNSELING NEWS

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! **Click here for more info...**

Porter Ridge High School

Graduation

Tuesday, June 10 8:00pm **PRHS Stadium**

XSCHOLARSHIP Ж **OPPORTUNITIES**

THE PIRATE SCHOLARSHIP O DOCUMENT HAS BEEN UPDATED WITH SEVERAL **NEW SCHOLARSHIPS**

MAKE SURE TO CHECK THE Ø DOCUMENT FREQUENTLY FOR NEW OPPORTUNITIES

DOCUMENT CAN BE FOUND ON THE PRHS WEBSITE, STUDENT CANVAS ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND LINKED IN OUR INSTAGRAM BIO

PRHS COUNSELING NEWS



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

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

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WEDNESDAYS IN GUIDANCE

EMAIL NOW TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT: CSTURDIVANT@SPCC.EDU

High School Seniors!

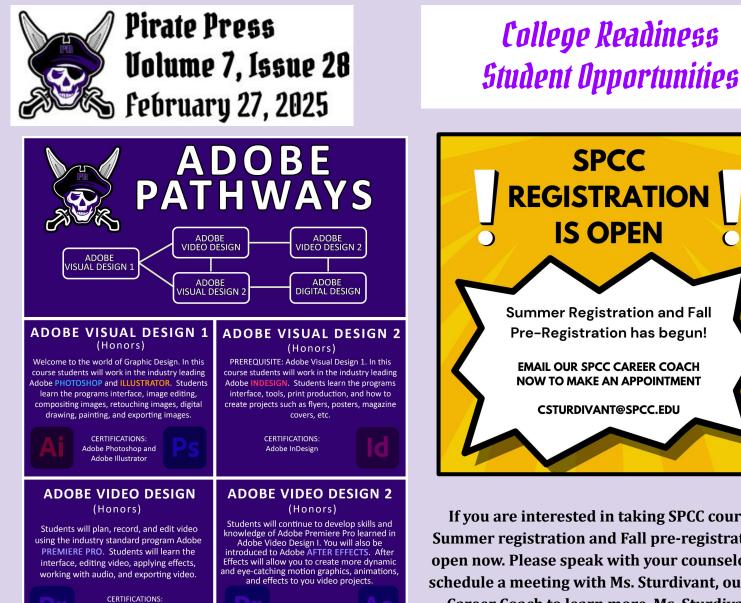
Apply today for a chance to receive a \$1,000 College Scholarship!



Two ways to apply :

- Visit union-power.com/collegescholarships
- Scan the QR code

APPLY BY MARCH 1



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If you are interested in taking SPCC courses, Summer registration and Fall pre-registration is open now. Please speak with your counselor and schedule a meeting with Ms. Sturdivant, our SPCC Career Coach to learn more. Ms. Sturdivant's email can be found in the Guidance Lobby.





College Readiness Student Opportunities













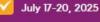
SUMMER Leadership Experience

Unlock your potential this summer with the ROTARY 7680 leadership program!

OUR SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM:



For Rising Juniors and Seniors in High School



Gardner Webb University

Designed by Center for Creative Leadership





https://rotary7680.org/sftl/





SCHOLARSHIP ELIGIBILITY:

Students must attend Porter Ridge, Sun Valley, Metrolina, or be a homeschool student from Indian Trail

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Complete online application and submit an essay by April 9.

SCHOLARSHIP DETAILS:

A total of \$10,000 will be awarded to graduating seniors pursuing further education at a college, university or trade school.





College Readiness Student Opportunities

"Academy Pathway Applications 2025-2026" - Rising 11th & 12th Graders

Academy applications for the 2025-2026 school year is now open. To learn more about the academies UCPS has to offer and for the application, please visit the <u>UCPS Career</u> <u>Readiness</u> (https://ucpscte.org/) page on the UCPS website or see your Career Development Coordinator, Mrs. Webb in guidance.

Nurse Aide (CNA) & EMT Academy - Deadline - Thursday, March 6th

*The application for Nurse Aide & the *New* EMT academy **MUST** be returned to Ms. Webb no later than Thursday, March 6th. If the application is not turned in by Thursday, March 6th, students will be put on a waitlist.

Cosmetology Academy - Deadline - Monday, May 5th

*The application for Cosmetology **MUST** be returned to Ms. Webb no later than Monday, May 5th. If the application is not turned in by Monday, May 5th, students will be put on a waitlist.

"2025-2026 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 postsecondary training. The 2025-2026 CTE Internship application is now open. 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 2025 Internship March 1st
- Fall 2025 Semester May 1st
- Spring 2026 Semester October 1st

If you have any questions, please contact your Career Development Coordinator, Mrs. Webb at <u>sarah.webb@ucps.k12.nc.us</u>.

The CTE Academy applications are now open. If you are interested in any CTE academy please visit the UCPS CTE web page or see Ms. Webb in guidance. The Nurse Aide and EMT academy is due back to Ms. Webb no later than Thursday, March 6th & Cosmetology deadline is Monday, May 5th.

<u>CLICK HERE TO APPLY</u>

<u>CLICK HERE TO LEARN MORE</u>



Sport	Coach	Email Address
Baseball Varsity	Tommy Small	Thomas.Small@ucps.k12.nc.us
Men's Golf	David Scholl	djscholl1@gmail.com
Men's Lacrosse	Jack Callahan	callahanjack561@gmail.com
Men's Tennis	Tom McQueen	tjmcqueen@earthlink.net
Softball	Kevin Allran	kevin.allran@ucps.k12.nc.us
Men's/ Women's Track and Field	Meredith Forrest	Meredith.Forrest@ucps.k12.nc.us
Women's Lacrosse	Deevo Tindall	deevo@thebrandstoryteller.com
Women's Soccer Varsity	Jade Cheron	Jade.Cheron@ucps.k12.nc.us

PIRATE ATHLETICS

<u>Athletic Results</u>

<u>Girls Soccer</u>

Girls Soccer wins 3-0 vs Parkwood and 2-0 vs Piedmont

<u>Boys Tennis</u>

Won on Monday vs. Parkwood 9-0 and beat Independence on Tuesday 9-0

<u>Baseball</u>

Baseball beat Piedmont 8-2 and CATA 14-6

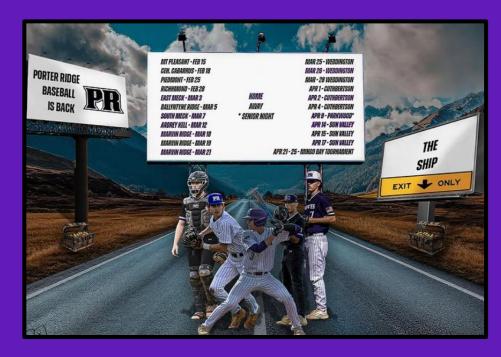
<u>Softball</u>

Softball lost to Charlotte Latin 8-4 and Hough 6-5 in extra innings.

Boys LAX

LAX lost to Ardrey Kell







PIRATE ATHLETICS





Congratulations to Our 2024-2025 All-Conference Players! A huge shoutout to Ashanti Taylor and Kali Williams who have been named All-Conference for the 2024-2025 basketball season

Congrats Kriz Flores on a great season! Number 2 in the State- 4A 165!!! We are so proud of you!







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

CLICK HERE TO PURCHASE <u>TICKETS</u> CLICK HERE TO VISIT THE PORTER RIDGE ATHLETIC BOOSTERS WEBSITE











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> pages.

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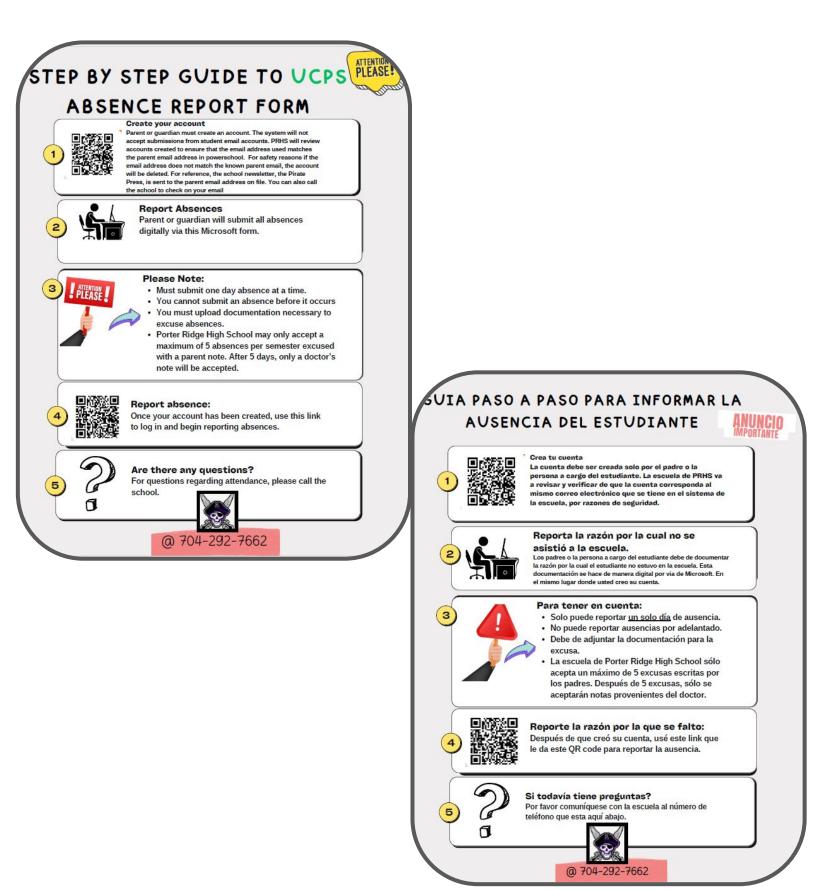
 Cell phones (headphones) may be used in a respectful manner during class transitions in between class periods and during lunches.

- → 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.



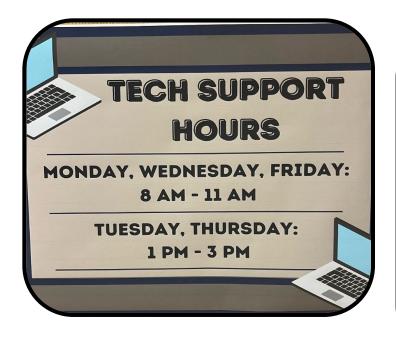
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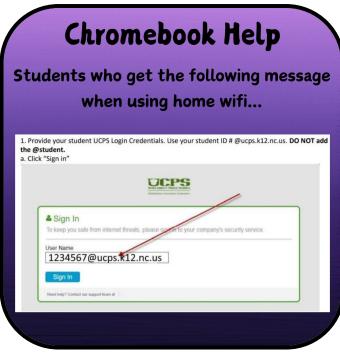
New o February 27, 2025 Attendance Procedures





Attendance, Chromebooks & Info





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:

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