



# Pirate Press

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## 2025

**END OF YEAR CHECKLIST**

- Complete your Senior Survey
- Indicate in Scoir your after high school plans
- Email Ms. Jarrett any scholarships you have received

**SETTING SAIL TO SENIOR YEAR  
JUNIOR PRESENTATION**

🦴 **DURING TUESDAY ADVISORIES**

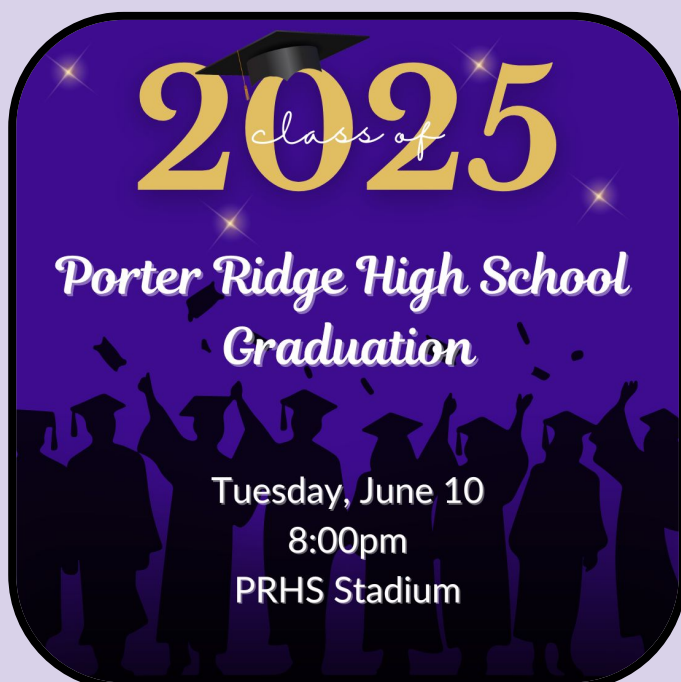
🦴 **LEARN ABOUT THE COLLEGE PROCESS**

🦴 **GET STARTED ON COLLEGE APP ACCOUNTS**

Scan to Register Now:



[Click here for the Senior Letter with important information for Graduation](#)  
Check out the rest of the newsletter for more Information about Senior Week and the senior pages



class of

## 2025

**Porter Ridge High School  
Graduation**

Tuesday, June 10  
8:00pm  
PRHS Stadium

Food for Families

## Food Drive

We are collecting food items and non-perishable goods until May 16, 2025

Donations can be dropped off in Guidance, the Front Office, or at the Morning Car Rider Line



# Senior Information

[CLICK HERE FOR THE SENIOR LETTER WITH IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR GRADUATION](#)

## Academic Signing & Awards Day

WEDNESDAY, MAY 21ST  
8:30AM IN THE PRHS MAIN GYM

STUDENTS MAY BRING UP TO 2 GUESTS. PARENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND!

## SENIOR BREAKFAST

TUESDAY, MAY 20TH

JOIN US DURING 1ST BLOCK IN THE CAFETERIA FOR YEARBOOKS AND BREAKFAST!

## Sprinkle us your Scholarships!

*Seniors, join us for an ice cream scholarship celebration during Advisory on May 22nd*

*All scholarships must be turned into Mrs. Jarrett by May 16th to attend!*

## 2025 Senior Beach Bash

Friday | May 23

Food and Drinks Provided

11:00 AM - 12:30 PM

Location: Stadium

Free Entry!

Bring sunscreen, water, and blanket!



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# Senior Week

The Porter Ridge Student Council Proudly Presents...

## Senior Week!

**ONLY SENIORS & STAFF PARTICIPANTS**  
for the spirit days. **HOWEVER, ALL GRADE LEVELS** may sign up for Craft Cove, Sand Volleyball, Pickleball, & Kickball Tournaments!

**5/19**

### Dynamic Duo

Dress up as a famous pair or duo!



- Senior Switch Day
- Sand Volleyball Tournament @CC-4:30 p.m.

**5/20**

### Battle of the Ages

Dress up as a toddler or a senior citizen!



- Senior Breakfast @8:10 a.m.
- Pickleball Tournament @Tennis Court-5:30 p.m.

**5/21**

### Fast Forward Wednesday

Dress up in your college gear or future career!



- Academic Awards & Signing
- Kickball @ PR Practice Fields- 4:45 p.m.

**5/22**

### H.A.G.S

Wear a white shirt to be signed by your friends during advisory. Bring your own sharpies!

**NO INAPPROPRIATE WRITINGS OR DRAWINGS**



- Elementary School Walks @8:10-9:30a.m.
- Senior Scholarship Ice Cream Social
- Craft Cove @G-Wing-3:45 p.m.

**5/23**

### Teen Beach Day

Dress for the summer!

- Hats
- Sunglasses/goggles
- Floaties
- MUST BE IN DRESS CODE**



- Senior Slideshow & Razzies @9:10a.m.
- Senior Beach Bash @11a.m.-12:45p.m.

**Seniors-Do you want to represent your class and share your story at graduation? This is your chance to be the student speaker at the ceremony. Auditions will be held on May 27th at 9:45 AM. If you are interested, please see Ms. Anderson by May 16th to sign up or get more information. We can't wait to hear your voice and celebrate the Class of 2025.**





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## *Student Life Activities*

**FRIENDSHIP BRACELETS!**

# *Craft Cove*

**SLIME!**

**MAY 22<sup>ND</sup> @ 3:45**  
**in G-Wing Atrium**

**Sign-ups @ Lunch:**  
**04/28 - 05/02**

**ONLY 40 SPOTS!**

**BRING YOUR OWN WHITE T-SHIRT!**

**TOTE BAG PAINTING!**

# **PICKLEBALL TOURNAMENT**

**TUESDAY MAY 20TH 2025**  
**@ 5:30-7:30 PM**

LOCATED AT THE TENNIS COURTS

**FOOD AND DRINKS WILL BE PROVIDED**

2 PLAYERS PER TEAM

**SIGN UPS: 4/9- 4/17 AND 4/28-5/2**

## **Kickball Tournament**

**May 21 @5pm**

**Sign-ups: 4/14-4/30**  
**at all lunches**

**Teams of 6 to 7 players**

**Free to play and watch**

## **SAND VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT**

**Sign-ups: April 28th - May 2nd**  
**at all lunches**

**TEAMS OF 6-7**

**MAY 19TH 4:30PM**

**240 CHESTNUT PKWY, INDIAN TRAIL, NC 28079**

**TEAM UNIFORMS ENCOURAGED**

**FREE TO PLAY!**

Students are reminded to continue to check the [Student Daily Announcement Page](#) 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 [PRHS Website](#). 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

HUMANITIES CLUB PRESENTS...

## PIE THE PIRATE!

**DR. WALL!**  
**MRS. WILES!**  
**AND MORE!**

**\$1 FOR TEACHER**  
**\$5 FOR ADMIN**

**ENTER THE RAFFLE AT ALL LUNCHES FOR A CHANCE TO PIE YOUR FAVORITE TEACHERS!**

**PIE DAY: 5/2 AT THE MULTICULTURAL FESTIVAL!**

**MULTICULTURAL FESTIVAL**

PRHS HUMANITIES

- Italian Ice!
- Raffles!
- Pinata!
- Face Paint!
- Henna
- Plants!
- Games!

**MAY 2ND**  
 2025  
 5:00 - 7:00  
 PRHS STADIUM CIRCLE  
 PARK IN STUDENT PARKING LOT

Check out for more: [@prhs\\_humanities](#)

**THE STOCKYARD SCHOOL SUPPLIES**

**\*CASH ONLY\***

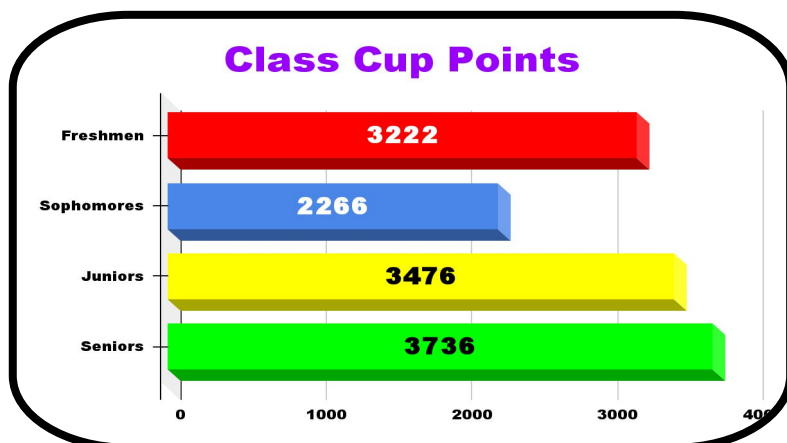
**SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR SALE**

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
<b>BUNDLE PACKS</b>	
2 MECHANICAL PENCILS	\$1.25
6 PACK OF LEAD	
FOLDER, PENCIL, PAPER	\$2.00

**OPEN TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS DURING ALL LUNCHES**

## PIRATE'S COVE CREATIONS

SUGAR SCRUB	\$4.00	DOG TREATS	\$2.00
AROMA BEADS	\$3.00	CUPS	\$5.00
CANDLES	\$4.00	MUGS	\$5.00
SOAP	\$2.00	KOOZIES	\$3.00
BATH FIZZIES	\$2.00	KEYCHAINS	\$3.00
ORNAMENTS	\$2.00	PINS	\$1.00



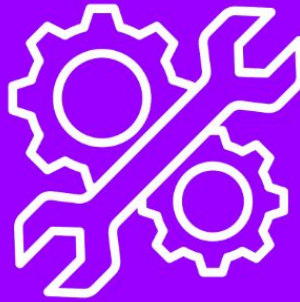
## Student Jobs

The Student Lighthouse team is hiring students to help out around Porter Ridge High School.

**pick up an application in guidance**

**opportunity for service hours!**

**2025**



There will be an Engineering Club meeting on Friday, May 2nd right after school in room E207D.



Please join us for our last Sewing and Upcycling meeting Tuesday May 6 after school in room F205B.

On the first Friday in May, we celebrate School Lunch Hero Day. This special day of celebration will be on May 2nd. On this day we will recognize our school nutrition professionals and the differences they make everyday.

Between preparing healthy meals for our Porter Ridge High students, adhering to strict nutritional standards, navigating student food allergies and offering service with a smile, school nutrition professionals are our HEROES!!

Please join us and celebrate the hardworking professionals in our cafeteria on this day.





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## *Pirate Gram Recognition from Teachers*

### PRHS Pirate Grams

Colby Brown- Thanks for participating! -Ms. McCollum

Caylen Rodriguez- Consistently put in hard work & helping her peers! -Ms. McCollum

Aysel Demurchiyev- I'm really proud of your hard work! -Ms. McCollum

Ty'jai Clifton- Great job on your NC Check In! -McCollum

Mya Mendez- Continue pushing yourself & your hard work will pay off in the end! -Ms. Goldberg

Ava Searcy- Your determination& persistence are qualities that will lead you to great success! -Ms. Goldberg

E'lisha Harris- Every effort you put in is an investment in your future. -Ms. Goldberg

Savannah Dellinger- Being so dedicated to school work! -Ms. Hill

Jaya McKeever- Working Hard! -Ms. Hill





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**The International Thespian Society  
hosted a talent show this week! What  
amazing talent we have at PRHS!**



**Spanish III  
always UNITED  
in learning!  
Collaboration,  
initiative,  
practice,  
leadership  
always a must in  
language  
proficiency.**



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**Pirates checking out possible college options at our Pirate lunchtime-college fair today!! What an exciting opportunity for our juniors!**



**Our yearbook staff works really really hard to sell our amazing yearbooks!!! Help them out and buy one today!**



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**Our Pirates showed off their leadership skills as they hosted a Very Special Pirate Field Day for students in our cluster. Elementary and middle school students joined us for a day of fun activities provided by our fine arts and athletic management students.**





## Who is your counselor?

**Ashley Lawson**- last names A-Cou  
[ashley.lawson@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:ashley.lawson@ucps.k12.nc.us)

**Tanisha Anderson**- last names Cov-Hek  
[tanisha.anderson@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:tanisha.anderson@ucps.k12.nc.us)

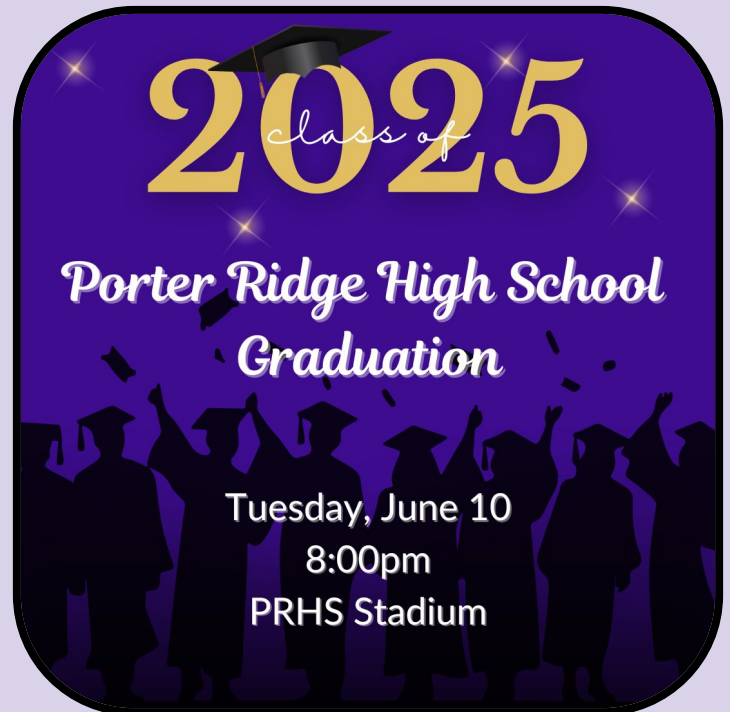
**Bryan James** – last names Hel-Mc  
[bryan.james@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:bryan.james@ucps.k12.nc.us)

**Cassidy Jarrett**– last names Me-Sao  
[cassidy.jarrett@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:cassidy.jarrett@ucps.k12.nc.us)

**Alexandra Green**– last names Sap-Z  
[alexandra.green@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto: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!**  
[Click here for more info...](#)





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## *PRHS COUNSELING NEWS*

# Attention Class of 2026!

Thank you to all those who came to our Junior night on April 14th. Below is the link to the presentation if you were not able to attend:

<https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1g2ILHIVnzxvnDTZo2ADhOxQz0EgoD2JFQit8KQGwU/edit?slide=id.p#slide=id.p>



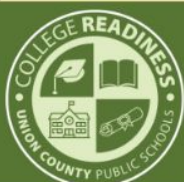
**MEET WITH  
YOUR SPCC  
CAREER COACH**

**MS. STURDIVANT**

**WEDNESDAYS IN GUIDANCE**

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

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.



### 2024 - 2025 College Readiness Series

@UCPSCollegePrep

ucpscollegeprep

## What Makes A Good College Essay?

May 13, 2025

6 PM

Webinar

To register visit: <https://tinyurl.com/20250513>

Planning to apply to a school or a scholarship that requires an essay? Juniors should start thinking about their essay topic now.

Join us as we discuss the process from start to finish.



## SPCC REGISTRATION IS OPEN

Summer Registration and Fall  
Pre-Registration has begun!

EMAIL OUR SPCC CAREER COACH  
NOW TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT

CSTURDIVANT@SPCC.EDU



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## *College Readiness* *Student Opportunities*

Excited to take a tour of CPCC  
Main Campus Uptown!!!!



### Infinite Campus Parent Information

Infinite campus will be the new gradebook and student information application replacing Power School next year. Click below for parent information.



English: <https://youtu.be/noYbSQxz6m0>

Spanish: <https://youtu.be/3UELvzz-Cgs>

Russian: <https://youtu.be/h0AtWziCKho>

Ukrainian: <https://youtu.be/qBibr6Dxpoo>



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## *College Readiness* *Student Opportunities*

### **COLLEGE BOARD RESOURCES**



**BigFuture®**



**SCAN FOR AP CLASSROOM  
RESOURCES AND MORE!**

<http://share.bigfuture.org/739mSz>

**Taking an AP class this year?  
Scan the QR code to gain access  
to various CollegeBoard  
resources now!**



**Scanning this link and following  
the steps on your AP Classroom  
Dashboard can qualify you to  
potentially win a \$500 or  
\$40,000 scholarship!**

## **Teaching as a Profession**

*Join Today  
See your Counselor*



**Teaching as a Profession is in search of  
more awesome students to join our  
program. See your counselor today!  
Why join?**

- \* Learn more about becoming a teacher**
- \* Opportunities for college credit**
- \* Ability to be a peer tutor**
- \* Teach UCPS Pathway- SPCC & Wingate**
- \* Weekly school observations**



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*Student Opportunities*



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FOR HEALTHY LIVING  
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# HELPING PEOPLE, CHANGING LIVES



## CAMP BOOMERANG VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

We're looking for teens & adults 15 years and older who are interested in a life-changing opportunity to serve as a buddy in our Camp Boomerang program; an inclusion camp for children with diverse abilities at the Y's Hemby Program Center.

Volunteer for just one week or the entire summer, it's up to you!

MONDAY - FRIDAY

(9:00AM - 3:45PM or 9:00AM - 1:30PM)

-June 16-20

-June 23-27

-June 30-July 3

-July 14-18

-July 21-25

-July 28-August 1

To apply, e-mail: [bracefamilycampboomerang@ymcacharlotte.org](mailto:bracefamilycampboomerang@ymcacharlotte.org)

Applications close on June 6, 2025



Hemby Program Center | 9760 Happy Valley Drive | Charlotte, NC 28270



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## *College Readiness* *Student Opportunities*



**Free high school sports physicals for student-athletes entering grades 9 through 12.**

*Students must be enrolled at an Atrium Health partner high school to participate.*

**Saturday, May 31, 2025 • 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.**

**Atrium Health Musculoskeletal Institute  
Orthopedics & Sports Medicine  
6050 W. Highway 74, Indian Trail, NC 28079**



Each student-athlete will receive the following free services from our team of expert providers:

- Review of medical history
- General wellness sports screening for North and South Carolina
- Electrocardiogram (ECG) - This is a heart screening for sudden cardiac death to detect health risks before they become issues
- Echocardiogram (ECHO) to be scheduled if needed
- Orthopedic screening (musculoskeletal exam)
- Vision exam
- Registered Dietitian
- Hands-Only CPR training

**Please register using the link or QR code between March 1 and May 10:**

**REGISTER HERE**



For registration questions, please email [hocday@atriumhealth.org](mailto:hocday@atriumhealth.org)

### **Atrium Health Musculoskeletal Institute**

**Please note:**

The exam is a screening for school sports—not a complete physical—and does not replace the need for an annual physical with your doctor.

Click here to [\*\*LEARN MORE\*\*](#)

or visit [\*\*atriumhealth.org/heart-of-a-champion\*\*](https://atriumhealth.org/heart-of-a-champion)



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## *College Readiness* *Student Opportunities*

**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. Cosmetology deadline is Monday, May 5th.

### **“Academy Pathway Applications 2025-2026” – Rising 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> 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 [UCPS Career Readiness](https://ucpscte.org/) (<https://ucpscte.org/>) page on the UCPS website or see your Career Development Coordinator, Mrs. Webb in guidance.

#### **Cosmetology Academy - Deadline – Monday, May 5th**

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

#### **Nurse Aide (CNA) & EMT Academy – Application Deadline has Passed**

\*Any student interested in Nurse Aide (CAN) or EMT Academy and fill out the application now, student 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 post-secondary 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 1<sup>st</sup>
- Fall 2025 Semester – May 1<sup>st</sup>
- Spring 2026 Semester – October 1<sup>st</sup>

### **“2025-2026 Pre-Apprenticeship”**

Pre-apprenticeship is a program or set of strategies designed to prepare individuals for entry into Register Apprenticeship Programs (RAP) or other job opportunities. Pre-apprenticeships may last from a few weeks to a few months and may or may not include wages or stipend. Pre-apprenticeship programs have varied program elements; however, at the core, places an individual on a pathway to employability through a RAP.

Students interested in a Pre-Apprenticeship in Health Care, HVAC, Manufacturing or Teaching as a Profession, please visit the UCPS CTE website ([ucpscte.org/pre-apprenticeships/](https://ucpscte.org/pre-apprenticeships/)) for more information and the application.

If you have any questions, please contact your Career Development Coordinator, Mrs. Webb at [sarah.webb@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:sarah.webb@ucps.k12.nc.us).

**CLICK HERE TO APPLY**

**CLICK HERE TO LEARN MORE**



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# *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 [amy\\_dieffenbach@yahoo.com](mailto:amy_dieffenbach@yahoo.com) or Alana White at [alanahwhite@gmail.com](mailto:alanahwhite@gmail.com) 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.**

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. [Click here](#) or on the link above.

Follow the PTO  
Instagram Page at  
[prhs\\_pto](https://www.instagram.com/prhs_pto)



The PTO Needs your help in sponsoring a breakfast for all of our students who did well on the WorkKeys testing by scoring a silver or above. [Please click here](#) to donate items for a breakfast in their honor

# PIRATE ATHLETICS



PORTER RIDGE HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETICS

## THIS WEEK

**MONDAY**

**5**

-MLAX VS SUN  
VALLEY  
6:00

**TUESDAY**

**6**

-M GOLF  
REGIONALS @  
STONEBRIDGE

-W SOCCER @  
CUTHBERTSON  
6:00

-SOFTBALL 1ST  
RD NCHSAA  
PLAYOFFS  
TBD

-BASEBALL 1ST  
RD NCHSAA  
PLAYOFFS  
TBD

**WEDNESDAY**

**7**

-LAX @ MARVIN  
RIDGE  
5:30/7:00

**THURSDAY**

**8**

-WLAX VS  
PARKWOOD  
5:00

-MLAX @ SUN  
VALLEY  
6:00

**FRIDAY**

**9**

-SOFTBALL 2ND  
RD NCHSAA  
PLAYOFFS  
TBD

-BASEBALL 2ND  
RD NCHSAA  
PLAYOFFS  
TBD

**SATURDAY**

**10**

-TRACK  
REGIONALS @  
CUTHBERTSON

# PIRATE ATHLETICS



PRHS Cheer is **EXCITED** to host Little Pirate Cheer Camp this summer!! Please click [here](#) to sign your Little Pirate up!! They will learn cheers, chants, dances, and participate in stunting. On the last day there will be a Cheer Showcase to show off all their new moves. Anyone ages 5 to 13 is eligible to attend. Please contact Coach Lawson with any questions.

## 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

## Athletic Results

### **Varsity Baseball:**

Undeclared at the South Atlantic Bank Invitational in Myrtle Beach

4/28: L. v. Sun Valley

### **Varsity Softball:**

4/28: L v. Sun Valley

### **Men's Lacrosse:**

4/28: L v. Cuthbertson

4/30: L v. Providence

### **Women's Lacrosse:**

4/28: L v. Cuthbertson

4/29: WIN v. Independence

### **Women's V Soccer:**

4/29: L v. Marvin Ridge

### **Men's Volleyball:**

4/29: L v. Covenant Day

### **Track and Field:**

[SCC Conference Championship @ HOME \(Click for full results\)](#)

# PIRATE ATHLETICS

Sign Up now for the annual Golf Tournament to support the Porter Ridge Athletic Booster Club!



## PORTER RIDGE ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB 2025 GOLF TOURNAMENT

# MONDAY, JUNE 16, 2025



### EAGLE CHASE GOLF CLUB

3215 BRANTLEY RD  
MARSHVILLE, NC 28103



CLICK ON THE AD FOR MORE INFO



# PIRATE ATHLETICS

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

[CLICK HERE TO PURCHASE  
TICKETS](#)

[CLICK HERE TO VISIT THE  
PORTER RIDGE ATHLETIC  
BOOSTERS WEBSITE](#)



PORTER RIDGE ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB

## WE WANT YOU!



- FUNDRAISING CHAIRPERSON
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## NEW PROTOCOLS FOR UCPS EVENTS

UCPS has experienced a number of safety incidents at athletic events around the county.

**For fall sports, UCPS will implement the following protocols.**

- Only clear bags, no larger than 4.5" x 6.5" will be allowed in events/games. Medical and baby bags are subject to search.
- Middle and elementary students must be accompanied by an adult (21 years or older) to attend events and games.
- All ticket sales will end at the beginning of halftime or at the mid-point of an event.
- After consulting with law enforcement and district leaders, UCPS will utilize body scanners at events. The use of body scanners will begin in the fall of 2024 at football games.





## Important Links

[School Forms- CLICK HERE](#)

[Visitor on Campus Information- CLICK HERE](#)

[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. [Click here for the online payment system.](#) 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 [meal application](#) (click here)

Click [here](#) to set up an account to **make payments** and monitor your child's lunch account.

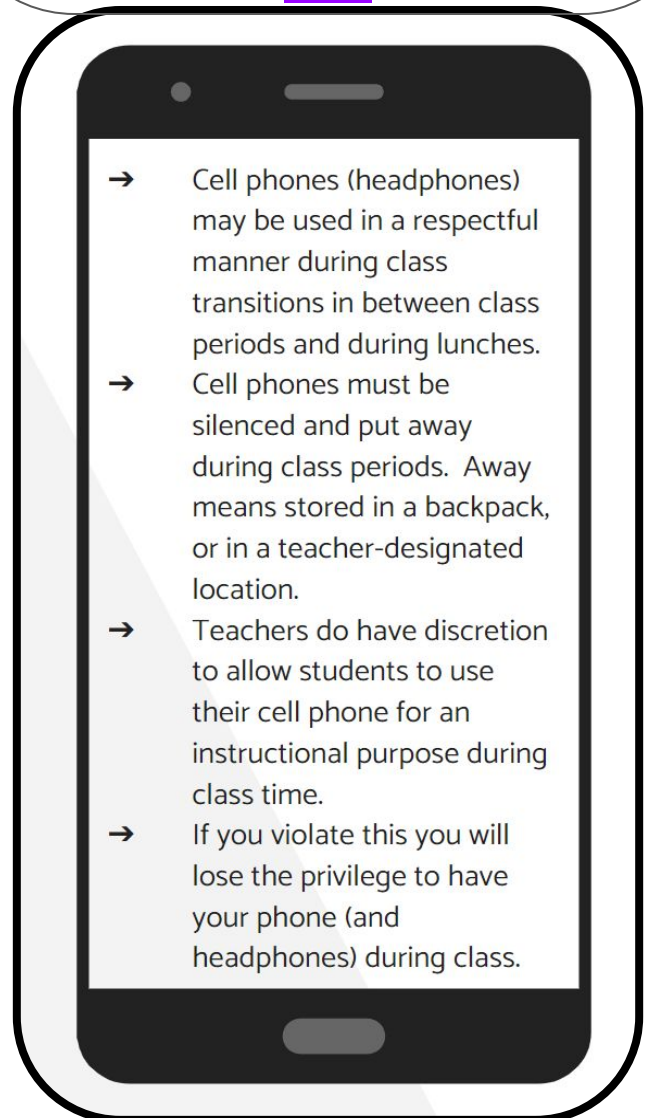
If you have questions or need a paper copy of the application, please contact School Nutrition at 704-296-3000

**Transportation information** can be found on the [UCPS Transportation 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: [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.

[Transportation Information- CLICK HERE](#)





# New Attendance Procedures

## STEP BY STEP GUIDE TO UCPS ABSENCE REPORT FORM

ATTENTION  
PLEASE!

1



### Create your account

Parent or guardian must create an account. The system will not accept submissions from student email accounts. PRHS will review accounts created to ensure that the email address used matches the parent email address in powerschool. For safety reasons if the email address does not match the known parent email, the account will be deleted. For reference, the school newsletter, the Pirate Press, is sent to the parent email address on file. You can also call the school to check on your email

2



### Report Absences

Parent or guardian will submit all absences digitally via this Microsoft form.

3



### Please Note:

- Must submit one day absence at a time.
- You cannot submit an absence before it occurs
- You must upload documentation necessary to excuse absences.
- Porter Ridge High School may only accept a maximum of 5 absences per semester excused with a parent note. After 5 days, only a doctor's note will be accepted.

4



### Report absence:

Once your account has been created, use this link to log in and begin reporting absences.

5



### Are there any questions?

For questions regarding attendance, please call the school.



@ 704-292-7662

## GUIA PASO A PASO PARA INFORMAR LA AUSENCIA DEL ESTUDIANTE

ANUNCIO  
IMPORTANTE

1



### Crea tu cuenta

La cuenta debe ser creada solo por el padre o la persona a cargo del estudiante. La escuela de PRHS va a revisar y verificar de que la cuenta corresponda al mismo correo electrónico que se tiene en el sistema de la escuela, por razones de seguridad.

2



### Reporta la razón por la cual no se asistió a la escuela.

Los padres o la persona a cargo del estudiante debe de documentar la razón por la cual el estudiante no estuvo en la escuela. Esta documentación se hace de manera digital por vía de Microsoft. En el mismo lugar donde usted creo su cuenta.

3



### Para tener en cuenta:

- Solo puede reportar un solo día de ausencia.
- No puede reportar ausencias por adelantado.
- Debe de adjuntar la documentación para la excusa.
- La escuela de Porter Ridge High School sólo acepta un máximo de 5 excusas escritas por los padres. Después de 5 excusas, sólo se aceptarán notas provenientes del doctor.

4



### Reporte la razón por la que se faltó:

Después de que creó su cuenta, usé este link que le da este QR code para reportar la ausencia.

5



### Si todavía tiene preguntas?

Por favor comuníquese con la escuela al número de teléfono que esta aquí abajo.

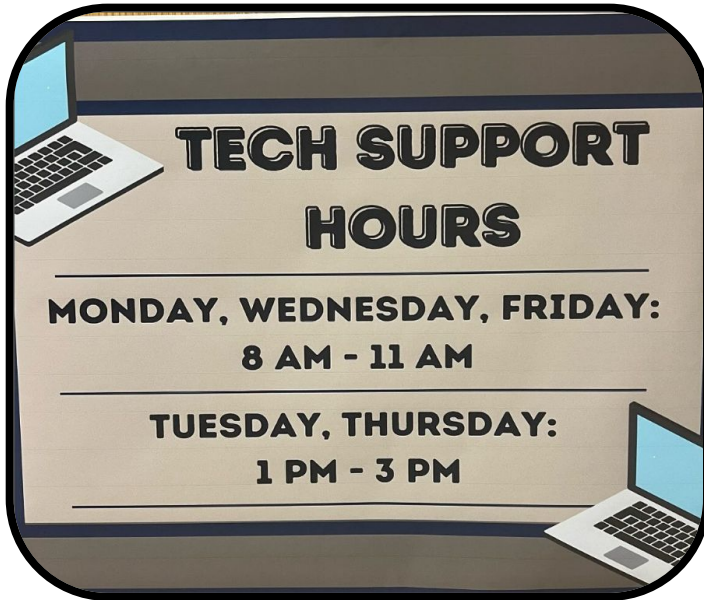


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# *Attendance, Chromebooks & Info*



## **Chromebook Help**

**Students who get the following message when using home wifi...**

1. Provide your student UCPS Login Credentials. Use your student ID # @ucps.k12.nc.us. **DO NOT** add the @student.  
a. Click "Sign in"

*Please Click HERE to obtain, sign, and review school forms.*

*Click HERE 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.



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