

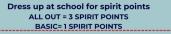
# Pirate Press

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SENIOR PICTURE MAKE-UP DAY SEPT. 12 & 13

COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOO

Check for emails from Upstate Images to sign up or visit Mrs. Schullery in G203

The UCPS Parent's Guide to Student Achievement (PGSA) is available for parents. Find detailed information on the UCPS Parent's Bill of Rights page

under the section heading of Quick Links for the Parent's Guide to Student Achievement (PGSA). 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.



# Student Announcements Student Life Activities

- Interest meeting for Indoor Track will be held Tuesday, September 10th in the media center after school. Please see Coach Forrest for more information.
  - Parking Passes: Parking Passes are on sale at this time. Go to our website under Quick Links and look for Student Parking passes. Passes will be given out at lunch. You must have your parking pass or you will receive a ticket with a fine.
- Please join us for our first Sewing and Upcycling Club meeting September 12 after school in room F205B. You will not want to miss out on the fun we have planned!
- Please join us for our first FCCLA meeting on September 17 after school until 4 p.m. in Room F205B.
- Women's Basketball workouts will begin Monday September 9th right after school. Please make sure you have an updated FamilyId to participate. If you have any questions please see Coach Brown

Want a space with a relaxed atmosphere, fun activities and service projects, and opportunities to learn more about yourself and others? Then join MHA-SAVES, the Mental Health Awareness club! We meet on the first and third Wednesday of each month!Come learn more about this club at our first meeting on Wednesday, September 25th, from 3:15-4:15 in G114. We will be making mini clay keychains and magnets! Everyone is welcome!

- Attention Film Fans! The first meeting of the **PRHS Film Club** is Wednesday, September 11th after school in G112. We are going to talk about the classic film Back to the Future. All are welcome! Please see Mr. Boyles with any questions.
  - PR's Math Honor Society (Mu Alpha Theta) will have its first meeting of the year on Tuesday, September 10 @ 7:45 AM in E-210 (Mr. Howard's room). All returning members and any student that wishes to join should attend.
  - Hey Pirates! Powderpuff is back this year Wednesday, October 2nd. Sign-ups start next Monday the 9th and run through Friday the 13th. Make sure to see us at the sign-up table during lunches.
- Robotics Club interest meeting will be held Wednesday, September 11 after school in G104 until 4. Anyone interested is welcome. We will be discussing competition dates, picking teams, and general club business. The meeting will end at 4. Any questions please see Ms. Batchelor.



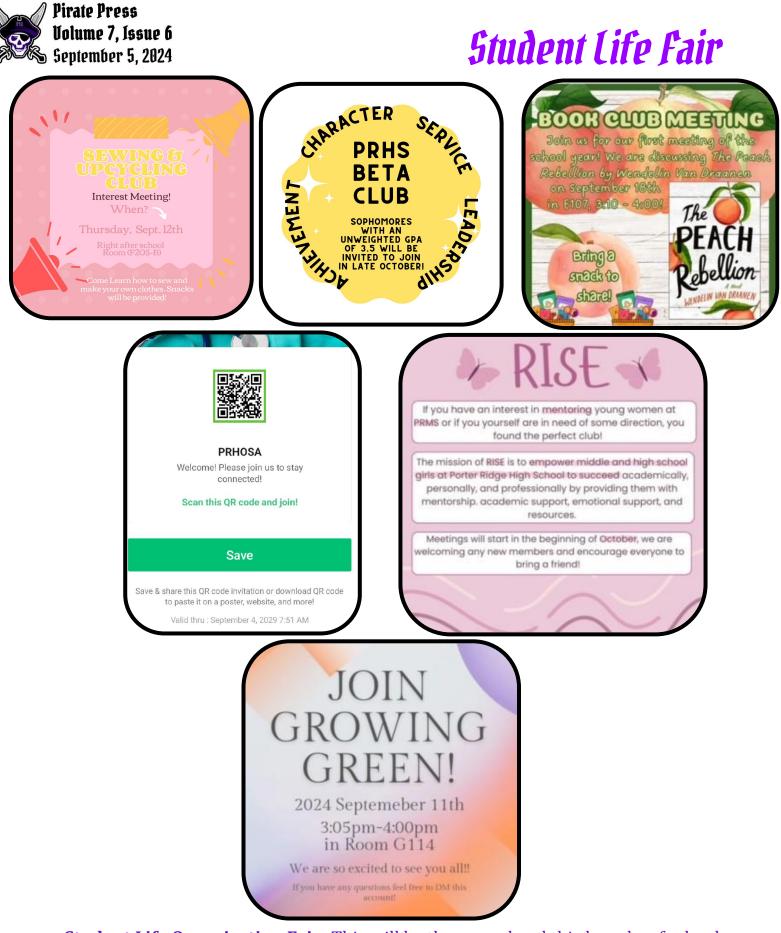
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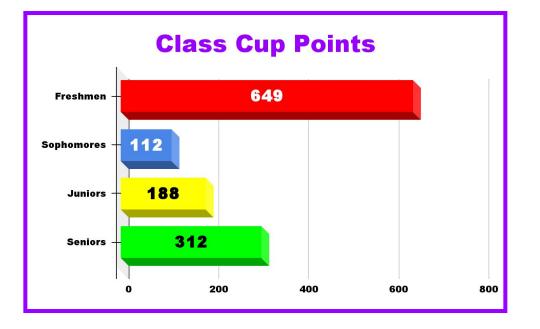
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# **Student Activities & Programs**





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!** 



### Who is your counselor?

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

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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.

# 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...







# College Readiness

2024-2025 College Readiness Series		
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.



#### **College Entrance Exams 101**

September 17, 2024 6:00 PM

Webinar

To register, visit https://bit.ly/collegereadysessions

Have you ever wondered what the major differences are between the ACT and the SAT? Are these tests even relevant anymore? What is considered a "good" score? These questions and more will be answered in this webinar! Presented in partnership with Huntington Learning Center, Weddington.

Huntington



# 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

Student Leaders Promoting Student Life Organizations















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 INFORMATION TO LINK VIC CARD





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.

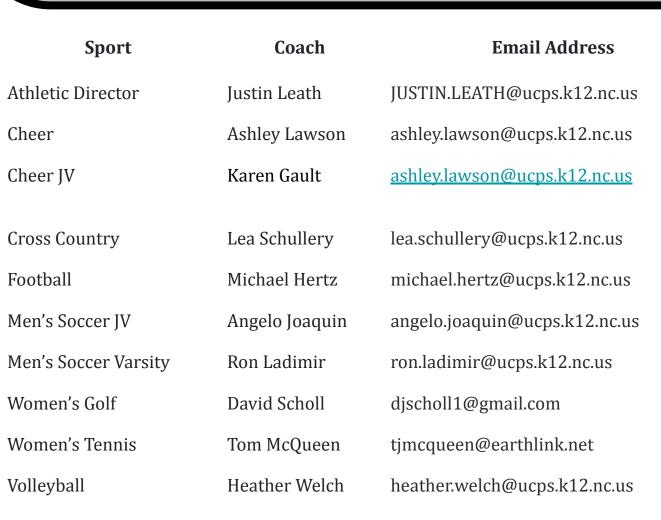
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-JV Football @ W







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

24-25 PIRATE PASS

 ENTRY TO ALL PRHS REGULAR SEASON HOME GAMES FOR ALL SPORTS.
So YD LINE PRIORITY SEATING
PRABC MEMBERSHIP
Exclusive T-SHIRT





#### Hail Mary Short Sleeve Purple Shirt











A big congratulations to the girls to the **Women's Field Hockey Team** who won their game on Wednesday, the 4th, against Covenant Day High School. 2-0!! Their next game will be Thursday, September 5th, from 5:45-7:00 against East Meck at Matthews Sportsplex, field #3. Check out the PRHS Field Hockey Instagram for more info and updates! -Volleyball loss vs Marvin Ridge -Boys Soccer Wins 7-1 vs Parkwood and 3-1 vs Piedmont -Girls Tennis wins vs Forest Hills







#### **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> 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 <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

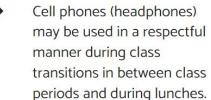
# Family Information

#### **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.

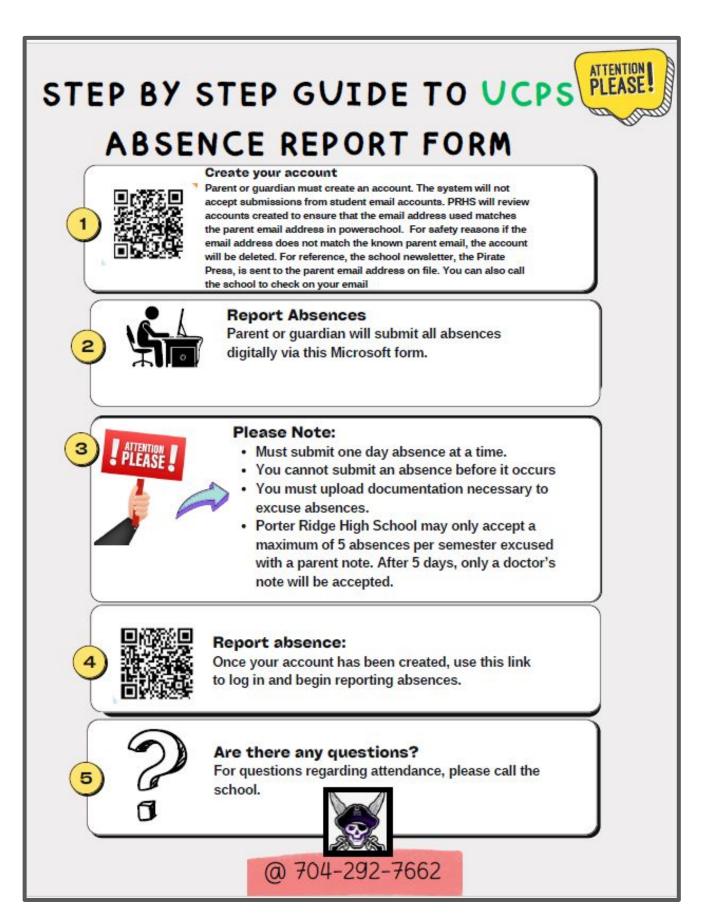
#### Transportation Information- CLICK <u>HERE</u>



- 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* 





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



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.

#### 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 via de Microsoft. En el mismo lugar donde usted creo su cuenta.

#### Para tener en cuenta:

- Solo puede reportar <u>un solo día</u> 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.

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

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

#### Si todavía tiene preguntas?

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



@ 704-292-7662



# Parking and Attendance

### **CLICK HERE FOR PARKING PASS INFORMATION**



Please <u>Click HERE</u> for all PRHS back to school information in English and Spanish.

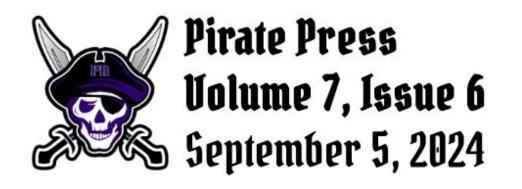
Please <u>Click HERE</u> to obtain, sign, and review beginning of school year forms.

<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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