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PRHS Stadium

Class of 2024 Graduation
Tuesday June 11th 8:00 pm

PIRATE OUT
SOCCER
TAILGATE

At the game:
2 points for
attending!

Dress at school:
1 point basic
3 points all out

Taco food truck!



VS



SEPTEMBER 22ND,
5:30-6:30 PM

Come out to the Porter Ridge Soccer
tailgate! The first **80** PRHS students
wearing **Pirate Spirit** get a **free** vuvuzela
and free entry!


SEEKING PARENTS FOR
PTO LEADERSHIP

SUPPORT SCHOOL INITIATIVES
SUPPORT TEACHERS AND STUDENTS
BUILD A PARENT /TEACHER SUPPORT NETWORK FOR OUR SCHOOL

CONTACT DR. WALL AT
JOSH.WALL@UCPS.K12.NC.US



TARDY- BE ON
Time-
Consequences
start next Week!
Students must be
in their class
before the bell
rings at the start
of school and
during school!



PIRATE OUT

Wear PR-themed gear & colors to get
spirit points at school



Friday, September 22nd
(Come out to the soccer tailgate)
5:30-6:30

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!**





Pirates **IN ACTION**



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Homecoming
2023

On Cloud Nine for... Week of 10/9 - 10/12

Homecoming Week 2023

Monday 10/9	Tuesday 10/10	Wednesday 10/11	Thursday 10/12	Friday 10/13
Class Wars Monday 9th- Yellow 10th- Green 11th- Pink 12th- Blue Class Wars during 4th Block Powderpuff @ 5:45	Tue the Rescue Tuesday Volleyball Tailgate @ 4:00	Generations Wednesday Improv night @ 6:00	Through the Screen Thursday 	Pirate Pride Day Homecoming Tailgate @ 5:30 Homecoming Game @ 7

Saturday, 10/14:
Homecoming Dance 8-11

2023 Homecoming Events		
Event	Date	Add. Info
Class Wars 	During 4th block Monday, Oct. 9th	Wristbands will be delivered during third block to teachers to hand out in fourth block
Powderpuff 	Monday, Oct. 9th 5:45pm-8:30pm	Shirts will be delivered to players during third block the week before
Football Tailgate 	Friday, Oct. 13 5:30pm-6:15pm	@ Sand Volleyball Courts Free snacks and drinks!
Homecoming Court 	During football game halftime Friday, Oct. 13	Court rehearsals will be Oct. 3 during third block
Homecoming Dance 	Saturday, Oct. 14th 8pm-11pm	Ticket sales from Sept. 26 - Oct. 6 Tickets will be \$25
Fall Fest 	Tuesday, Oct. 24th 5pm-7pm	Costumes are encouraged!



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Student Announcements

- ❖ **Student Council is hosting a tailgate prior to the Men's Soccer game** against Piedmont on September 22nd from 5:30-6:30 for senior night! The first 80 PRHS students wearing Pirate Spirit at the tailgate will receive a vuvuzela granting them free admission to the game. There will be a Taco food truck at the tailgate with items available for purchase! We will also have free snacks and drinks!
- ❖ **College Visits are back!** Three universities will be visiting our campus over the next two weeks. If you are interested in learning more about East Carolina University, please log into your student Scoir account to sign up for an event now!
- ❖ Buy your **yearbooks** at yearbookforever.com ... yearbook ads for seniors also available at this website!!!
- ❖ Come **audition for SpongeBob: The Musical** October 2nd from 3:15-6 in the auditorium. Auditioners should prepare a one minute monologue and one minute of a song. No experience needed. Need help with your song or monologue? Come to the audition workshop on September 20th from 3:15-5
- ❖ **Attention RETURNING NHS Members**, our first meeting will be Tuesday, September 26 at 7:35 AM in the auditorium. Check the PRHS NHS website, the PRHS Instagram page, or see Mr. Chavis or Mr. Howard with any questions.
- ❖ **The next FCCLA meeting** will be after school on 9/26 until 4 pm / Room F205B.
- ❖ **The Field Day Club interest meeting** will be on September 27th, after school in room G204.
- ❖ **The next Sewing and Upcycling Club Meeting** will be on 9/28 in Room F205B until 4:15 p.m.
- ❖ **Come check out the new club - RISE!** RISE is a women's mentorship club and empowerment support group. Kind of like a sisters club. It's all about connection and learning to love and step into who you are. And a great way to meet other women! RISE is looking for upper class women to apply as mentors. Our next meeting is October 5th. So come check it out in D-100!
- ❖ **Juniors and Seniors, if you are currently enrolled in a Fall SPCC course**, please remember to stop by the front office to pick up a textbook reimbursement form! You must include a receipt of your textbook in order to receive your reimbursement. Slips are due to Ms. Green before October 23rd.



VAPES/TOBACCO AND TOBACCO-LESS PRODUCTS - Vapes are an issue with teenagers everywhere today. Please help us keep our school a healthy environment for ALL students by having a direct conversation with your child that vapes are prohibited on school campus and if a student is found to have a vape we have strict consequences. We suggest that you have this conversation frequently and ask your child to clean out their book bag to make sure this will not be an issue.

PIRATE ATHLETICS



PORTER RIDGE ATHLETICS

S e p t 2 5 - S e p t 3 0

25
MONDAY

No Events

26
TUESDAY

-Volleyball
@ Sun Valley
5:00/6:00
-Tennis
@ Sun Valley
4:00

27
WEDNESDAY

-Mens Soccer
vs Weddington
5:30/7:00
-Tennis
vs Parkwood
4:00

28
THURSDAY

-Volleyball
@ Marvin Ridge
5:00/6:00
-JV Football
vs Marvin Ridge
6:30

29
FRIDAY

-Vars Football
@ Marvin Ridge
7:00
-Tennis
@ Parkwood
4:00

30
SATURDAY

-Cross Country
"Hough Invitational"
@ Fisher Farm Park
TBD

RESULTS FROM THIS PAST WEEK

	<u>JV</u>	<u>VARSITY</u>
FOOTBALL VS MONROE	LOSS	LOSS
VOLLEYBALL VS WEDDINGTON	LOSS	LOSS
TENNIS VS WEDDINGTON		LOSS
SOCCER AT PARKWOOD		WIN
VOLLEYBALL VS CUTHBERTSON	LOSS	LOSS
TENNIS VS CUTHBERTSON		LOSS
VOLLEYBALL VS INDEPENDENCE	LOSS	LOSS
SOCCER VS MARVIN RIDGE	LOSS	WIN

PIRATE ATHLETICS

[CLICK HERE FOR HOME EVENT TICKETS](#)

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



**PORTER RIDGE ATHLETIC
BOOSTER CLUB**

23-24 PIRATE PASS



- ✓ ENTRY TO ALL PRHS
REGULAR SEASON HOME
GAMES FOR ALL SPORTS
- ✓ 50 YD LINE
PRIORITY SEATING
- ✓ ENTRY TO PRHS HOME
FOOTBALL GAMES
- ✓ BOOSTER CLUB
MEMBERSHIP

\$150

<https://ucps.hometownticketing.com/embed/event/4358>

CLICK [HERE](#) FOR
ATHLETIC SCHEDULES

FOOTBALL

JV FOOTBALL

SOCCER

JV SOCCER

VOLLEYBALL

JV VOLLEYBALL

CROSS COUNTRY

GIRL'S GOLF

GIRL'S TENNIS

FIELD HOCKEY



**PORTER RIDGE
ATHLETIC ZONE**



**NO
OUTSIDE FOOD & DRINKS
OR LARGE BAGS**

MAY BE BROUGHT INSIDE STADIUM
OR OTHER ATHLETIC VENUES



For questions or concerns,
please speak to an administrator.

UCPS
UNION COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

PIRATE ATHLETICS

THEMES 2023



AUG 18 PURPLE OUT
AUG 25 WHITE OUT
SEP 1 USA OUT
SEP 8 COUNTRY OUT
SEP 15 TROPICAL OUT
SEP 29 COUNTRY CLUB OUT
OCT 6 PINK OUT
OCT 13 BLACK OUT
OCT 20 JERSEY OUT
OCT 27 CONSTRUCTION OUT

Field Hockey Schedule

10/3 vs MRHS, Matthews
Sportsplex Field 1, 4:30 PM

10/12 vs CCDS, At CCDS 4:30 PM

10/14 Tournament, 8 am to 12 am,
Matthews Sportsplex field 5-9

BASKETBALL CHEER INTEREST MEETING

Wed. 9/27
After school
Counseling lobby



**SHOW YOUR PIRATE SPIRIT ON FRIDAYS
AT SCHOOL AND AT THE FOOTBALL
GAMES ON FRIDAY NIGHT.**



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PRHS COUNSELING NEWS

Who is your counselor?

Ashley Lawson- last names A-Cou
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Bryan James – last names Hel-Mc
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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.

DON'T FORGET!

**IF YOU ARE TAKING
SPRING SPCC
CLASSES:**



**TEXTBOOK RE-
IMBURSEMENT
FORMS ARE
DUE BY
OCTOBER 23RD!**

**FORMS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE FRONT OFFICE
AND MUST BE TURNED INTO MS. GREEN**

Attention Seniors!

**Counselors have
emailed out links to
sign up for a senior
meeting. Please
check your student
email and sign up
for a slot to meet
with your counselor
to discuss your
plans after high
school.**



CAMPUS VISIT DAY

Thursday, September 28 | 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.
Program begins at 5:30 p.m.

**Scan QR Code
TO REGISTER NOW!**

VISIT

CAREERS START AT CABARRUS COLLEGE

Join us to learn about our 16 degrees in 10 health science disciplines.

- Drop-in format with sessions beginning every 30 minutes
- Tour our state-of-the-art facility
- Meet our faculty
- Connect with current students in your program of interest
- Learn how our generous scholarships, loans and financial aid keep your costs low

Register now. We can't wait to meet you!



CabarrusCollege.edu
Admissions@CabarrusCollege.edu
704-403-1555

**CABARRUS
COLLEGE**
of
HEALTH SCIENCES

We are Healthcare Education.



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PRHS COUNSELING news

UNCG Teacher Education Fellows



PROGRAM BENEFITS:

- ✓ \$20,000 SCHOLARSHIP
- ✓ SEMESTER ABROAD
- ✓ A NETWORK OF EDUCATION PROFESSIONALS
- ✓ ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES

**Review of
applications
begins
Jan. 1st**



Scan for
Information



APPLY NOW!



DIRECTOR:

DR. DEBBIE HOLZBERG

SOEINFO@UNCG.EDU

[HTTPS://SOE.UNCG.EDU/TEACHER-EDUCATION-FELLOWS/](https://soe.uncg.edu/teacher-education-fellows/)

The College Outreach Ministry of New Life Fellowship
Center Presents

THE INAUGURAL HBCU COLLEGE FAIR



Register Below!

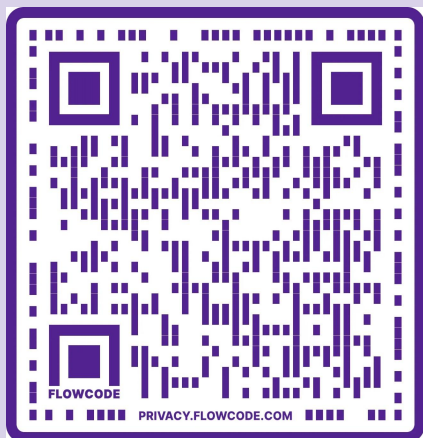


7 OCTOBER 2023
1PM-4PM

New Life Fellowship Center
1337 Samuel St.
Charlotte, NC, 28206

For more information, contact: collegefellowship@newlifecityofpraise.org

**SCAN THE QR CODE TO SIGN
UP TO MEET WITH OUR COLLEGE
ADVISOR, Ms. WILSON.**



LOOKING FOR A COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP
FOR UNDOCUMENTED STUDENTS?

DACA - TPS - UNDOCUMENTED

APPLY NOW

DEADLINE OCT 1, 11:59PM EST

TUITION AND ROOM & BOARD FOR UP TO 4 YEARS. PLUS
MENTORSHIP, CAREER SUPPORT, FELLOWSHIPS, AND MORE.



**GOLDEN DOOR
SCHOLARS**

goldendoorscholars.org/apply





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PRHS COUNSELING *news*

GET READY FOR THE UNION COUNTY COLLEGE FAIR

Sunday, October 15th from 2 PM-4 PM
CATA, 600 Brewer Dr., Monroe, NC 28112



Strive Scan helps you share your information with colleges with just a barcode.

Visit <https://strivefair.com> to register!

REGISTER FOR YOUR BARCODE

1. ON YOUR PHONE, GO TO:

WWW.STRIVEFAIR.COM

or



SNAPCHAT
Press and hold down



CAMERA
Scan with your camera app

**2. FILL OUT A SHORT REGISTRATION FORM
TO GET YOUR BARCODE**

**3. SCAN YOUR BARCODE WITH COLLEGES
TO RECEIVE MORE INFORMATION**

**Why should I get a StriveScan
account?**

- Allows you to share information with colleges at the fair without filling out cards
- Takes 90 seconds to sign up
- Use your phone to share your information with colleges!
- Get information from all the colleges you want directly to your inbox after the event

Registration with and use of StriveScan is optional.



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PRHS COUNSELING NEWS

We have a lot of great colleges and universities coming to visit PRHS over the next few months! Sign up in your Scoir account to attend the visit and meet with a representative!

East Carolina University Visit



Sept. 28th 12-1pm

in the Cafeteria



Sign up for the event through your student Scoir account now!



PRHS COUNSELING & CAREER NEWS



Hello,
**FLEXIBLE
SCHEDULE.**

Hello,
**FREE
MEALS.**



Hello,
**GREAT
TEAM.**



Windsor Run Walk-In Wednesdays

Every Wednesday from September 6th-October 25th | 2pm-4pm | Terrace Level

We are currently hiring **Servers**. You'll enjoy great perks, including:

- Flexible hours—leave by 8:00 p.m.
 - Great first job with no experience necessary
- Must be at least 16 years old
- Only 3 shifts a week required

You can apply using the QR code below. We're hiring awesome people just like you!



Visit **EricksonJobs.com** for current openings.

Want to take SPCC classes in high school?
Want to get a jumpstart on your career?
Confused about next steps after graduation?

Let's Talk!

Scan below to schedule a meeting:



Shannon Minick
SPCC Career Coach
sminick@spcc.edu



Need Career advice or direction?

Talk to your Counselor or Career Development Coordinator today to see all of the pathways and academies PR has to offer!

[Click here for more info...](#)



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College Readiness



2023-2024 UCPS College Readiness Series

For more info and to register visit
<https://bit.ly/collegereadysessions>

Live Events

Scoir for Seniors - Aug.
Practice SAT - Sept./Oct.
ACT/SAT Blitz - Sept.
College Entrance Exams 101 - Oct.
Union County College Fair - Oct.
HS Programs Expo - Dec.
Paying for College - Dec.
Practice ACT - Jan./Feb.
ACT Blitz - Feb.
Getting Ready for College - Mar.
SAT Blitz - Apr.
Writing a College Essay - May

On-Demand Library

Always available at the link above.

Scoir for Underclassmen
College Recruiting for Athletes
Choosing the Right Path in HS



@UCPSCollegePrep



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2023-2024 College Readiness Series

@UCPSCollegePrep @ucpscollegeready

College Entrance Exams 101

October 3, 2023

6:00 PM

Webinar

To register visit: <https://bit.ly/collegereadysessions>

Parents and students are invited to learn the differences between the ACT and SAT and some strategies for success!
Presented in partnership with Huntington Learning Center Weddington.



2023-2024 College Readiness Series

@UCPSCollegePrep @ucpscollegeready

ACT/SAT Blitz

September 30, 2023

10:00 AM-12:00 PM

Cuthbertson HS

To register visit: <https://bit.ly/collegereadysessions>

Students are welcome to join us to learn tips and strategies for success on the ACT and SAT.
This session is offered in partnership with Huntington Learning Center Weddington.



Free SAT Practice Tests and Prep

Open to all UCPS high school students

Pretest and Posttest in person
Online content in between

PRETEST:
September 23, 8 AM- 12 PM
POSTTEST:
October 21, 8 AM - 12 PM

In person tests held at:
Sun Valley High School
5211 Old Charlotte Highway
Monroe, NC 28110

The registration form is set for only UCPS students to be able to complete it! Parents must ask their student to register themselves.

Register by September 20:
<https://bit.ly/23SATpracticerequest>



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Technology & Help Desk

TECHNOLOGY USE

CHROMEBOOKS are issued to all students so that teachers can plan instruction that may include incorporation of materials online. Please know that this is only a part of the instructional plans. Students are responsible for their chromebooks and should treat them with care.

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.



HELPDESK HOURS

Monday – Wednesday – Friday

Start: 7:45am

End: 11:30am

Tuesday – Thursday

Start: 12:45pm

End: 3:00pm



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 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.

[Click here for the PRHS Student Handbook](#)

for the Tardy Policy,
Dress Code, &
Attendance
Requirements

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](#) for more information on meal prices.

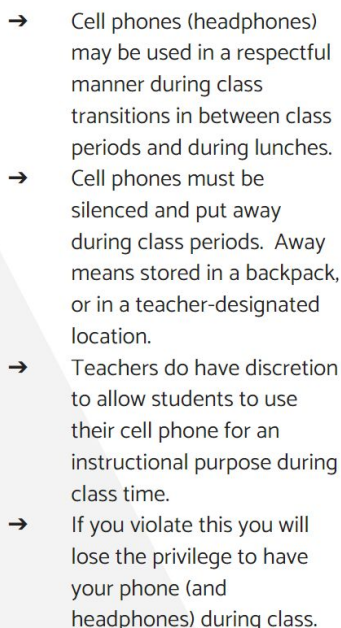
Click [here](#) to set up an account to **make payments** and monitor your child's lunch account.

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

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 should 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 can fail the course due to attendance.

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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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Ports of Information for Pirates:

Follow us on Facebook: PorterRidgeHS.NC

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Follow us on Instagram: #Committed #InItTogether #WeRPR @prhsffa @porterridgefootball @porterridgecheer @prhs_athletics_ @prbandofpirates @prhs_volleyball @prhscounseling @pr_athletic_booster_club @prhs.running @prhsbaseball @prhs.beta.club @prhscs @prhsweightlifting @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 @prhs.bookclub @prhsmualphatheta @aghoulihan @prhs.jcl.club @porterridgeswimming @prhsbasketballcheer @prhs_gsa_ @prhssandvolleyball @prhswtennis @prhs.dnd.club @pr_nehs @PRHS_Vocal_Treasures @prhsspeechanddebate @prhs_mha_saves @prhsmodelunitednations @prhsfilmclub @prphilosophyclub @prhspirates4christ @prhs_humanities @prhs_growinggreen @porter_ridge_hs_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

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