

Volume 1

Date: October 25, 2018

Pirate PRESS

Good Evening Pirates!

Powder Puff is about to start here at Porter Ridge and we are excited to see the ladies compete in the stadium! Later tonight, at 7:30 our Theatre Castaways will present the two shows that they will take to the North Carolina Theatre Conference festival next month - Anti-social and Funhouse! We hope that we will see our Pirate Fans at Home tomorrow as our Varsity Football Team takes on Myers Park. It is also our Senior Night for many Fall Sports as well as our Band of Pirates! Come out to support all of our student athletes and musicians!! A huge shout out to our men's soccer team for their first place conference finish!!

Did you know that our counselors are available to assist Seniors with questions about applying for college, financial aid, and career before and after school? They are available for College App Counselor Drop-ins before school from 7:30 - 8:00 and after school 3:00 - 3:45 Monday through Thursday!

This Saturday, **October 27th, the Band of Pirates** will be hosting their Band competition, the Pirate Cove Classic right here at Porter Ridge HS. Please consider showing your support to our very own band and attending this fun Pirate themed event. Our **Athletic Booster Club** will be hosting an inaugural Golf Tournament on 11/10 and our inaugural 5k on 11/17 - the Sock Trot. Construction will be starting on our additional main hall and cafeteria expansion thanks to the Union County Bond money.

This week in Advisory Ninth grade students discussed the difference between a job and a career and learned about many different types of career interests. They will take a career survey soon in their Advisory class. Tenth Grade students tested out the SuperMatch College Search and completed the Game Plan Survey to help determine what qualities are important to them when choosing a college so that they can better make plans for high school and beyond. Eleventh Grade students received a copy of their transcript to review, worked on ACT Prep, and tried out the SuperMatch College Search. Our Seniors learned how to search for scholarships in their Naviance account.

Finally a huge congratulations to our PRHS Teacher of the Year, Ms. Gabriela Grello. Ms. Grello is a Spanish Teacher here at PRHS and has been here since the school opened. She has effectively taught Spanish to hundreds of PR Pirates and is our department chairperson for World Language. Ms. Grello is a member of the Site-based and Leadership Teams and is a model teacher. We hope that you will join us in recognizing Ms. Grello!

Please take time to read over this newsletter. These newsletters allow our whole community to know about the great things our children and teachers are doing here at Porter Ridge High School. The Pirate Press, in addition to our website, facebook, and twitter, is the main form of communication from school to home. Go Pirates!!! Dr. Fisenne







Band Fruit Sale







Men's Basketball

Help Wanted!!

The Porter Ridge Men's Basketball program is looking for highly motivated Pirate students who desire to build their college/professional resumes by joining our team.

The positions that are available are as follows:

*Director of Operations | 1 for JV, 1 for Varsity In charge of practice and game preparation which includes but is not limited to equipment management, hydration, practice clock management, assistance with travel, and player management.

*Data Analytics Manger | 1 for JV, 1 for Varsity Oversees scorebook and relevant statistical data collection.

*Video Production Specialist| Varsity only Game day Videographer who will also assist the Director of Operations during practice.

Porter Rídge FFA Poinsettia Sale



Pink



Red



White

Marble

DETAILS

 Pot Size
 Color
 Price

 4.5"
 (Red, Pink, White, Marble)
 \$6.00

 6.5"
 (Red, Pink, White, Marble)
 \$14.00

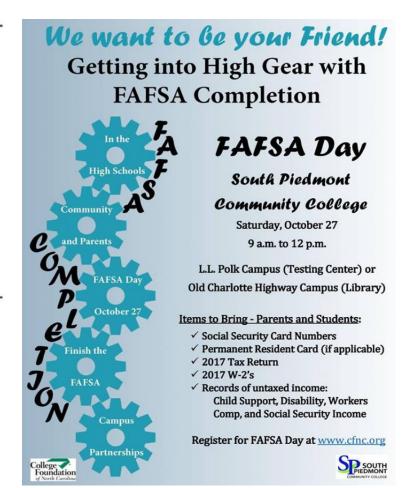
 8"
 (Red, White, Marble)
 \$25.00

All orders and money are due by Thursday, November 1st.

<u>Pick-Up Date</u>: Saturday, December 1st from 8 am – 12 pm.

<u>Pick-Up Location</u>: Porter Ridge High School Greenhouse.

Please send any questions to cassidy.starnes@ucps.k12.nc.us





To try out for a Winter Sport, you must get a TRYOUT TICKET from the Athletic Director BEFORE THE TRYOUT DATE AND TIME.

PRHS 2018 Winter Athletics Tryout Info

To receive a **TRYOUT TICKET**, the following must be completed:

- Online FamilyID Registration completed by athlete's parent or guardian using the following link: https://www.ucpsathletics.com/eligibility
- Submit the 2018-2019 UCPS Eligibility Packet to the Athletic Director.
 Note: If you had a Novant physical on June 2, 2018 or your physical is valid (within the last 395 days) and on file with us, there is no need to submit a new one. Check with your coach to see if it is valid.
- FamilyID registration must be approved by the athletic director.

PLEASE RETAIN A COPY OF YOUR ATHLETE'S PHYSICAL FOR YOUR RECORDS

TRYOUT TICKET Dates:

Tryout tickets will be given out on the following dates during all lunches.

Wednesday October 24

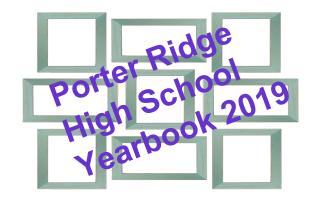
Thursday October 25

Monday October 29

Wednesday October 31

Yearbooks are currently on sale -- \$75. The last day to take advantage of this price is **December 21st**. After this date, prices will increase. You can order yearbooks online (www.jostens.com) by clicking below or get an order form from Ms. Watson in G205.

Senior Yearbook Ads are on sale now to be featured in the yearbook. Be sure to make your mark in this years book! Order forms are available in the front office, in Ms. Watson's room (G205), and online @ (www.Jostens.com). The deadline for the lowest prices is 10/31.





Winter Tryout Dates & Times

Men's Basketball: Head Coach Garrett Malone			
9th & 10th	5:00 - 6:30	Main Gym	
11th & 12th	6:30 - 8:30	Main Gym	
9th & 10th	3:00 - 4:30	Main Gym	
11th & 12th	4:30 - 6:00	Main Gym	
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9th - 12th	3:00 - 5:00	Main Gym	
9th - 12th	6:00 - 8:00	Main Gym	
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9th - 12th	3:00 - 5:30	Aux Gym	
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Men's & Women's Swimming: Head Coach Colleen Gregory (cannot show up at the aquatic center must see the Athletic Director for more information)

Monday October 29*	9th - 12th	6:00 - 7:00	Monroe
*optional swim workouts Monroe Ac	quatic Center		Aquatic
Wednesday October 31	9th - 12th	6:00 - 7:15	Monroe
			Aquatic
Indoor Track: Head Coach	Tondra White		
Monday November 5	9th - 12th	3:00 - 5:00	Track

PR

Theater



Join the PTO

Membership is \$10 and it includes a PR car magnet!

Questions, please email Kim Pace at kimpace99@gmail.com

ACT & SAT Dates

ALL Juniors at PRHS will take BOTH the ACT on Feb. 20th and SAT on April 9th during school, for free, this year!!

National SAT Dates - students must register at CollegeBoard.org

- November 3rd register by 10/5, with late fee until 10/24
- December 1st register by 11/2, with late fee until 11/20
 - March 9th register by 2/8, with late fee until 2/27
 - May 4th register by 4/5, with late fee until 4/24
 - June 1st register by 5/3, with late fee until 5/22

National ACT Dates – students must register at ACT student.org

- October 27th register by 9/28, with late fee until 10/14
- December 8th register by 11/2, with late fee until 11/19
- February 9th register by 1/11, with late fee until 1/18
 - April 13th register by 3/8, with late fee until 3/25
 - June 8th register by 5/3, with late fee until 5/20
 - July 13th register by 6/14, with late fee until 6/24

(students who receive free or reduced lunch or have a financial need should see their counselor about a fee waiver)

NC Countdown to College - College Application Week October 15th-19th for Seniors

During this week many colleges in NC will waive their application fees for students who apply through www.CFNC.org. A list of colleges that are either waiving their fee or will accept a fee waiver from qualifying students. Applications must be submitted between Monday 10/15 at 7:30am to Friday 10/19 at 5:00pm.

* Counselors will be available to assist students with applications during pirate prep all week in the counseling office. If interested in getting help during Pirate Prep 10/15-10/19 please fill out the google form below and report to the counseling office during pirate prep (must be logged into school google account):

https://goo.gl/forms/8oJKwP1Poohb6aDt2

10th Graders will take the PreACT on Oct. 29th









PRHS Student Art Work on display!



Ports of Information for Pirates === Follow us on social media...

2018-2019 will feature a weekly electronic newsletter emailed to families and students.

If you need to update your email at school, please send your updated email to carolyn.lawwill@ucps.k12.nc.us

Follow us on Facebook: @PorterRidgeHS.NC

Follow us on Twitter: @PorterRidgeHSNC @PRHSCounseling

@PRHSCareer @prhs_athletics Follow us on Instagram: porterridgehs



If you signed up to donate Candy - Candy can be dropped off in the front office at PRHS! We are excited to create a fun and SAFE environment for our elementary school friends!



Counseling Department

Scholarships- Where to find

- Naviance District list of scholarships and scholarship search engine
- Websites of colleges you are applying to
- Parents work or other organizations they may belong to

Visit https://www.ucps.k12.nc.us/Page/4988 for a list of free scholarship search engines

Major Scholarships

- Some major universities have competitions to select students for full-ride scholarships. These are *highly competitive*. At Porter Ridge, students apply to be considered as the PRHS school nominee. Students complete an application and our school scholarship committee, consisting of school counselors, an administrator and teachers, reviews the applications of students and chooses our school nominee(s). The student(s) selected as our school nominee then applies directly to the institution for the larger competition.
- Below are links to the applications of the individual scholarships. Please note the deadlines are designed to
 allow time for our scholarship committee to meet and review the student applications. These deadlines are final.
 No exception. Some of the scholarships allow students to self-nominate if they are not chosen as their school's
 nominee. Please see the individual scholarship websites for more information.
- ALL Juniors at PRHS will take BOTH the ACT and SAT during school, for free, this year!!

Feel free to contact Ms. Burgess with any questions.

University of Virginia - Jefferson Scholar Application Due Nov. 3

Seniors- Please make sure you notify Mrs. Ponder of any scholarship you are offered even if you do not plan to attend the college





Huntington Learning Center-Weddington is partnering with UCPS to provide our students with test taking tips and tricks for the ACT and SAT. Students who attend earn participation points toward their school's #UCPSCollegeReady goal!

UCPS will be administering the ACT and SAT to all juniors for free.

- UCPS ACT administration date: February 20, 2019
- UCPS SAT administration date: April 9, 2019

Date	Time	Location	Registration Link	Test(s) Addressed
Saturday, November 17, 2018	10:00 am - 12:00 pm	CATA 600 Brewer Drive Monroe, NC 28112	http://bit.ly/blitz11-17-18	SAT & ACT
Saturday, February 16, 2019	10:00 am - 12:00 pm	CATA 600 Brewer Drive Monroe, NC 28112	http://bit.lv/blitz2-16-19	ACT
Saturday, April 6, 2019	10:00 am - 12:00 pm	TBD	Coming Soon!	SAT





Introducing Counselor Drop-Ins

We know that college applications can be overwhelming!

No appointment. No slip. No essail.

Just show up with your questions. A counsolor will be available to bely your

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
7:30-8:00 James	7:30-8:00 Ponder	7:30-8:00 Burgess	2:30-8:00 Davison
3:00-3:45 Bavison	3:00-3:45 Burgess	3:00-3:45 James	3:00-3:45 Ponder

The counselor's name is listed in case you have a counselor preference but you are NOT thinked to meeting with your assigned counselor. Drop is any day and get your questions enswered by any counselor.



INAUGURAL PORTER RIDGE ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB GOLF TOURNAMENT

Hosted by Baseball & Softball programs

Email your teams or hole sponsorships to Coach Cooke at daniel.cooke@ucps.k12.nc.us (below info needed)

CLICK HERE to register

PLAYER/TEAM REGISTRATION

HOLE SPONSORSHIP

Business Name:

Contact Name:

Contact Phone:

Contact Email:

Saturday, November 10

9:00am Shotgun Start

9750 Tournament Drive Matthews, NC 28104

\$80.00 per player

\$320.00 per team

\$100 per hole sponsor

Make checks payable to: PRABC

Deadline for Registration
November 1

Entry fee includes lunch, range balls, and goody bag

Mulligans, raffle and door prizes will be offered

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING PORTER RIDGE ATHLETICS! Varsity times listed here; see Athletic website for all JV times



Athletics

Fri 10/26	Football vs Myers Park 7:30
Sat 10/27	XC Regionals in Kernersville; Band Pirate Cove Classic
Fri 11/2	Football AT Hickory Ridge 7:30
Sat 11/3	XC State Championships
Mon 11/5	Winter Sports Mandatory Meeting 6:30



Congratulations to Porter Ridge Soccer for being the conference champs!





Pirate Events

Fri 10/26	East Carolina Visit 9:30 in Media Center; Fall Fest 5:00 in Boneyard
Sat 10/27(&Th 10/25)	"Antisocial" and "Funhouse" 7:30 in Auditorium
Sat 11/3	Drama Competition at Rocky River High School
Mon 11/5	Davidson College Visit in the Media Center
Wed 11/7	Graphic Design Club in E105 at 3:00 Spanish Club Meeting in F102 at 3:15
Thu 11/8	Gaming Club in E102 at 3:00

Announcements

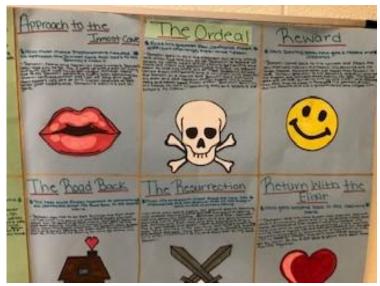
- Winter Sports Tryouts begin October 31. To tryout you must get a tryout ticket. Tryout tickets will be given out during all lunches on Wednesday October 24, Thursday October 25, Monday October 29, & Wednesday October 31. See the athletics site for more details on tryout dates & times.
- Come and audition for **"12 Angry Jurors"**, this year's after school on October 29th & 30th from 3:00-5:00. All experience levels are welcome and no preparation is required. See Mr. Ford with any questions.
- **FCCLA** members are selling Attraction Coupon Books now through November 5th. Books are 20 dollars each please see an FCCLa member.
- The next meeting of the **Porter Ridge NHS** will be on Tuesday, Oct. 30th from 7:30-7:50am in the auditorium. All NHS members are required to attend.
- There will be a **National English Honor Society meeting** on Friday, Oct 26th before school at 7:30 and after school at 3:00 in G112. Please attend whichever works best for you. Please see Mr. Boyles with any questions or concerns.
- Tickets for the **FBLA Halloween Candy Drawing** will be available Monday, October 22nd through Tuesday, October 30th. Drawing will be held and announced on Wednesday, October 31st during 4th block. Remember if you purchase a ticket you do not have to attend this school.
- Attention all NHS members. Please visit our google page under the "News" tab to learn about a new community service hour
 opportunity. This would be a great way to complete your T2 hours.
- All individuals interested in participating in PRHS' Step Team are asked to meet in room E105F on Thursday November 1st from 3-4. Please come dressed comfortable enough to perform requested routine. Do make sure your rides are here no later than 4:00 pm.
- It is time for the **Porter Ridge FFA** Poinsettia Fundraiser! Please see an FFA member or Ms. Starnes if you would like to place an order. All orders and money are due by November 1st, and Poinsettias will be available for pick-up at the PRHS Greenhouse on Saturday, December 1st from 8am-12pm. Send any questions to cassidy.starnes@ucps.k12.nc.us.
- The ASVAB will be given on Thursday Nov. 15th from 8-11:30am. It iss a multiple-aptitude battery that measures developed abilities and helps predict future academic and occupational success in the military. Students must be in 10th, 11th or 12th grade to take the test. Interested students must sign up by November 8th at the following link https://goo.gl/forms/pIFHPSV0qIYAxRaf2 (must be logged into UCPS google account to access).
- PRHS will be hosting a **Latino College Night** on November 13th at 6:30pm in the Media Center. Dr. Landers from SPCC will present in Spanish information on applying to college and financial aid.
- Anybody interested in the PR Swim team must pick up the Aquatics Swim Form in the main office and return it by Monday October 29 to the main office.

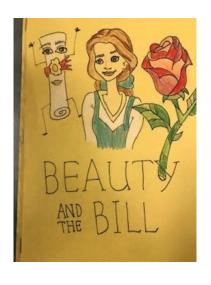


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- Juniors and Seniors are able to miss up to two school days for college visits per academic year. A letter from the college showing you attended for a visit, must be turned into the office following your visit.
- Yearbooks are now on sale for \$75. The last date to take advantage of this discounted price is 10/24 when prices
 will increase! Take advantage of savings now! You may order on (www.Jostens.com) or grab an order form in Ms.
 Watson's room (G205).
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- **Seniors:** Please remember to submit all of your scholarship offers to Ms. Ponder in Counseling. Anytime you are offered a scholarship, even if you do not plan to attend that college, you should submit the award to Ms. Ponder.
- Please all Flex/Co-Op/and SPCC students stop by the Attendance Counselor's office to receive your pass for signing in and out.
- **Drama Competition** at Rocky River High School Saturday, November 3













Porter Ridge High @PorterRidgeHSNC - 6h

Adv Chorus treats all of PRHS 2 a performance of Esto les Digo over the school speakers! Beautiful music for our day! @prhs_athletics @PRHSCareer @UCPS_MonroeNC @AGHoulihan





Union County Public Schools would like to welcome the return of the Annual UCPS Holiday Card Contest. UCPS is looking for students to create festive artwork to celebrate this upcoming holiday season.

- *** Eligibility:**
 - Any student who is currently enrolled in UCPS is eligible to participate.
 One entry per student.
- * Award:

The winning submission will be featured as the cover of the UCPS Holiday Card with the student's name, grade and school. The winner will receive an official UCPS Board of Education Certificate and be recognized at the December Board Meeting.

- * Artwork Theme:
 - Happy Holidays/Season's Greetings Submissions should reflect holiday spirited or winter themes. Artwork may not reference or contain images related to specific religious holidays.
- Design Specifications:

The final card size will be 8.5 inches wide x 6 inches tall. Please create all artwork to fit these proportions.

- * Deadline for Entries:
 - All entries must be received no later than 5:00 PM on Wednesday, October 31, 2018.
- Submission of artwork:

All submissions must be sent or delivered to the UCPS Central Services office:

UCPS Central Services Attn: Arthur Rogers 400 North Church Street Monroe, NC 28112

For more detailed information, visit www.ucps.k12.nc.us



1ST ANNUAL

SOCK TROT 5K

NOVEMBER 17, 2018

Join us in a FUN 5K trail run - wear your CRAZY socks!

Bring a new pack of socks to donate to Heart for Monroe.

Event will be timed. No refunds or transfers. Rain or shine.

Porter Ridge High School. 8am start. \$30 individual \$100 team.

Register online at https://racesonline.com/events/sock-trot-5k



Thank You For Supporting Porter Ridge Athletics!

Porter Ridge High @PorterRidgeHSNC - 5h

Special thanks to Kelly Gaines from Charlotte Aquatics for visiting Mrs. Goldberg's Parenting and Child Development class yesterday to discuss water safety!

@CItAquatics #UCPSVolunteers

