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# PIRATE PRESS 2020-2021

We don't know exactly what this year will bring, but we know our teachers need our support! Please consider joining PTO this year!

PTO Membership Form!

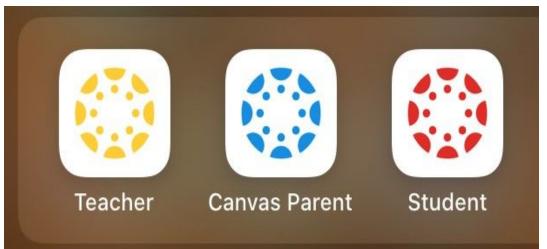
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**Pirate** 

Students and Parents... Official Progress Reports are available through Parent Portal TODAY Thursday 9/10.

Please note that Traditional Virtual Courses (have the room listed as "online") store grades in Canvas only until the end of the grading period. Please check Canvas.





Canvas Mobile APPS! Download Today!



### A Note from the Principal:

Parents and students please be sure that you are checking the grades for all of your student's courses to see their progress. We are over halfway through our first grading period and while we have many students doing an incredible job, we have many students who are missing numerous assignments and their grades reflect that.

#### Students are expected to:

- Log into their courses **EVERY** day M-F.
  - Courses that are Plan B (hybrid/face to face) have virtual meetings Monday through Thursday and students are expected to be in the course during that class period. On Fridays courses that are Plan B have work assignments that are to be completed that day.
  - UC Virtual courses have work assigned Monday through Friday and students should be completing work each day as scheduled.
- Complete all assignments for the courses. An assignment that is not completed will earn a zero. Late submissions will be subject to the teacher's late policy.
- Notify the teacher immediately if you have a connectivity or Canvas issue. We have found that while many students are being very honest about technical difficulties there are some students who are not and so the teacher may require you to show a screenshot of the issue.
  - Students should use the help desk to get assistance with a technical/chromebook/connectivity issue. Issues with Canvas assignments or MS Teams should be directed to the teacher, or call the main office for assistance from another staff member.
- Be respectful when communicating with teachers.
- Contact their school counselor if they need assistance when communicating with a teacher, or if they need advice as to how to get back on track.

### #Committed



### **Club** Fair

# PORTER RIDGE CLUB FAIR PART I



### CLUB FAIR PART I

STARTING MONDAY 9/14 CHECK OUT THE VIDEOS AND INFORMATION ABOUT CLUBS AT PRHS ON THE PRHS WEBSITE! CHECK BACK THE FOLLOWING WEEK FOR INTEREST MEETING DATES AND TIMES.





### Porter Ridge High School

# Senior College Information Night

### Virtual Meeting September 15 @6:30pm

Learn about: SCOIR How to Apply Residency Determination Essays/Recommendations FinancialAid/ Scholarships

Register to receive link to attend: https://forms.gle/csMp57kJpxz67j5P9



# PIRATES

#### Order your 2020-2021 Yearbook!

Take advantage of savings now! Click on the link below to order!

Buy now for a special deal of \$75, plus free icon personalization! Offer ends Sept. 18th!





### Go to jostens.com

**Underclassman Picture Day** 

Yearbook pictures will take place the week of September 21st-24th on your assigned school day. Virtual students' pictures will be taken on Friday, September 25th.



See this link to pre-order picture packages from LifeTouch Use your Picture Day ID: EVTDTQVMS





### **Senior AD information**



### Porter Ridge High School

# Calling all proud parents

Celebrate your student's journey with a yearbook ad.

Create and purchase online by 11/20/2020

jostensadservice.com

Jostens







Hello Senior Students and Parents,

Firstly, I would like to thank you again for ordering your Class of 2021 senior packet with the Porter Ridge Band of Pirates. Covid-19 has made shipping materials a few of our items a little slower than usual, but we are finally able to announce the date that all items will be available for pick-up!

Senior packet pickup day will be Saturday, September 19th at Porter Ridge High School. Pickup will take place between 10 am and 12 pm in front of the school using the same driveway used to drop off car riders in the morning. To maintain a safe environment this will be a completely curbside event. There will be no need to exit your vehicle and enter the building.

We ask that you or your student bring some type of photo identification to ensure that packets are given to the appropriate party. Again thank you for your order and we look forward to seeing you on September 19th! If you have any questions feel free to contact us at <u>PRseniorpackets@gmail.com</u>

Best,

Mr. Ross



### **School Counseling**

#### From the Counseling Office

We hope all students have had a successful start to this school year, and we want to let you know we are here to support you throughout the school year with academic, career/college, and social/emotional needs. If you would like to set up a meeting with your counselor, you can reach out by sending an email or filling out the form linked below.

School Counselor Meeting Form-

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeXG8TVu3qUCbtUrF2YxvpSrtXfYxTgt1Xkyu8Jd53w164WGQ/viewf orm

#### **Meet Your Counselor**

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#### Spring 2020 Grade Correction Request

Students who passed a class in spring 2020 had a choice of either the numerical grade or PC19. Students who did not make a choice in the spring and want to change what they received may do so up until October 16, 2020. If you choose numeric average, you are choosing the higher of T4 or T4/T5 average as your final grade and it will count in your GPA. If you choose the PC19 the grade will not count in your GPA calculation. Please note the final day to process this form is Friday, October 16, 2020 at 8:00am.

#### **Upcoming Events**

Seniors: Counselors will be holding sessions to meet with seniors on Four Year College, Community and Preparing for a Career or Military directly after high school. We would like all seniors to sign up for a session using the link below. <u>https://forms.gle/YgvHmifkr8QWaoCL8</u>

#### CACRAO Virtual College Exploration- September 14-October 9

Learn more about 201 different colleges and universities from 26 states, Washington DC and 4 countries! You can choose from 280 information sessions to hear from admission officers and experienced admission counselors who will tell you what you need to know about college admissions.

Register here and find more information: https://www.cacrao.org/programs/2020-high-school-student-registration



### **School Counseling**

College Virtual Visits for PRHS students You must register for the visits through your SCOIR account. September 11- Salem College September 11- Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University September 11- East Carolina University September 18- Mercer University September 18- Savannah College of Art & Design September 25- Pfeiffer University September 25- High Point University September 25- Furman University October 2- Lander University October 16- Liberty University

#### **Scholarships & Opportunities**

**John H. Crowder Award**- UCPS will continue to honor the late John H. Crowder through a community service award for high school students. The Board of Education is committed to recognizing high school students who are making a difference in their school and community.

If you are interested in being selected as our 2020 John H. Crowder Award recipient, please fill out the form linked below no later than September 16, 2020. If you have questions, please email Ms. Patterson. https://forms.gle/6iAJBxKi85m6c5HR8

The **Fall 2020 Scholarship Newsletter** is now available. View the link below for more information. <u>https://docs.google.com/document/d/1kxjiNyMVxhL\_9ubG2p9nqRiGOzMgFxWv9QneMuACBY4/edit?usp=sharing</u>

Some 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 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 the links to information about the individual scholarships and their applications.

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. Feel free to contact Ms. Patterson with any questions.

**Belk Scholarship** at Davidson College due September 17 Application: <u>https://forms.gle/aSjZNdcz1fD11UEr5</u>

**Levine Scholarship** at UNC Charlotte due September 24 Application: <u>https://forms.gle/EDqqpUxhwMkn57p86</u>

**Park Scholarship** at NC State due September 24 Application: <u>https://forms.gle/JbZiwnG4o7yKCij46</u>



### Canvas Checklist



## Canvas Parent Readiness Checklist

#### What is a Canvas Observer?

The main use of the observer role is to link a parent to a student. Observers cannot submit work on behalf of the students they observe, but they can see student grades, assignments, and calendar events. For more information: <u>https://bit.ly/UCPScpr1</u>



#### How do you get an Observer Account?

Parents and guardians can be linked to students in Canvas with a unique pairing code. Observer accounts can "observe" more than one student. For more information: <u>https://bit.ly/UCPScpr2\_</u>Video: <u>https://bit.ly/UCPScpr4\_</u>

#### How do you navigate Canvas?

Parents and guardians can be linked to students in Canvas with a unique paring code. Observer accounts can "observe" more than one student. For more information: <u>https://bit.ly/UCPScpr5</u> Video: <u>https://bit.ly/UCPScpr7</u>

#### How do you get the Canvas Parent App?

Parents and guardians can access Canvas for parents on the go with this easy to use mobile app. For more information: <u>https://bit.ly/UCPScpr8</u>

For more information, visit the EmpowerED Family Portal: http://bit.ly/STUsup.





### **Canvas Lista De Verificación**



### Lista de verificación de preparación de los padres para Canvas

#### ¿Qué es un Canvas Observer?

El rol principal de observador es vincular a un padre con su estudiante. Los observadores no pueden enviar trabajos en nombre de los estudiantes que observan, pero pueden ver las calificaciones, las tareas y los eventos del calendario de los estudiantes. Para mayor información: https://bit.ly/UCPScpr10\_

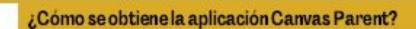


#### ¿Cómo se obtiene una cuenta de Observer?

Los padres y tutores pueden vincularse a los estudiantes en Canvas con un código único. Las cuentas de observadores pueden "observar" a más de un estudiante. Para mayor información: <u>https://bit.ly/UCPScpr9</u>

#### ¿Cómo se obtiene la aplicación Canvas Parent?

Los padres y tutores pueden vincularse a los estudiantes en Canvas con un código único. Las cuentas de observadores pueden "observar" a más de un estudiante. Para mayor información: <u>https://bit.ly/UCPScpr11</u>



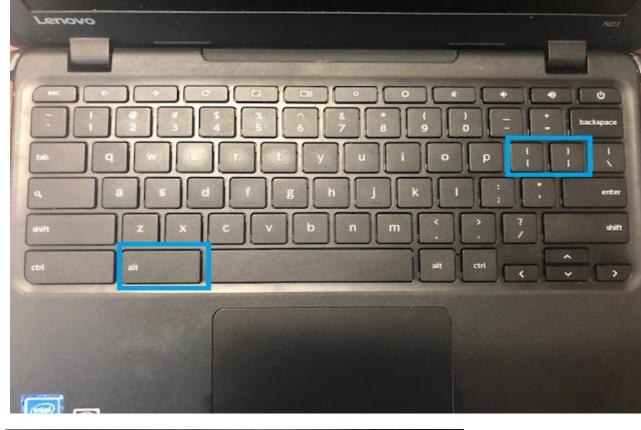
Los padres y tutores pueden acceder a Canvas para padres con esta aplicación móvil muy fácil de usar. Para mayor información: https://bit.ly/UCPScpr12

Para mayor información, visite EmpowerED Family Portal: http://bit.ly/STUsup

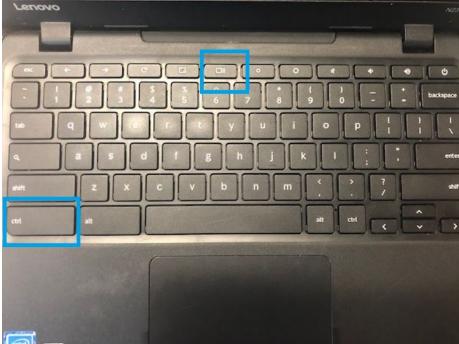




### **Tech Tip Thursday**



Students hold down the alt key and the [] Keys at the same time and you can split your screen! Great way to keep Canvas and Teams Meetings open at the same time!



Take a screenshot of your screen for submissions! Ctrl plus the video button at the same time!



### **Meal Info**

### Free breakfast and lunch now available for all UCPS students until Dec. 31, 2020

Student ID numbers are required for in-school meals.

A la carte items are also available for purchase at regular prices.



### Desayuno y almuerzo gratis ahora disponible para todos los estudiantes de UCPS hasta el 31 de Diciembre de 2020.

Se requiere el número de identificación de estudiante para las comidas en la escuela.

Los alimentos a la carta también están disponibles para su compra a precios regulares.





# Attestation Forms MUST be filled out Weekly!



# Transportation

Weekly Attestation Form – Must be turned in to the bus driver

each week

- <u>Printable form</u> <u>Printable form in Spanish</u>
- -OR-
- <u>Google form</u> <u>Google form in Spanish</u>

**Parent Acknowledgement Form –** Must be completed prior to the first day a student rides the bus

- <u>Printable form</u> <u>Printable form in Spanish</u>
- -OR-
- <u>Google form</u> <u>Google form in Spanish</u>

### Here Comes the Bus Phone App Information and Sign-Up

**Transportation FAQ** 

Bus Information can also be obtained through the Here Comes the Bus Phone App above. Please call the school with any concerns.



### **Pirate Ports of Information**



# Ports of Information for Pirates:

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