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Report Cards will be distributed next week:

- 1. All student grades for the first six weeks (T1) can be viewed in Parent Portal now.
- 2. Students who come to school will receive them during 4th Block on either Monday or Wednesday.
- 3. Students who are registered for the Virtual Academy will receive report cards in the mail.
- 4. Students who are plan B, but are not currently coming to school, can come pick up a copy in the front office.

T2 - the second grading period - started on Monday 9/29.

Students should be sure to stay on top of their work every day in order to be most successful!



Spirit Wear



<u>Spirit Wear – On Sale online now until October 8th. Merchandise will come into the school and pick up will be on October 27 from 4pm – 7pm.</u>



Cross Country and Tennis

Next week Cross Country and Tennis will begin workouts. Anybody interested must register on FamilyID.



Cross Country Workouts Monday October 5 thru Thursday October 8. Check-in Time is 3:30.

Email Coach Beckerman tb2006itnc@gmail.com with any questions.

Men's and Women's Tennis Workouts Monday October 5th. Check-in Time is 3:30.

Email Coach McQueen tjmcqueen@earthlink.net with any questions.



Golf Tournament

PR ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB



3rd Annual Golf Tournament

NOVEMBER 14, 2020 | EMERALD LAKE GOLF COURSE | 9AM PLAYER \$100 | TEAM \$400 | HOLE SPONSOR \$100

Register online at porterridgeabc.org

Porter Ridge Athletic Booster Club 3rd Annual Golf Tournament on Saturday November 14 at Emerald Lake at 9am. We are looking for foursomes and hole sponsors. <u>Click Here</u> to register online. Cost is \$100 per player and \$100 for hole sponsors.



PRHS Castaways Present....

Porter Ridge High School's Castaways Present Takeout Theatre





Please Fill Out The PHOTO release Forms

UCPS Photo, Video and News Release Form

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HAVE CHROMEBOOK ISSUES?

Location: D105 inside Media Center

Who: Mr. Love or Ms. Snelson

Hours:

Mon-Thurs 7:30-8:45 am

Mon-Thurs 10:15- 12:00 pm

Friday- Make an appointment w/ Mr. Love by email malcolm.love@ucps.k12.nc.us







A Message from The PTO



Shop and Support PRHS with your smile!

Amazon Smile is a simple way for you and your family to support the PRHS PTO every time you shop. There is no cost to you, and you will find the exact same low prices and convenient shopping as Amazon.com. The added benefit of using the Amazon Smile to support PRHS is we receive 0.5% back. Tens of millions of products are eligible for us to receive donations.

You can use the same account on Amazon.com, the Amazon App, and AmazonSmile.com. Your shopping list, wish list, and account settings are all the same. Click on the link below to link your accounts to PRHS. Once you are linked the selection will be saved for future purchases and eligible purchase will result in a donation. Tens of Thousands of products qualify.

Link us today!

https://smile.amazon.com/ch/46-5725237





Porter Ridge High School has always had one of the LARGEST school blood drives in North Carolina! Help us continue to provide life-saving blood to our community by showing up to donate!! Sign up Below!!

Porter Ridge High School



Annual Fall Blood Drive Friday, October 9th 8:00am - 2:00pm



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How to Donate

To Schedule a life-saving appointment, please go to:

The Red Cross Website





PORTER RIDGE FFA PET COSTUME CONTEST

Send your pet's photo in their Halloween costume to **cassidy.starnes@ucps.k12.nc.us** with your name and your pet's name!

You can submit as many pets as you would like!

Winners will be announced on October 19th!

•There is a prize for the winner!•











10.5.20 WEAR BLUE WORLD DAY OF BULLYING PREVENTION

Image from stompoutbullying.org

Join your fellow Pirates and wear blue this coming Monday to stand together in solidarity against bullying!

Monday is also the first day of our Spirit Week and is Mis-match Monday - please feel free to incorporate blue into your Mis-match Monday outfit!



Free Wi-Fi and Internet access for students

Monday - Thursday • 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Friday • 7:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.



- **Q** Riverside Community
- Suburban Estates Community
 - Creekridge Community
 - **O Icemorlee Apartments**



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







Parents can now access Scoir!

What can you do with a Scoir account?

- See which colleges your child is following.
- Suggest colleges for your child to follow.
- Complete a personalized financial aid calculator to receive a custom price estimate.

How do you get a Scoir account?

Your child must invite you!

Students should:

- Log in
- Visit "My Profile"
- Click on "Invite a parent"
 Students will need their parent's
 email address.

Parents

+ Invite a Parent



From College Readiness



2020-2021 UCPS Parent College Readiness Webinars

For more info and to register visit https://bit.ly/collegereadywebinars

Paying for College	September 21, 2020
Getting Ready for College	October 19, 2020
College Entrance Exams 101	November 16, 2020
College Recruiting for Athletes	December 8, 2020
Scoir for Underclassmen Parents	January 11, 2021
Paying for College	February 8, 2021
College Entrance Exams 101	. March 8, 2021
College Recruiting for Athletes	April 19, 2021

All webinars will be held at 6:00 pm. Dates are subject to change.

@UCPSCollegePrep

Info From CTE

"Career of the Week - Veterinary Assistants"

Veterinary Assistants feed, water, and examine pets and other non-farm animals for signs of illness, disease, or injury in labs, animal hospitals and clinics. Tasks a vet assistant might perform on a daily basis are to hold or restrain animals during veterinary procedures, clean and maintain kennels, fill medication prescriptions, clean, maintain, and sterilize instruments or equipment, educate or advise clients on animal health care, nutrition, or behavior problems. Administer medication, immunizations, or blood plasma to animals as prescribed by veterinarians, etc. To become a Veterinary Assistant, one must have a high school diploma or equivalent. The average salary for the state of North Carolina is \$28,330 and is expected to experience rapid job growth over the next decade.







Announcements

Let Porter Ridge High School's Castaways bring theatre to you as we present our very first "Take Out Theatre". We will be live streaming The Most Dangerous Game from the PRHS auditorium October 26th & 27th at 10:15 AM and performing a virtual staged reading of Touchstone on October 28th & 29th at 10:15 AM. Tickets to attend these events are a mere \$3 and are available at porterridgehs.seatyourself.biz. For the ticket cost you will be emailed a link to view the live stream the day of show and a video of the live stream will be shared with you the day after. If you have any questions please email Mr. Ford.

Pirates remember to Wear your mask, wait six feet apart, and wash your hands frequently. Remember that the small u shaped halls in EFG are one way only. If you have not yet received your free pack of masks, see one of the administrators during lunch to get your pack.

Attention Seniors! Interested in purchasing a senior advertisement for the 2021 yearbook? Visit jostensadservice.com to purchase and build your own senior ad. Please see Miss Moore or any yearbook staff member with questions.

All students need to activate their SCOIR account. Click on the Scoir icon on your student startup page and login with your UCPS Google account. Through Scoir you can research college options and sign up for virtual college visits.

Seniors:

Remember to turn in all scholarship offers to Ms. Patterson in the School Counseling Office!

Attention all newly invited NHS members! Please make sure to get your completed form and photo to Mr. Crider via email no later than Monday, Oct. 5th. Also, you must make your dues payment online. You will not be inducted unless your fees are paid. See or email Mr. Crider with any questions.



Hello FBLA Members! Our next meeting is scheduled on Friday, October 9th from 1:00 - 2:00 PM. If you are interested in running for an officer position--come prepared to make your pitch to the club! If you'd attended the club interest meeting, additional information will be emailed to you. See or email Mrs. Taylor (RM D100) if you are interested in joining the club and missed the initial meeting. Thank you.

Invitations to join Beta Club were sent to the school email of eligible 10-12th grade students with an unweighted 3.5 GPA or higher. The deadline to apply is September 30th. Contact Ms. Davison, shari.davison@ucps.k12.nc.us, if you have questions.



If you are interested in joining Interact complete the Google Form listed below. To pay for dues, shirt, and/or senior cords go to the PRHS website to make the payment online. https://forms.gle/uM6PCYsjjZErcwNM9

Wear blue on Monday, October 5 so we can stand together in solidarity against bullying!

If you are interested in joining HOSA please complete the following link below. The link for payment is located in the form. If you have any questions please email Ms. Clontz. https://forms.gle/nE2Zn8c7PShdCaxDA





Counseling Food Drive







PRHS Counseling Department Canned Food Drive

Please help the counseling department support families during this critical time by donating canned and shelf-stable food items. The counseling food bank serves many families in need within our community.

Drop off your items in the counseling office every Tuesday between 7:30 am and 3:00 pm.

Items needed include canned vegetables, canned fruits, crackers, peanut butter and jelly, cereal, rice, beans, pasta, and juice.



School Counseling

From the Counseling Office

Quote of the Week: "A person who never made mistakes never tried anything new."

Albert Einstein

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. Each counselor has set up an appointment calendar through which you can schedule a meeting either virtual or in person for a day and time that works for your schedule. If you just have a question please feel free to send your counselor an email.

Tondra White - last names A-Cou

tondra.white@ucps.k12.nc.us

Schedule a meeting - https://calendly.com/tondra-white/15min

Carly Patterson - last names Cov-Hek

carly.patterson@ucps.k12.nc.us

Schedule a meeting - https://calendly.com/carly-patterson/studentofficehours

Bryan James – last names Hel-Mc

bryan.james@ucps.k12.nc.us

Schedule a meeting - https://calendly.com/bryan-james-1/office-hours

Jillian Durante – last names Me-Sg

jillian.durante@ucps.k12.nc.us

Schedule a meeting - https://calendly.com/jillian-durante/30min

Shari Davison – last names Sh-Z

shari.davison@ucps.k12.nc.us

Schedule a meeting - https://calendly.com/shari-davison/student-office-hours

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Spring 2020 Grade Correction Request

Students who were in Grades 9-11 in 2019-20 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.



School Counseling

Upcoming Events

Interested in learning about the Air Force ROTC? The AFROTC is a college program that provides students with the opportunity to pursue a commission as an officer in the United States Air and Space Force, while earning an undergraduate degree. Sign up to attend a virtual visit on October 16th @ 10am at the following link: https://forms.gle/SxzreyeiLqsJqdfU8

USC Lancaster Admissions Webinar Series - Sign up for one of the sessions using the link below. Choose from The A-Z Guide to USC Lancaster, Student Life: The USC Lancaster Way,

Lancers Sports Zone and many more!

Register here: https://www.sc.edu/about/system_and_campuses/lancaster/apply/prospective_lancers/index.php

Are you interested in taking SPCC courses and earning college credit? For 10th, 11th, and 12th Graders: Fill out the form linked below no later than Friday, October 16 to gain access to more information about the Career & College Promise Program. https://forms.gle/RbvqeCXcwcqK7Bhy8

Register for the HBCU Summit Series by October 15-

Students will have the opportunity to choose and visit virtually with the HBCUs in attendance and get accepted on the spot by many of the participating schools. Attend workshops and be able to engage with recruiters and alumni to have all of your questions answered. Click for more <u>information</u> and <u>registration</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

College Virtual Visits for PRHS students

You must register for the visits through your SCOIR account.

October 2- University of South Carolina

October 2- Queens University

October 2- Suffolk University

October 9- UNC Asheville

October 9- Lander University

October 9-Virginia Commonwealth

October 9- Catawba College

October 16- Liberty University

October 16- UNC Charlotte

October 16- Roanoke College

October 30- University of Alabama at Birmingham



Scholarships & Opportunities

The **Governor's School of North Carolina** is a 5½-week summer residential program for gifted and talented high school students, integrating academic disciplines, the arts, and unique courses on each of two campuses. The curriculum focuses on the exploration of the most recent ideas and concepts in each discipline, and it does not involve credit, tests, or grades. Students are selected to attend through a competitive process after being nominated by their public school unit or non-public school. More information to come.

This is a quick overview of the North Carolina Governor's School program and how students can apply and be nominated and selected. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OlOVyrev4Ck

The Fall 2020 Scholarship Newsletter is now available. View the link below for more information. https://docs.google.com/document/d/1kxjiNyMVxhl 9ubG2p9ngRiGOzMgFxWv9QneMuACBY4/edit?usp=sharing

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 November 12

Application: https://forms.gle/aSjZNdcz1fD11UEr5.

Jefferson Scholarship at University of Virginia due November 12

Application: https://forms.gle/XP2aTQZWd51Wvgn39





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.





Transportation Info Fall 2020

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-

• Google form Google form in Spanish

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-

• Google form Google form in Spanish

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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