

Volume 2 **Issue Number 9**

October 18th 2019

Dear Pirate Community,

Great job to our Sophomores for their effort on the PSAT this week. Next week the sophomores will be taking the pre-ACT on Wednesday. This will give them a great feel for what the actual ACT will be during their Junior year. Please make sure they get a good night's rest, are to school on time on Wednesday morning and have a good breakfast. Sophomores should bring their calculators. A huge congratulations to all of our students who were inducted into the National Honor Society this week. Thank you to Mr. Crider and the NHS officers for their efforts. Our Culinary Academy, under the direction of Chef Templeton, created a night of delicious food for guests on Thursday. From carrot ginger soup to cider braised pork shoulder, they created it all with style. Great service and atmosphere - our Culinary Academy students are getting an excellent education!

This week our Advisory classes talked about being Proactive in our lives. Students and teachers learned the importance of striving to be Proactive rather than reactive. If you would like to learn along with us, we hope that you will take time to read about the 7 Habits of Highly Effective that are the basis for our Leader in Me curriculum. We hope that you will encourage your students to use the organizers provided to them at the start of the year to be proactive with their studies.

Congratulations to Women's tennis qualifying for the 4A State Dual Team Thursday at South Caldwell. Golfer Makenzie Toth Made the SW4A All Conference Team. Addison King and Makenzie Toth qualified for the State 4A West Regionals Monday Oct 21 at Oak Valley Golf Club. Our volleyball team beat Hickory Ridge this week 3-2 matches setting them in a tie for second place in the conference! Way to go Pirates!! We celebrated our Volleyball and Field Hockey Seniors this week at their matches. Thank you to each of them for their dedication to our school.

Good luck to the band at their double competition day at Mooresville and East Rowan High Schools! Make us proud as always! Remember that the Band of Pirates is hosting their Pirate Cove Classic next Saturday right here at PRHS. If you love great music and marching bands come check it out! Our incredible PTO is hosting a luncheon for our staff next week and is need of donations and desserts are needed for the luncheon on Tuesday, October 22nd! Please consider sending in a sweet treat to support our event! Please go to the Pirate Press to follow the link to support the PTO in supporting our teachers! https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0b4ea9a62aa31-prhs

Our Fall blood drive hosted by our Interact and HOSA clubs will take place on Wednesday, October 30th. Parents who are donating should check in at Porter Ridge Middle School office as we will be using their gym for collection. This past year Porter Ridge was the largest high school blood drive in the state of North Carolina. Please consider donating! Contact Mrs. Hayley Clontz with any questions!

Please take time to read over this newsletter. These newsletters are sent on a weekly basis so that the whole community can read about the great things our children and teachers are doing. The Pirate Press, in addition to our website, will be the main form of communication from school to home.

Go Pirates!!! Dr. Fisenne

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Varsity Football 10/18 @ 7:00pm @ Garinger





OCTOBER 30TH

BLOOD DRIVE

16 year olds can donate with parent consent form.

Anyone 17 or older can donate without a form!

Sign up to donate today!



https://bit.ly/2m1RTrk



Future 49ers Teach Day

 11^{th} and 12^{th} Graders...Are you interested in pursuing a career in teaching? Join us in attending UNCC 49ers Teach Day on Thursday November 14 from 9am – 1pm. Attendees will have the opportunity to meet current faculty and students in the education program and attend sessions related to the teaching field. Students will need to bring lunch money. 11^{th} graders can pick up a permission form in the main office. Forms are due by Friday November 1^{st} . The trip is limited to 15 students so turn it in before the deadline.

FUTURE 49ERS TEACH

DAY • «

JOIN US FOR A DAY DEDICATED TO BECOMING A TEACHER IN NORTH CAROLINA!

NOVEMBER 14, 2019 | 9:00-1:00 P.M CONE CENTER | UNC CHARLOTTE MAIN CAMPUS



- ENGAGE IN BREAK OUT SESSIONS
- MEET OUR FACULTY AND CURRENT STUDENTS
- HEAR FROM UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSIONS
- TAKE A CAMPUS TOUR
- PLAY GAMES AND WIN PRIZES
- LEARN WHAT IT TAKES TO BECOME A TEACHER AND A NINER ALL IN ONE DAY

Teacher Cadet classes, school groups, individual students and families and all prospective students in grades 11-12 are welcome to attend. Documentation of a college visit will be available upon request.

Contact the Cato College of Education recruitment office at trecruitment@uncc.edu for more information.







Spring 2019 10th Grade Bars and Letters Recognition

Class of 2022

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Davis, Gabriella Nicole De Souza, Julia Emilyn Dela Cruz, Mia Katherine DelaRosa, Matthew Aldo Diggs, Aidan Walker Dudina, Tatiana Durbin, Kira Hannah-Louise Egan, Caroline Rose Ekey, Kyle Alexander Faherty, Cyrus Sean Fernandez, Viviana Maciel Foy, Isabella Rose Fuller, Mollie Christine Garner, Sallie Ruth Gonsalves, Jordan Albert Gonzalez-Torres, Alvaro Antonio Green, Jack Foster Greenberg, Camryn Danae Greer, Anna Elizabeth Guerrero, Ava Margaret Harris, Kaylynn Marie Harvey, Joshua Thomas Helms, Elizabeth Grace Henning, Allyson Marie Jones, Nicholas Ryan Jurca, Abigail Emily Kimmet, Gage MacArthur Kobe, Nicholas Anthony Kobe, Victor Patrick Krenz, Grace Elizabeth Ladimir, Nathan Joseph

Lyons, James Michael Mace, Rebekah Olivia Martin, Micah Lewis McGillivray, Jake Joseph McIntyre, Hannah Joy Medina Campos, Vanessa Medlin, Silas John Mejias, Tristen Philip Mills, Zachary Ney Montgomery, Michael Tanner Moskowitz, Brandon Eric Muratovic, Adina Myers, Sarah Dianne Neal, Cara Fair Newstreet, Hunter Robert O'Keef, Owen Michael Ortiz Vega, Genesis Penny, Addison Pettinicchi, Melanie Jane Reagan, Jakob Cameron Rice, Christopher William Rodriguez, Ashley Renee Salameh, Nadeen Ahmed Scaldara, Clinton Vincent Shutak, Jocelyn Dee Shynkaruk, Dennis Volodymyrovich Sierra Rey, Caroline Sloan, Michael Vance Smith, Chloe Kathleen **Ieanette**

Stansbury-Johnson, Ian Thomas Stout, Nathaniel Grady Swann, Bryson Tyler Tapp, Kaitlyn Elizabeth Tester, Mackenzie Grace Thompson, Kobi Micheal Tran, Shana Vy Travis, Natalie Dana Trofinoff, Luke Daniel Turpin, Avery Brooke Van de Riet, Virginia Hope Vantoorenburg, Trinity Amaya Vassilski, Stacy Joann Vazquez-Gonzalez, Allan Kevin Via, Andrew Neal Vieyra-Cortez, Efren Volpe, Nathan Anthony Wallner, Brett Elisabeth Wolfe, Hannah Elizabeth Zbodula, Daniel Robert



To qualify for an academic bar or letter, students must have an overall semester average of 90 & earn no semester grade less than "85." Requirements are calculated using Spring 2019 semester grades. ALL students 10th - 12th grades listed are invited to a Bar and Letter Celebration during Fourth Block on Friday 10/18. We will call theses students down to the cafeteria.





Spring 2019 11th Grade Bars and Letters Recognition

Al Hakim, Joudy Yasser Anderson, Grace Nicole Antonuccio, Angelina Mary Applegate, Zachary Robert Barnett, Jasmine Renee Blanton, Kaitlyn Elizabeth Blum, Jaxon Robert Boley, Gabriella Meizhin Brady, Olivia Brooke Brewer, Shannon Nicole Broome, Matthew David-Shane Brown, Savannah Nicole Burks, Michael Jerome Cardoso, Fabricio Loberto Carver, Terry Luis Chew, Jackson Charles Chisholm, Jacob Michael Cioppa, Maxim Christian Coleman, Kamille Jeanae Crissman, Colton Ross Curtis, Ann Marguerite Decker, Gavin Dale Dixon, Jalen Malik Dorsey, Alexa Elizabeth Eldridge, Carson Reid Emory, Stone Patrick Francis, Rosalea Elias Goodman, Madisyn Linda Graham, Emma Ann Hagerty, Gavin Porter Harold, Blake Stephen Hastings, Alexander Daniel

Class of 2021

Hatley, Nicholas Todd Henson, Daisy Gayle Heo, Heather Eunbi Hernandez, Mauro Ramon Joaquin, Ella Marie Johnson, Dorien Kaleb Johnson, Jordan Michael Jones, Samantha Grace Jordan, Malik Richard Jordan, Olivia Reese Jove, William Davis Kesner, Madeline Elizabeth Kivlan, Rachel Amanda Kramb, Caroline Adele Leadenham, Melina Taylor Ledford, Madison Grace Long, Jordyn Alisha Love, Lauren Tegan Lozada Burgos, Luis Gerardo Lucas, Erynn Mackenzie Massey, Jordyn Alexis McCollum, Alaina Rebecca McDaniel, Emma Marie McDevitt, Liam Daniel McIntosh, Savannah Marie Minakakis, Anna Maria Mincey, Calyn Faith Monago, Molly Katherine Morales, Luis Enrique Morrison, Aden Ryan Murphy, Ryan Connor Newsome, Brooke Marie Nguyen, Alyssa Tran

Noyal, Aiza O'Bday, Reagan Caroline Perez-Arreola, Tania Perkins, Elijah Wyatt Pratt, Chloe Elizabeth Rochester, Brooke Alexandra Rose, William Charles Rowland, Isabella Grace Sadler, Jenna Adrianne Scruse, Mya Jenise Seiden, Brianna Leigh Shakhtour, Yusef Feras Shelley, Brynn Olivia Snead, Trace Richard Thompson, Cameron Austin Torres, Boris Daniel Tran, Cynthia Ngoc Turizo, Garrett J Valliere, Sheila Kay Vaughan, John Hamilton Villafana, Ashley Nicole Walker, Kylie Alyssa Williams, Hannah Olivia Yandle, Dalton Zane Yevchik, Diana Martha



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Spring 2019 12th Grade Bars and Letters Recognition

Class of 2020

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Hernandez Sandoval, Ricardo Honc, Cade Allan Honeycutt, Kellie Suzanne Hoover, Peyton Skylar Horstkamp, Nicholas Braedon Huneycutt, Daniel Reece Joyner, Edward Melvin King, Addison Leigh Laney, Nathaniel William Lewis, Spencer Thomas Lopez Rincon, Edwin Lucarelli, Lily Anna Lynch, Erin Marie Mara, Richard Michael Maximus Marano, Jamison Grace McMackin, Sam Charles McNair, Anthony Joseph Meadows, Blake Harrison Morris, Hunter Blake Moser-Perez, Samuel David Olaleye, Victoria Olade Outlaw, Alyssa Delanie Owens, Austin Peter Parker, Madisen Lee Parrish, Ashley Victoria Patterson, Ashton Nicole Pferschy, Aylha Rhiannon Pham, Cat Ninh Proctor, Camryn Elizabeth Quintero Au, Rebecca Valentina Riabtseva, Victoria Rottger, Vincent Mark

Schooler, Jared Michael Schulte-Hinnerichs, Megan Brianna Seiden, Joeseph Michael Seymour, Hailey Ann Sierra Rey, Valeria Smith, Alexia Sonya Smith, Connor Andrew Stavish, Matthew Joseph Steele, Zaria Lanay Strawderman, Anna Elizabeth Taylor, Emma Elizabeth Tha, Khai Hmo Thomas, Brennan Jacoby Thompson, Kate Sterling Tran, Kimberly Ngan Trofinoff, Cameron David Tucker, Elijah Lee Tucker, Noah Hughes Tufano, Olivia Eleanor Turley, Wesley Matthew Vancleave, Joshua Alan Vargas, Katherine Paige Vassilski, Vivian Elizabeth Vergara Tapia, Kenny Saul Weinstein, Jared Ryan Wilkinson, Jordan Taylor Williams, Trevor Neil Wilson, Emily Rose Wolfe, Kevin John Wright, Jordan Michelle



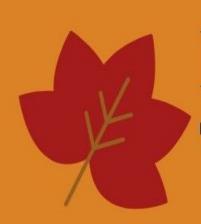
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Fall Festival

Tuesday, October 29th

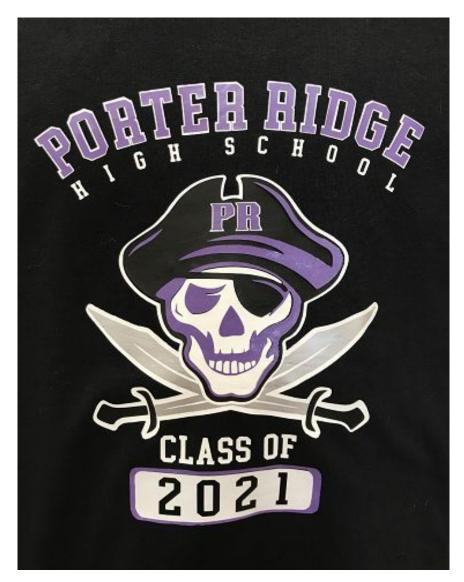


5:30-7:30pm in F and G hall

Join us for fun, costumes, games, prizes and more!

All PRHS cluster elementary students are invited!





Class T-Shirts are available to order through the PTO! T-shirts are \$20.00 each! Order below!

PTO T-SHIRT ORDER FORMS



Winter Sports Tryout Info



PRHS 2019 Winter Athletics Tryout Info

To try out for a Winter Sport, you must get a TRYOUT TICKET from the Athletic

Director BEFORE THE TRYOUT DATE AND TIME.

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 2019-2020 UCPS Eligibility Packet to the Athletic Director.
 Note: If you had a Novant physical on June 1, 2019 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. All rising 9th graders will need to submit a physical. Physicals are not transferred over from the middle school.
- FamilyID registration must be approved by the athletic director.
- IF you tried out or are playing on a Fall Sports team, you must still get a Winter Tryout Ticket, but you DO NOT need to register again.

TRYOUT TICKET Dates:

Tryout tickets will be given out on the following dates during ALL LUNCHES. Parents or guardians must pre-register online. Athletes cannot register themselves.

Thursday October 24 Monday October 28 Tuesday October 29

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



Winter Tryout Dates

Men's Basketball - Tryout by grade level

Questions email Coach Malone Garrett.Malone@ucps.k12.nc.us

9th and 10th Graders -

Wednesday October 30 3:00 - 5:00 Main Gym Thursday October 31 3:00 - 4:30 Main Gym

11th and 12th Graders -

Wednesday October 30 5:30 - 7:00 Aux Gym Thursday October 31 5:30 - 7:00 Aux Gym

Women's Basketball - All grades tryout together

Questions email Coach James <u>alouallen@yahoo.com</u>

Wednesday October 30 5:00 - 6:30 Main Gym Thursday October 31 4:30 - 5:45 Main Gym

Wrestling - All grades tryout together

Questions email Coach Durbin randy.durbin@ucps.k12.nc.us

Wednesday October 30 3:00 - 5:30 Aux Gym Thursday October 31 3:00 - 5:30 Aux Gym

Winter Tack - All grades tryout together

Questions email Coach White Tondra. White@ucps.k12.nc.us

November 5 and 6 3:00 - 5:00 Track

Winter Cheer - All grades tryout together

Questions email Coach Chopelas <u>porterridgecheer@gmail.com</u>
October 28 and 29 Tryout Workouts 3:30 - 5:30 Cafeteria

Tryouts October 30 6:30 - 8:30 Main Gym

Men's and Women's Swim - All grades tryout together

Questions email Coach Mac <u>coachbrendamac@gmail.com</u>

Swim Workouts

Dryland at PRHS weightroom October 14 and 16 4:30 - 6:00

Pool Workouts Monroe Aquatic Center

Monday October 21 6:00pm - 7:00 pm

Wednesday October 23 6:00pm - 7:15 pm

Friday October 25 6:15 pm - 7:30 pm

Monday October 28 6:00pm - 7:00 pm

Tryouts

Wednesday October 30 6:00pm - 7:15 pm



Athletics Schedule

Full Season Schedules can be found here!

This Week's Sports Schedules!

Volleyball

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Varsity Football

10/18	Friday	Garinger	Away	7:00
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Soccer

10/18	Friday	CATA	Away	6:30	7:30
10/21	Monday	Garinger	Home		5:30
10/23	Wednesday	Rocky River	Away		6:00

Cross Country

10/22/19	Tuesday	4A Southwest Conference	Frank Liske Park	4pm
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Field Hockey

10/17/2019	Thursday	PHS- JV	Matthews Sportsplex	Field 1	4:30 PM
10/19/2019	Saturday	JV Pride Tournament	Matthews Sportsplex	Fields 5-9	9:00 AM



Check IT OUT!



FFA'S fall meeting at "Aw shucks" with Parkwood FFA.



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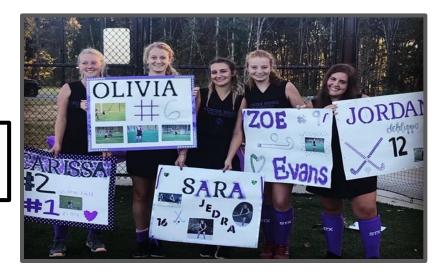


XC Medalists Jacob Laney, Dominic Conroy, Caroline Fagan, Tori Zeemer) and 2nd Place Girls Team at the Cuthbertson Meet!



Being Proactive in advisory and setting proactivity goals to monitor throughout the semester.

Congrats to our Field Hockey Seniors for an outstanding season! Carissa, Olivia, Zoe, Sara, and Jordan! Congrats!



Check IT OUT!







NHS Leaders at the induction ceremony!

PRHS Golf Seniors Mackenzie Toth and Addison King celebrating on Golf Senior Night!



PRHS Volleyball Seniors Tyler , Reilly and Coach Welch celebrating Senior Night!



Pirate Tennis wins 1st Round State Duals vs. South Caldwell 5-2. Coach McQueens 1st Women's Tennis playoff victory!





Next week is College Application Week!

NHS New Inductees!



Announcements

Next week is College Application Week. Seniors can apply to many NC colleges for free during October 21st-25th through CFNC.org. A list of participating colleges is on the school counseling website. Seniors can sign up to get help from the counselors during this week at the following link: https://forms.gle/sWVEDEDQWKAWWSH8A.

The Fall Blood Drive will be held on October 30th. If you are wanting to donate scan the QR code on the flyer located on each classroom door and fill out the questions! If you need a 16 year old parent consent form those are located in the front office. Make sure you bring those back to Ms. Clontz in E212 signed before the blood drive.

FBLA club members should come see Ms. Ellis in F100 to receive the morning meeting pass to attend the club meeting that will be held on Wednesday, October 23rd at 7:30am in F100.

The next Beta Club meeting for current members is Wed 10/23 @3pm or Thurs. 10/24 @7:30am. Both meetings will be held in the media center.

Attention all returning NHS members. Please make sure to post your T1 service hours no later than Oct. 18th. These will be considered late after this date.

Newly inducted members will learn about their requirements at their first NHS meeting on Oct. 24th.

Yearbooks are on sale now for \$80. Visit Jostens.com or visit Ms. Watson's room F105-C for an order form. Be sure to order before prices increase!

Senior Ads are now on sale to be featured in the yearbook. This is a great way to make your mark in this year's book! Visit Jostens.com to order of see Ms. Watson in F105-C.

Porter Ridge Athletic Boosters Club is hosting the 2nd annual Sock Trot 5K to help support PR Athletic Programs and Heart of Monroe. Wear your wackiest pair of socks and help a great cause! We are partnering with Heart for Monroe and ask that participants bring new packs of clean, warm socks as a donation for those in need.

Cost - \$20 Students, \$30 Individuals, \$100 Teacher Teams (Maximum 5 People. Only open to NC/SC Teachers, Staff and Administrators of Accredited School Systems)

Interested in learning about playing in sports in college? If so, parents should register to attend the College Recruiting for Athletes session on Thursday November 21 at Monroe High School at 6pm.

Governor's School Applicants
This is a reminder that your Governor's' School application and teacher recommendation is due to Mr. James on Friday October 18, no later than 3:00 pm.

There will be an FBLA meeting on Wednesday, October 23rd at 7:30am in room F100. Tickets for the FBLA Spooktacular drawing will be distributed at this time. If you are unable to attend, please stop by F100 to pick up your tickets.

Join us for a night of drama and comedy as Porter Ridge High School presents "The Actor's Nightmare" and "Tracks" November 1st & 2nd at 7:00 PM in Porter Ridge High School's Auditorium. Tickets are \$7

The Graphic Design Club will have a meeting after school on Wednesday, Oct 23rd in room E105C.











Wingate University Health & Wellness Fair

Wingate University Health & Wellness Fair

Saturday, Nov. 16 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Monroe Middle School 601 E. Sunset Drive

Sponsored by



Connecting families with community health resources!

FREE Services

Flu shots
Health screenings & education
Vision & oral screenings
Wellness van
Counseling

Activities & Prizes

Zumba & Yoga
Face painting
Photo booth
Raffles
Free tote bags (limited quantity)

FREE FOOD

FREE CLOTHES Shop for your family at The Closet

KID ZONE

Hosted by







For details, contact: Carolyn Ford at cford@wingate.edu



School Counseling

Follow us on Twitter: @PRHSCounseling

We welcome Ms. Michaela Boeche to our counseling department! She brings a wealth of knowledge and we are so excited for our students to begin working with her. Ms. Boeche will be serving students with last names Me-Sg. Stop by the counseling office to welcome her to the PRHS community!

Chance to win a **FREE Prom Ticket**: Seniors, submit your FAFSA confirmation page to Ms. Patterson by November 1 to be entered into a drawing for a FREE Prom ticket!

PRHS 9th-11th grade College Information Night- We will be hosting College Information Night for students in grades 9-11 on November 12 at 6:30 PM. This event will have sessions in English and Spanish, so mark your calendars for a wonderful night of information.

DAR Good Citizens Award -- Seniors, the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) Good Citizens program and scholarship contest is intended to encourage and reward the qualities of good citizenship. The senior selected as the DAR Good Citizen must have the qualities of **dependability** (which includes truthfulness, loyalty, and punctuality); **service** (which includes cooperation, courtesy, and consideration of others); **leadership** (which includes personality, self-control, and ability to assume responsibility); and **patriotism** (which includes unselfish interest in family, school, community, and nation) to an outstanding degree. As the DAR Good Citizen, the student will also be eligible to participate in the scholarship contest. If you would like to be our DAR Good Citizen for this year, **please submit this form and complete your resume in Naviance by Friday, October 25 at 3:00 PM**. If you have questions, see Ms. Carly Patterson in the counseling office. **DAR Good Citizens Application Form:**

College Application Week- Applying to college doesn't have to be scary! During the week of October 21-25, we will be meeting with seniors to help them apply to school. In order to meet with the counselors, make sure you sign up using the form listed below. On the form, you will indicate your top 3 choices, and we will do our best to accommodate your requests. Some NC Colleges will waive their fees this week, and the link to those schools is listed below. Please see your counselor with any questions. Sign up here: Colleges Waiving Application Fee:

National Bullying Prevention Month -- October is National Bullying Prevention month. Every day thousands of young people experience bullying from their peers while at school, after school in their neighborhoods, and even when they are at home, through social media and texts. There are many ways to support bullying prevention as an individual or with friends and family, and within your school or community. If you see something, say something. If you are experiencing bullying or if you know someone who is, tell a teacher, counselor, administrator, or trusted adult.

Seniors, check your emails for important information about scholarships and deadlines. Check out our **October Scholarship Newsletter** and look on the PRHS School Counseling Scholarship webpage for more information as well. https://docs.google.com/document/d/1UNNtzoYhOk jEC5p0HVJwCY b25Y-Ok7MxuAWhJ1juY/edit?usp=sharing

Do you like to help people? Are you the kind of person who likes to craft, make, tinker and break things? Have you been wondering if engineering might be for you, but you're not sure? Do you like spooky things? We've got the perfect immersive event for you Oct. 25-26: **Explore Engineering, an overnight event for high school girls at Sweet Briar College**. Participants will work in teams with engineering professors and students to imagine and bring to life a <u>computer-controlled, interactive Halloween device</u>. The event is hands-on, stresses teamwork and creativity, and is **perfect for both experienced students and newbies to engineering**. Sound eerily up your alley?

Get more information and register

Prospective candidates who plan to major in a STEM or education discipline at NC State and reside in a North Carolina household with a pre-tax annual gross income (AGI) of less than \$110,000 are eligible to potentially receive an invitation to apply to the **Goodnight Scholars Program's Class of 2024**. Click the here below to learn about additional requirements and important deadlines for the Class of 2024 application process.



School Counseling Information

Upcoming SAT and ACT dates

SAT

November 2

December 7 (register by November 8)

ACT

October 26

December 14 (register by November 8)

Major Scholarships

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. The applications are now available and accessible through Pirate Press, the school counseling webpage, and senior emails.

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.

Davidson College-Belk Scholarship Apply here DUE October 17, 2019

University of Virginia- Jefferson Scholarship Apply here DUE November 14, 2019

Colleges Visiting PRHS-- Seniors and Juniors may sign up to attend the presentation to colleges they are interested in learning more about. Students must sign up at least 2 days prior to the visit through your Naviance Student account.

- Log in to your my.ncedcloud.org account
- 2. Click on "C" for Clever
- Click on Naviance
- Select "Colleges"
- Select "upcoming visits"
- 6. Click the "Sign Up" button for the chosen schools.

FAFSA for the 2020-2021 school year is now open! Begin filling out your applications as soon as possible to make sure you receive needed financial aid to pay for school. Please see your counselor if you have questions.

Financial Aid Upcoming Dates

SPCC FAFSA Day—October 26, 2019 Looking for information about the college application and scholarship process? Check out the **UCPS College Readiness page**. They are hosting a Paying for College information event on October 14, 2019. Find more information on the website.https://www.ucps.k12.nc.us/Page/6376

Students, you are invited to the **African-American Prospective Program (2APP)** on Monday, October 21, 2019. This free event gives select students a first-hand view of Appalachian. "Students will experience our beautiful location, learn about our strong academic programs and merit scholarships, and explore campus resources and organizations for diverse students. While on campus, they'll have the opportunity to engage with faculty, meet current students and apply for admission at no cost! They'll also hear about a special orientation program designed to give students the opportunity to become leaders on Appalachian's campus and within the Multicultural Student Development office." Registration link:

The **Latin Americans Working for Achievement (LAWA) Program** is inviting parents and students to attend bilingual workshops which include information on high school graduation, college readiness, higher education institutions, college application process, financial aid process and opportunities, bachelor and associate degrees, and trade and vocational program. More information about these opportunities can be found here: https://www.lawanc.org/high-school-series

PRHS families have been given an opportunity to support families in need with weekend food bags. This program is sponsored by "Food for Families" and is provided at no cost to you. The food bags will be given to your student on Friday afternoons to take home for the weekend. If you would like to benefit from this program, please contact your child's school counselor, Mr. James to sign up.



PRHS Careers

Information from our CTE Department.



The Career Readiness Department (Career & Technical Education) is looking for feedback to complete a Comprehensive Local Needs Assessment.

The information collected from this anonymous survey will be used to help guide future UCPS Career and Technical Education (CTE) decisions and improvements.

There are three ways to fill out the survey:

- 1. Look for an email from Survey Monkey and follow its instructions
- 2. Go to https://bit.ly/CTE_CLNA



Scan QR code with your smartphone.





Pirate Ports of Information



Ports of Information for Pirates:

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