



# Pirate Press

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Dear Pirate Family,

We honored our **AP Capstone students who graduated last year who earned the AP Capstone Certificate or Diploma** at a ceremony during school today. Thank you to our Alumni who returned and shared their experiences with our students!

**The school office will be closed to the public after this Friday, December 16 and reopen on Tuesday January 3, due to the winter break.**

Please remember two major things as we wind down the semester. 1. **Student Grades:** Students have 50% of their semester long grade left to earn with the third six weeks and final exams. 2. **Student Attendance:** Students have had the opportunity to recover unexcused absences during Pirate Recovery since October. Students may not receive credit for a class if they have more than 7 unexcused absences. Students and parents were notified this week about recovery. [Please click here for information about Attendance Recovery.](#) **Notes for an excused absence must be turned in within five days of absence.** As of right now students can stay after school on Mon. Tues. and Weds. from 3:10 to 4:10 in the media center to recover absences.. **Final Exam** information will come out in the following weeks.

Students are reminded to continue to check the **Student Canvas 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.



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# PIRATE RECOVERY



Mon, Tues,  
Weds: 3:10-4:10  
PM, Media  
Center

Recover  
Unexcused  
Absences!

Tutoring for  
students who  
want help!

Time to  
Complete  
Homework  
and Projects

Unit or Credit  
Recovery  
COMING  
SOON!

Math,  
Social  
Studies,  
Science,  
and  
English  
Teachers  
on site

## PRHS PIRATE RECOVERY



Students will have the opportunity to stay after school  
Mon-Tues-Wed for the following:

### ABSENCE RECOVERY

STUDENTS SHOULD RECOVER ABSENCES MISSED EACH WEEK. THIS WILL SUPPORT STUDENTS TO MASTER MATERIAL CLOSE TO THE ABSENCE AND PROVIDE REINFORCEMENT ON THE IMPORTANCE OF BEING AT SCHOOL. ALL ATTENDANCE AND RECOVERY LIMITS STILL APPLY.

### TUTORING

STUDENTS WHO NEED HELP WITH SPECIFIC CONTENT WILL HAVE ACCESS TO TEACHER SUPPORT AFTER SCHOOL. PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL TEACHERS WILL CONTINUE TO OFFER DEDICATED OFFICE HOURS THAT ARE POSTED ON THEIR CANVAS HOMEPAGE

### HOMEWORK HELP

STUDENTS WILL HAVE A DEDICATED SPACE TO DO THEIR HOMEWORK AND RECEIVE HELP IF NEEDED. STUDENTS ARE ALSO WELCOME TO STAY TO HAVE A PROJECT OR STUDY GROUP SPACE.

### CREDIT RECOVERY

IS FOR SPECIFIC STUDENTS ONLY. THEY WILL BE NOTIFIED BY THEIR COUNSELOR.

### REMINDERS:

- Students in credit & absence recovery are **REQUIRED** to stay from 3:10-4:10. Students present for tutoring, homework help, a project, or study group should arrive at 3:10 but are welcome to leave as they finish.
- Students must be actively working on schoolwork.





# ACADEMICS, LEADERSHIP, STUDENT LIFE & ADVISORY



Today, we honored our students who scored a **silver, gold, or platinum** on the **CTE WorkKeys** testing with a breakfast! Thank you students! We appreciate your hard work!

Interested in being an **English Language Learner Peer Tutor**? Reach out to your counselor if you are interested! One of our current tutors shared his experience with us:

It was a great experience to be able to help English learners because I was once in their place. The little girl I got the pleasure to meet made me think of when I was learning and I felt like I could give her the extra help that I needed when I was learning English, she was sweet, funny, and really easy to talk to. helping others with things that you went through as well in the past makes you feel better, and it doesn't only help the student but also helps me as a person.



We can't forget to post the Cookie Decorating Contest winners this week!!! Pirates are having a great holiday send off week!!!

Our theatre students presented **Pirate Skits for Kids**



Stuco is hosted a **game night** at PRHS! Smash Bros, Mario Kart, Just Dance, and more! Plus, pizza, snacks, and board games!



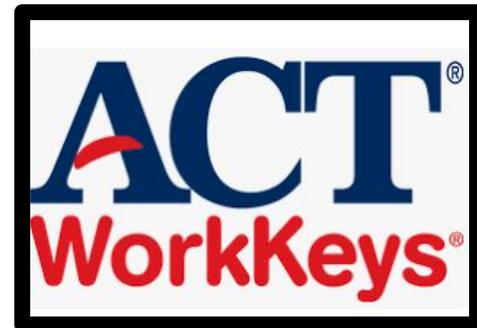
# WORKKEYS ACCOLADES



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING SENIORS THAT EARNED A SILVER, GOLD, OR PLATINUM ON THE WORKKEYS ASSESSMENT THEY TOOK THIS PAST MONDAY. THESE STUDENTS WILL BE HONORED WITH A BREAKFAST AT SCHOOL NEXT WEEK! INVITATIONS WILL GO OUT ON MONDAY 12/12! THANK YOU!

Farah Al-Dulaimi  
Cora Antweiler  
AdenBeatty  
Lucas Best  
Andrew Borke  
Riley Campbell  
Julio Casillas-Gutierrez  
Abigail Chew  
Tiffany Cho  
Jacob Cresswell  
Colin Crissman  
Juliet Cukro  
Cadence Erckman  
Benjamin Esarove  
Dominic Figueroa  
India Franklin  
Allison Greenwalt  
Jane Harris  
Christian Hasty  
Jason Hertz  
Kayla Hoover  
Brayden Hunt  
Landon Jewett  
Kyra Jordan  
Jonah Karkow  
Connor Kelly  
Logan Kesner  
Isabel Kielkowicz

Katherine Kivlan  
Kennady Lalley  
Candace Leovao  
Anthony Machold  
Anthony Manzo-Trinidad  
Aronoel Matthews  
Sean McDevitt  
Jada McDougald  
Brody Melvin  
Sabrina Mitchell  
Garrett Nichols  
Priyansu Panda  
Nadezda Ponomarenko  
Savannah Pressley  
Sarah Ritter  
Jacob Ross  
Jacob Ruggiero  
Ximena Salinas-Ayala  
Reagan Sanborn  
Justin Shumaker  
Evelyn Taylor  
Quang Tran  
Caleb Triplett  
Nikolas Turner  
Russell Vaughan  
Sage Walters





# STUDENT LIFE ANNOUNCEMENTS



- ❖ Congratulations to Maria Sanchez, Terry Younts, and Kade Andres for placing at this past Weekend's **Speech and Debate tournament**. Maria got 6th place in Impromptu Speaking, Terry got 5th place in Children's Literature, and earned his degree of Merit. Kade was the runner up and 2nd place winner in JV Lincoln Douglass Debate, and reached his degree of Honor. Again Congrats to all 3 of you.
- ❖ **The Ridge Rowdies' Cookie Wars** decorating contest was fantastic on Monday. We'd like to congratulate our winners. In third place, we have the Ginger Snaps (Josephine Joaquin, Sage Walters, & Campbell Fagan). In second place we have Team LYB (Leilany Basilio-Rangel, Yanina Loza-Navarrete, & Brisa Barajas). And our grand champions are The Grinch Gang (Sarah Ritter & Desire Harper). Congratulations on all who competed!
- ❖ Good afternoon pirates! Student Council is excited to announce this year's **door decorating competition winners!** First, we would like to thank everyone for their hard work and participation, however, some doors stood out! In third place we have Mr. Ruhland's class who scored 13.9 out of 16 points on their amazing candyland themed door! In second place we have Mr. Drake's class with 14.6 out of 16 points for their nostalgic Charlie Brown door. And in first, narrowly winning with 14.7 out of 16 points, we have Mrs. Baucom's class and their beautifully detailed landscape of the Northern Lights! We would also like to make a special mention to Mr. William's class, Mrs. Clontz's class, Mrs. Nardell's class, and Ms. Loken's class for their exceptional doors! Congratulations to all of our winners! S
- ❖ Student Council would like to give a special shout out to the **winners of this years Game Night tournaments**.
  - Congratulations to Kobie Vilaiphone for winning the Super Smash bros tournament!, Caleb Canipe for winning the Mario Kart tournament!, Cree Hough for winning the NBA2K tournament, and And Samantha Westley and Olivia Gonzalez for winning the Just Dance Tournament!
- ❖ Attention Pirates! Due to inclement weather tonight, the **Boneyard Bonfire has been postponed to January 11th**. We hope to see you there to kick off the New Year!
- ❖ Buy your yearbooks at [yearbookforever.com](http://yearbookforever.com)
- ❖ Attention world travelers! **If you'd like to travel to Quebec and Montreal**, Canada June 19-23rd, look for posters at the end of each hall or near the guidance office. Scan the QR code for more details and sign up in the portal to show interest--no money due at this time! Contact Ms. Heather Myers for your application!
- ❖ Congratulations to Madison Lowe for being voted Vice President of Skills USA Criminal Justice division, Ben Gushee voted Vice President of Skills USA Automotive division and Julia Matlack for being voted Skills USA Parliamentarian of the chapter. Thanks to everyone who came out, we are looking forward to what lies ahead. Please contact Mr. Webb in A103 or Mr. Raynor in G109 if you are interested or have any questions about **Skills USA**.



# PIRATE PTO PAGE



A HUGE THANK YOU THE THE PR PTO FOR PROVIDING DESSERTS FOR OUR FACULTY AND STAFF THIS WEEK AT THE HOLIDAY LUNCHEON AND GIFT GIVING!

## Support PRHS with AmazonSmile

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### Turn on AmazonSmile in the Amazon App to Generate Donations

Shopping on Amazon can directly support the PRHS PTO and is now even easier through the Amazon App. Follow the 3 SIMPLE STEPS below and a portion of all your Amazon purchases directly benefit our PTO.

- 1.** Open the Amazon App and click on the menu in the upper left hand corner.
- 2.** Scroll down to "Turn on AmazonSmile in the Amazon App."
- 3.** Select "Porter Ridge High School PTO" and you are all set!



# WINTER SPIRIT



## Winter Wonderland '22

12/16 Free Hot Chocolate 7:40 A.M. & Lip Sync Battle 4th Block

12/12

Mismatch Monday



12/13

Celebrity Tuesday



Game Night  
4 - 7 P.M.

12/14

Wacky Sweater Wednesday



Boneyard Bonfire 5:30 - 7:45 P.M.

12/15

Spies vs. Aliens



12/16

'Twas the Night Before Break



STUDENT COUNCIL PRESENTS

# BONEYARD BONFIRE

Food, Drinks, Smores all Provided!

Onesie competition, Trivia, and Karaoke!

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11**

**5:30-7:45**

Porter Ridge High School, Stadium Circle



# PIRATE ATHLETICS



For more information about PRHS Athletics  
click [HERE](#)

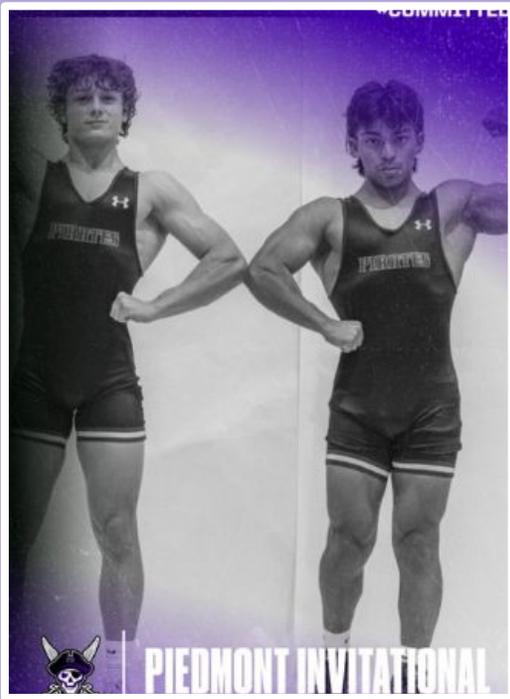
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SCHEDULES

[BOYS BASKETBALL](#)  
[GIRLS BASKETBALL](#)  
[WRESTLING](#)  
[SWIMMING](#)  
[INDOOR TRACK](#)

[CLICK HERE FOR](#)

[HOME EVENT TICKETS](#)

[All tickets are sold on this website  
or at the GATE by credit/debit card.](#)





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click [HERE](#)



## PORTER RIDGE ATHLETICS

DEC 19 - DEC 24

**19**  
MONDAY

**20**  
TUESDAY

**21**  
WEDNESDAY

**22**  
THURSDAY

**23**  
FRIDAY

**24**  
SATURDAY

No Events

-Wrestling vs  
Ardrey Kell/ Metrolina  
@Porter Ridge 6:00

No Events

-Womens Wrestling/  
JV Invitational  
@Mallard Creek TBA

-Wrestling:  
Varsity  
Invitational  
@Mallard Creek

No Events



### RESULTS FROM THIS PAST WEEK

BASKETBALL	JV GIRLS	JV BOYS	V GIRLS	V BOYS
12/9 VS CARMEL			W 71-46	L 42-82
12/13 VS OLYMPIC		W 48-41	W 64-42	L 63-80
TRACK	GIRLS	BOYS		
SWIM	GIRLS	BOYS		
12/9 VS PIEDMONT	W	W		
12/9 VS MARVIN	L	L		
12/13 COUNTY MEET	6TH	6TH		
WRESTLING				
12/8 vs SV/WS	WIN/WIN			
12/10 PIEDMONT INV	3RD OUT OF 14			
12/13 @ MC/WM/NM TRI	WIN/WIN/WIN			



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## THE WEEK IN PIRATE ATHLETICS

DECEMBER 26 - DECEMBER 31

# 25

SUNDAY

NO EVENTS

# 26

MONDAY

NO EVENTS

# 27

TUESDAY

NO EVENTS

# 28

WEDNESDAY

+MBB :  
CHESTERFIELD  
CHRISTMAS TOURNEY  
TBA

+WBB - CATAWBA  
RIDGE CHRISTMAS  
TOURNEY TBA

# 29

THURSDAY

+WRESTLING -  
HOLY ANGELS  
INVITATIONAL  
@ GREENSBORO  
COLISEUM

+MBB :  
CHESTERFIELD  
CHRISTMAS TOURNEY  
TBA

+WBB - CATAWBA  
RIDGE CHRISTMAS  
TOURNEY TBA

# 30

FRIDAY

+WRESTLING -  
HOLY ANGELS  
INVITATIONAL  
@ GREENSBORO  
COLISEUM

+MBB :  
CHESTERFIELD  
CHRISTMAS TOURNEY  
TBA

+WBB - CATAWBA  
RIDGE CHRISTMAS  
TOURNEY TBA

# 31

SATURDAY

NO EVENTS



## PIRATE ATHLETICS

### JANUARY 1 - JANUARY 7



SUNDAY

No Events

Monday

No Events

TUESDAY

*Mens Basketball  
vs Marvin Ridge  
JV- 5:00pm  
Varsity- 7:30pm*

*Womens Basketball  
vs Marvin Ridge  
JV- 4:00pm  
Varsity- 6:00pm*

WEDNESDAY

Indoor Track  
@ Porter Ridge  
4:00 pm

Mens Basketball:  
@ Monroe  
JV- 5:00 pm  
Varsity- 6:30pm

Womens Basketball:  
@Monroe  
JV-4:00pm  
Varsity- 6:00pm

THURSDAY

Wrestling  
vs Weddington (H)  
6:00pm

Swim :  
ALL COUNTY  
@Rock Hill  
1:00pm

FRIDAY

Mens Basketball  
@ Cuthbertson  
JV- 5:00pm  
Varsity-7:30pm

Womens Basketball  
@ Cuthbertson  
JV-4 :00pm  
Varsity- 6:00pm

Indoor Track  
@JDL Fast Track  
4:00pm

SATURDAY

Wrestling -  
Pirate Duals  
@ Porter Ridge  
9:30 am

#WEEKPR



# COUNSELING CENTER



## Who is your counselor?

**Ashley Lawson**- last names A-Cou  
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[tanisha.anderson@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:tanisha.anderson@ucps.k12.nc.us)

**Bryan James** – last names Hel-Mc  
[bryan.james@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:bryan.james@ucps.k12.nc.us)

**Cassidy Jarrett**- last names Me-San  
[cassidy.lippert@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:cassidy.lippert@ucps.k12.nc.us)

**Alexandra Green**- last names Sap-Z  
[alexandra.green@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto: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.

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Follow us on:  [prhscounseling](https://www.instagram.com/prhscounseling)

Applications for Virginia Tech's 7th annual Black College Institute (BCI) are now live! This opportunity is for current sophomores and juniors and will take place in person this summer at Virginia Tech. Click the links below to learn more and apply!

[Rising Juniors apply here](#)

[Rising Seniors apply here](#)



Interested in being an English Language Learner Peer Tutor? Read about one student's experience below:

It was a great experience to be able to help English learners because I was once in their place. The little girl I got the pleasure to meet made me think of when I was learning and I felt like I could give her the extra help that I needed when I was learning English, she was sweet, funny, and really easy to talk to. Helping others with things that you went through as well in the past makes you feel better, and it doesn't only help the student but also helps me as a person.



# SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

2023

Application Cycle  
Now Open

FFTC has over \$2 Million  
available for  
scholarships from more  
than 150 Funds

Submit your  
application by  
**March 3, 2023**

**FOUNDATION FOR  
THE CAROLINAS**



The Foundation offers a wide range of scholarship opportunities for graduating high school seniors and current college students.

Scholarships ranging from \$500 to \$10,000. Scholarships are paid directly to the recipient's school and may be designated for tuition, required fees, books, and supplies.

Apply online at

**[www.fftc.org/scholarships](http://www.fftc.org/scholarships)**

For more information, please contact

[scholars@fftc.org](mailto:scholars@fftc.org)



# CLASS OF 2023 & COLLEGE ADVISER



**Porter Ridge Schedule:** Mondays, Tuesdays, and alternating Fridays

- As you receive answers, please make sure to update Scoir with the outcomes!
- **As you receive scholarship offers, please take a picture or screenshot of the offer and either email it to me or DM it to the @Pirates2College Instagram page.**

## LAWA High School Events

Free bilingual information session on how to prepare, plan and pay for postsecondary education. [Register here!](#)

## Important Links

[College Advising Website](#)

[Calendly for Meetings](#)

Instagram: @Pirates2College

[Calendar for Events and Deadlines](#)

## Scholarship Search Sites

- [Going Merry](#)
- [Raise Me](#)
- [Bold.org](#)
- [UCPS](#)
- [CFNC](#)
- [Niche](#)
- [College Board](#)
- [Tuition Funding Source](#)

**Scholarship Available**

Are you a Dreamer with hopes of going to college, but in need of financial aid? TheDreamdotUS was established to make those dreams possible.

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1896



# SCHOLARSHIPS

As you learn about scholarships you've received, [please fill out this form](#) or send me a picture of the letter!

## DAR Scholarships

The DAR offers too many scholarships to list them individually, so be sure to check them out [HERE](#)! You do not need to be a member of the DAR to qualify and apply.

## NC Teaching Fellows

If you are interested in being a teacher in NC, especially one in STEM or Special Ed, then this is a great program for you! Apply through [this link](#). You can receive over \$4,000 each semester. Application is due 1/9/23.

## Arthur M. & Berdena King Eagle Scouts Scholarship

\$10,000 (15 available) | Due 12/31

Eligibility:

- Be an Eagle Scout between the ages of 13 and 18
- Compete at the local chapter level prior to competing at the national level

[CLICK HERE](#) to apply!

## Jackie Robinson Foundation Scholarship

\$30,000 | January 11th

A multi-faceted experience designed to not only address the financial needs of students who aspire to attend college but to guide them through the process of higher education. [Click HERE](#) to learn more and apply.

## Women's Transportation Seminar (WTS) Scholarships

Due: 12/28

- Open to women with a GPA of 3.0 or higher
- Enrolled/intend to enroll in a transportation-related degree program
- Plans to pursue a career in a transportation-related field.

## Power of Resilience Scholarship

\$1,000 | Due: 12/31

Submit an essay discussing a serious life challenge you encountered and how you overcame them.

Applications can be found by

[CLICKING HERE](#)



# UPCS PARENT RESOURCES & SAT/ACT PREP



Join PRHS ACT Prep  
Go to the Albert App on your Student  
StartUp page to join the class!

**X47XHX8YU4C5**

Don't miss out on the chance to use the above  
code to improve your ACT scores!

Students:

1. Visit "[www.albert.io/classes](http://www.albert.io/classes)".
2. Click "Join Class" and enter the code  
above.

Join PRHS SAT Prep

Go to the Albert App on your Student  
StartUp page to join the class!

**5N86BRCPA796**

Don't miss out on the opportunity to use  
the above code to improve your SAT scores

Students:

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above.

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UNION COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS



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**PARENT**  
EDUCATION SERIES

UCPS is offering four workshops to help parents with resources and tools to navigate tough situations. All parents are invited and encouraged to attend one or all of the following sessions.

### VAPING

Oct. 27, 2022 at 6:30-7:30 p.m. - Monroe High

This presentation will review types of e-cigarettes (e-cigs, vapes), how to identify the different shapes and sizes of e-cigs, how to identify the use of e-cigs in teens, the epidemic use of e-cigs in teens and harmful effects, and how to prevent use and get help/support for teens who are using e-cigs.

PRESENTERS: Dr. Carolyn Ford and Erica High

### FAMILY WELLNESS

Jan. 19, 2023 at 6:30-7:30 p.m. - Porter Ridge High

How much is too much! Learn healthy ways of eating and all the benefits. Understand portion control. Participants will learn how much physical activity is needed to live a happier and healthier life

PRESENTER: Tracey Leitner

### SUICIDE AWARENESS

Feb. 16, 2023 at 6:30-7:30 p.m. - Sun Valley High

Participants will learn about terminology related to suicidal activity, prevalence, risk factors, characteristics and warning signs. They will also receive information about community resources.

PRESENTERS: Belle Walker and Susan Slattery-Rogers

### ANXIETY AND STRATEGIES

March 9, 2023 at 6:30-7:30 p.m. - Sun Valley High

Trent Morrow, from L&B Counseling, will present "The Anxiety Trap." It's human to experience fear, self-doubt and confusion. In the right dose these feelings can be helpful—they keep us vigilant, engaged, and productive. However, sometimes anxiety can act as a trap when it begins to overburden our brains and undermine the way we and our kids perform. Trent will discuss how to break free from this kind of anxiety and discuss the strategies that can put us all in charge instead of the anxiety.

PRESENTER: Trent Morrow

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ESCUELAS PUBLICAS DEL CONDADO UNION  
**PADRES**  
EDUCACION PARA

UCPS ofrece cuatro talleres para ayudar a los padres con recursos y herramientas para navegar situaciones difíciles. Los padres están invitados a asistir a una o a todas las sesiones.

### VAPING

Oct. 27, 2022 a las 6:30-7:30 p.m. - Secundaria Monroe

Esta presentación revisará los tipos de cigarrillos electrónicos (e-cigs, vapes), cómo identificar sus diferentes formas y tamaños, cómo identificar el uso de e-cigs en adolescentes, uso epidémico de e-cigs en adolescentes y los efectos nocivos, cómo prevenir el uso y obtener ayuda para los adolescentes que usan cigarrillos electrónicos.

PRESENTADORES: Dr. Carolyn Ford y Erica High

### BIENESTAR FAMILIAR

Jan. 19, 2023 a las 6:30-7:30 p.m. - Secundaria Porter Ridge

¿Cuánto es demasiado! Aprende formas saludables de comer y todos sus beneficios. Entiende el control de porciones. Los participantes aprenderán cuánta actividad física se necesita para vivir una vida más feliz y saludable.

PRESENTADOR: Tracey Leitner

### CONCIENTIZACION SOBRE EL SUICIDIO

Feb. 16, 2023 a las 6:30-7:30 p.m. - Secundaria Sun Valle

Los participantes aprenderán sobre la terminología relacionada con la actividad suicida, incidencia, factores de riesgo, características y señales de advertencia. También recibirán información sobre los recursos de la comunidad.

PRESENTADORES: Belle Walker y Susan Slattery-Rogers

### ANSIEDAD Y ESTRATEGIAS

March 9, 2023 a las 6:30-7:30 p.m. - Secundaria Sun Valley

Trent Morrow, de L&B Counseling, presentará "La trampa de la Ansiedad". Es humano experimentar miedo, dudas y confusión. En la dosis correcta, estos sentimientos pueden ser útiles: nos mantienen vigilantes, comprometidos y productivos. Sin embargo, a veces la ansiedad puede actuar como una trampa cuando comienza a sobrecargar nuestros cerebros y a minar la forma en la que nuestros hijos y nosotros nos desempeñamos. Trent hablará de cómo liberarse de este tipo de ansiedad y de las estrategias que nos pueden poner a cargo en lugar de la ansiedad.

PRESENTADOR: Trent Morrow

MANTENTE CONECTADO [www.ucps.k12.nc.us](http://www.ucps.k12.nc.us)



# CAREER & COLLEGE PROMISE, ASVAB, JOB OPPORTUNITIES



## SPCC CAREER AND COLLEGE PROMISE INFORMATION SESSION

*Join us for an information session about Career and College Promise (CCP) program at SPCC.*

### Topics covered:

- Pathways
- Eligibility
- Steps to Enrollment
- Career Coach vs. High School Counselor
- SPCC Technology
- Course Load
- Course Instructional Formats
- Accommodations
- Benefits of CCP
- and more

**DATES**  
 August 23, 2022  
 September 13, 2022  
 October 11, 2022  
 November 8, 2022  
 January 17, 2023  
 February 14, 2023  
 March 14, 2023  
 April 11, 2023

All info sessions begin at 6 PM.  
(Virtual Microsoft Teams Sessions)

### HOW TO ATTEND?

Simply click the link below to join:  
**Microsoft Teams meeting**  
Join on your computer or mobile app  
[CLICK HERE](#)

### CONTACT INFO

For more information, please contact Secondary Education Partnerships at [sep@spcc.edu](mailto:sep@spcc.edu) or 704.290.5090



**WENDY'S IS OPENING UP A NEW RESTAURANT IN THE SUN VALLEY AREA AND THEY ARE LOOKING FOR ABOUT 10 HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS TO FILL OPEN POSITION. TO APPLY TEXT WEN83 TO 25000. STARTING PAY IS BETWEEN \$12-13 PER HOUR.**

## UNC Charlotte STEM Pre-College Program

The University of North Carolina at Charlotte STEM Pre-College program has opened registration for their program. The program is for students that are pursuing mathematics, science, and engineering majors and careers. Students in grades 6-12 with interests in math and science are encouraged to apply. Registration is open until January 30, 2023. To learn more about the program and for registration information, please visit <https://cstem.charlotte.edu/pk-20-students/stem-pre-college-program>.



# ISSUES WITH CHROMEBOOKS, MAJOR CLARITY & CANVAS PARENT & POWER SCHOOL



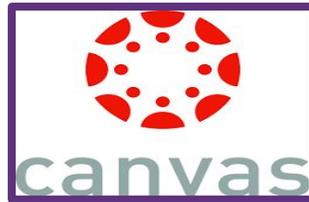
PowerSchool Parent Portal to keep up with attendance and grades.

[Click here](#) for information.



Parents Be a Canvas Observer

[Click here](#) for instructions



## “Major Clarity”

UCPS continues to utilize a program called Major Clarity for career resources. All Porter Ridge High School students have a Major Clarity account and they can access it by going to the UCPS High School Student Start Up page and click on their NCEdCloud IAM Clever title to login in. Students will then click on the Clever tile. Click on Student & Teacher Log in with NCEdCloud and scroll down until they see More apps and select the Major Clarity tile. Once they are in their Major Clarity account, on the left hand side they can select assessments and take the Personality Assessment & Learning Styles Assessment. After the student takes the Personality Assessment, back on the left side they can click Career Exploration and either search for what they would like to see or if they scroll down, they will see careers that have a Fit Score and click on them to learn more about each career. Below are screenshots as well. Another resource in Major Clarity students can earn Micro-Credentials. Micro-Credentials can be received after students complete a mini course. These credentials can help students take the next step in their career discovery and help them stand-out by earning subject matter micro-credentials, built in partnership with leading employers and educational institutions. If you have any questions or would like more information, please email Ms. Webb at [sarah.webb@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:sarah.webb@ucps.k12.nc.us).

## GOT CHROMEBOOK ISSUES?

Location: D105 inside Media Center; Who: Mr. Walden or Ms. Snelson; [students can email jason.walden@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:jason.walden@ucps.k12.nc.us) for support - Teachers can contact via MS Teams

**Tech Times: Monday -Wednesday -Friday Mr. Walden is here 7:45 - 11:30 am.**

**Tues and Thurs he is here 12:30pm - 3:00pm.**

Teachers and students STILL always have to put in a ticket also.

Before or after these times Ms. Snelson can help with the following: reconnecting to the wifi; resetting NC ED Cloud passwords; damaged computers- she can replace as long as she has computers available

\*\*Students should put in a help desk ticket the icon can be found on the student start-up page. It is a big red button in the last row.



# INFORMATION PORTAL



## 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](#).

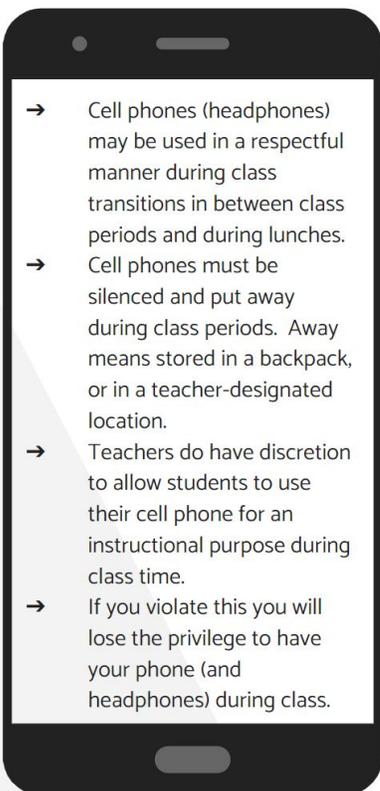
The school system is using a **NEW app** this year to track your bus. Please see the flyer below: Video on how to install the app:

[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

## STUDENT ABSENCES

- Students must turn in absence excuse notes to the Attendance Counselor **BEFORE** the start of the school day.
- Students are allowed **FIVE school** days after the end of an absence to bring a parent/ doctor note to document the reason for the absence. A parent note must be signed by a parent or guardian with a work and home telephone number for further clarification. An absence will be recorded as unexcused until the parent/ doctor note is submitted.
- After **FIVE** days the absence is recorded as **unexcused/unlawful**. Doctor/Medical notes may be considered after this in special cases. Parent notes will not be accepted after five days.
- All parent notes are subject to review and may result in a required parent-administration meeting in order to be considered.



# PIRATE PORTS OF INFORMATION



## Ports of Information for Pirates:

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