

Dear PRHS Family,

It is almost time! We are excited to have ALL of our Pirates back at school in the coming days!

This issue will have important information about the 9-12 grade Schedule Walk Through Events, bus transportation, school nutrition, athletics, and all things about Back to School!

Click here for the [PRHS Website](#). Please take time to read over this newsletter. The Pirate Press is the main form of communication from school to home. Go Pirates!



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**Ninth Grade and New Student Orientation & PRHS 9-12  
Schedule Walkthroughs**

# **PRHS SCHEDULE WALK THROUGHS**

**Current UCPS Students  
Wednesday, August 24 9-11 AM**

**New to UCPS Students  
Friday, August 26 9-11 AM**

Walk Your Schedule, Purchase Spirit Wear,  
Rent a Locker, Ask questions about bus  
transportation, Interact with the PTO.....



**WE ARE PR**

**COMMITTED**



**IN IT TOGETHER**



## Student Life & Success



# PRHS Student Life Organization Fair September 6-9

LOOK!



LOOK!

Pirates explore and join an organization during this week!  
Reconnect if you are already an active member!  
Information on Student Life Organization  
Opportunities will be in our Grand Central Station (Hallway)  
for students to browse, sign up, and join student  
organizations.

## Yearbooks



**2022 Yearbooks are  
in the front office**

**Pick up  
Mon-Thurs  
between 8-4**



**Limited Supply of Extras Online**

**1st come 1st serve purchases have already started.**

**To Purchase a yearbook online go to quick links on  
the PRHS Home Page**





# UCPS Bus Transportation



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](#)

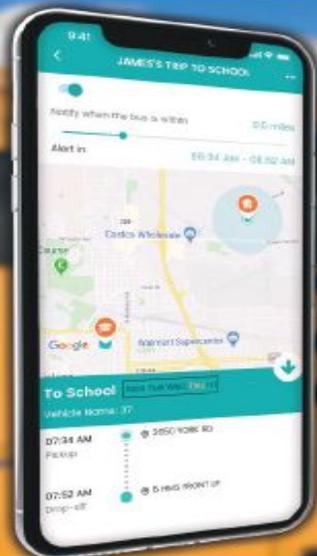
For directions on **how to install** this Real-time bus app on your phone [please follow this link](#). There is a great video for your reference here.

## Edulog Parent Portal

UP-TO-THE-MINUTE BUS ROUTE INFO



DOWNLOAD




PARENTS  
EMPOWERED!

Parent Bus Tracking Application

- ▶ Where's My Bus?
- ▶ Bus Arrival Notifications
- ▶ Planned Stop Information
- ▶ Access to All Children in the Family

- ▶ Incoming Transportation Messages
- ▶ Apple (iOS) and Android
- ▶ Secure Access

Real Time Bus Location Information



Edulog Parent Portal lets parents see the time and location planned for school bus arrival at their child's bus stop. The app also lets them view the location of the school bus to gauge arrival times each day and sends a push notification to their smartphone when the bus enters a user-defined geographic area around the stop. Parents only receive access by registering with data unique to their child. It's all information to help parents feel secure about their child's trip on the school bus!



# UCPS Bus Transportation- Spanish

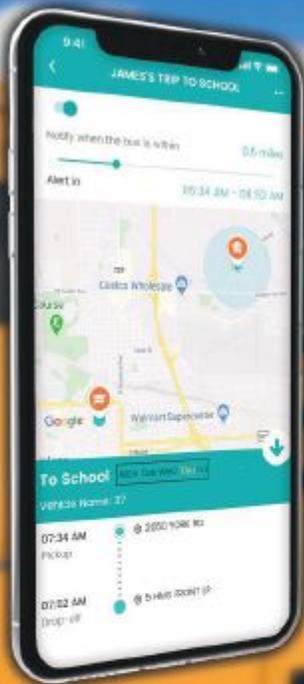


## Edulog Parent Portal

INFORMACIÓN ACTUALIZADA DE LA RUTA DEL AUTOBÚS



DESCARGAR



PARENTS  
EMPOWERED!

Aplicación de seguimiento de autobuses para padres

- ▶ ¿Dónde está mi autobús?
- ▶ Notificaciones de Llegada de autobús
- ▶ Información de las Paradas Planeadas
- ▶ Acceso a Todos los Niños en la Familia
- ▶ Mensajes Entrantes de Transportacion
- ▶ Apple (iOS) y Android
- ▶ Acceso seguro

### Real Tiempo Autobús Ubicación Información



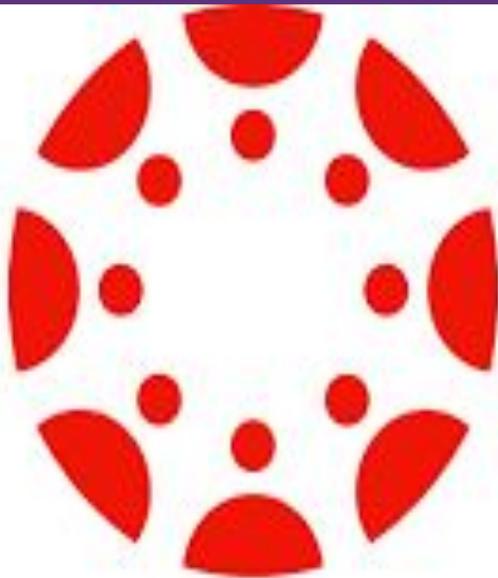
Edulog Parent Portal les permite a los padres ver la hora y el lugar planificados para la llegada del autobús escolar a la parada de autobús de su hijo. La aplicación también les permite ver la localidad del autobús escolar para calcular los tiempos de llegada cada día y envía una notificación automática a su teléfono inteligente cuando el autobús ingresa a un área geográfica definida por el usuario, área alrededor de la parada. Padres solamente recibir acceso por registrándose con datos único a su hijo. ¡Toda es información para ayudar a los padres a sentirse seguros sobre el viaje de sus hijos en el autobús escolar!



PowerSchool  
Parent Portal

PowerSchool  
Parent Portal to  
keep up with  
attendance and  
grades.

[Click here](#) for  
information.



canvas

Parents Be a  
Canvas  
Observer

[Click here](#) for  
instructions



## Back to School Hub



### Important Links

[Get Started Early on Back to School Forms- CLICK HERE](#)

[Back to School Information on our Website- CLICK HERE](#)

[School Health and Safety Information- CLICK HERE](#)

[School Schedules and Student Schedules- CLICK HERE](#)

[School Technology How to Page- CLICK HERE](#)

[Visitor on Campus Information- CLICK HERE](#)

[School Supply Information- CLICK HERE](#)

[Transportation Information- CLICK HERE](#)

[Back to School Events- CLICK HERE](#)



## Information for Families



1. School day hours: 8:10-3:05 (Class starts at 8:10, students should all arrive by 8:05 to move to class.)
2. If you are dropping your student off, you should arrive between 7:45—8:05 to ensure that your child can get to class on time.
3. Lunches are determined by the 3rd block teacher. We will inform students of their lunch time on the first day of school.
4. Upon arrival on the first day of school, all students will report to first period. Students can look up their schedules on PowerSchool.
5. Set uniforms are not required for PE classes, but a dress code is strictly enforced. This will be discussed during the first day of class. Sneakers, athletic shorts, and t-shirt are required every day.
6. Lockers are not required, but you may rent a locker for \$5.00. PE Lockers are required and PE teachers will explain the process. Your PE teacher will provide information. NO students may leave their belongings out in the PE locker room—ALL belongings must be secured with a school-issued lock. Students will be charged for missing locks.
7. Students can find supply lists for their classes on the syllabus for the class, however, supply lists may not be definite until the first day of school. To access the syllabus, go to the PRHS website, click on the 'I want to' button in the right hand side, click on staff directory, and find your teacher's name. There is a link to the classroom canvas page in this part of the directory. Please know that the syllabus for the course will be available starting 8/26. Supply Lists will also be reviewed by teachers on the first day of class. Students should bring their chromebook charged to school with them the first day, along with paper and pen/pencil.
8. Attendance is taken during each class, and it is vital that you are present at school every day for every class. If you must make doctor appointments during the school day, be sure to do so at different times of the day so you do not miss too many days in one class. Attendance matters for participation in extracurricular activities, credit for courses, and affects eligibility for sports. Students too sick to come to school may not be on school grounds for extracurricular events that day. Absence notes MUST be turned in to the front office or emailed within three days of an absence to Ms. Andrea Ortega, our attendance counselor.
9. Every teacher will have a web page (on Canvas) for students and parents to access with course information.
10. All students will receive a student login/password to the Parent Portal so that they can see their grades. This will become active Tuesday, , September 6.
11. Students are expected to check their school email account daily as both teachers and administration use this to communicate with students.
12. Please take the time to read or browse the Pirate Press each week. All important school information is in the newsletter.



# Parking Permits

Parking Passes sales for the 2022-23 school year will open on Friday, August 5 and are \$40. Students must fill out the online application by [CLICKING HERE](#) and students may pay by [CLICKING HERE](#). (Please note that all of the links needed are in the online application as well.)

1. Students must be logged into the UCPS student google account in order to access the online application.
2. Students must upload a picture of their valid drivers license in the application.
3. Students must upload a proof of payment from the PRHS OSP online payment system in the application.
4. Students and parents will digitally sign by typing their names in the application.
5. Once an application is approved students will receive an email in their UCPS accounts with a parking spot number the week before school starts.
6. Students are to use this email (Screenshot or print out) to park in the appropriate spot on the first day of school. Passes will be handed out at lunch.



SCAN for INFO

# PARKING PASSES

On sale at this time! Check out this page on our website to begin the application process:

<https://bit.ly/3P6yDAT>

Applications Close on August 15!





## School Nutrition Prices

UCPS students will no longer receive free breakfast and/or lunch for the 2022-23 school year unless students qualify for free/reduced lunch. **Please click on the application link below to apply before the first day of school.**

Lunch and breakfast prices will be as follows:

**Breakfast \$1.75 per day**

**Lunch \$3.85 per day**

**If you feel your family may qualify for free or reduced meals**, UCPS encourages parents to complete the [meal application](#) (click here) before the start of the school year. Breakfast and lunch account charges will begin on the first day of school, which is August 29.

If your application is approved, families may be eligible for the following benefits.

-Free or reduced-priced breakfast and lunch meals

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 applicatic

School Nutrition at 704-296-3000

**SCHOOL  
NUTRITION  
SERVICES**

**UCPS**  
UNION COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS



## New to PRHS Administrators

We want to update our PRHS community on changes in our Administrative Team. Dr. Fisenne is happy to announce that Mr. Leath has started his new role as PRHS Athletic Director. We are excited to welcome Dr. Josh Wall, Dr. Christie Felder and Ms. Diamond Quinichett as Assistant Principals. All three of our new APs are excited to be working at Porter Ridge this year. They bring a wealth of experience to our school. Information on what areas each AP will work directly with will be posted in early August.

We wish Dr. Newnam all the best as she transitioned to CATA this month and to Ms. Casseus as she and her family are relocating this summer. We appreciate all they have done for our students and school community.





## New to PRHS College Adviser

### College and Career Adviser- Emelyn Schaefer

Hi, there! My name is Ms. Emelyn Schaeffer, and I'm the College and Career Advisor for Porter Ridge High School. I can help with any of the following and more:

- Figuring out your GPA and class rank
- Editing your essay(s)
- Filling out the FAFSA
- Preparing for an interview
- Editing your résumé or CV
- Creating your college list
- Completing RDS
- Applying for scholarships
- Understanding Financial Aid Letters
- Sending supporting documents to schools



I'm located in the Guidance Department of both schools, so be sure to come say hi!

#### Important Links:

- Email: [emelyn.schaeffer@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:emelyn.schaeffer@ucps.k12.nc.us)
- Calendly for Student Meetings:  
<https://calendly.com/ms-schaeffer-college-advising>
- College Website: [CLICK HERE](#)
- Instagrams: @pirates2college



# PRHS ATHLETICS

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



CLICK [HERE](#) FOR  
ATHLETIC SCHEDULES

[FOOTBALL](#)  
[JV FOOTBALL](#)  
[SOCCER](#)  
[JV SOCCER](#)  
[VOLLEYBALL](#)  
[JV VOLLEYBALL](#)  
[CROSS COUNTRY](#)  
[GIRL'S GOLF](#)  
[GIRL'S TENNIS](#)  
[FIELD HOCKEY](#)



[CLICK HERE FOR](#)  
[HOME EVENT TICKETS](#)

All tickets are sold on this website  
or at the GATE by credit/debit card.

[CLICK HERE FOR](#)  
[PIRATE PASSES](#)

**ON SALE until September 30**

Pass includes -

- Athletic Booster Club Membership
- Admission into all 2022-23 home regular season home athletic events
- 50-yard line Reserved Seating at Varsity Home Football Games

Good for all 2022-23 PRHS Athletic **Regular Season** Home Games. No Refunds will be given for cancellation of games.

**JV CHEER**





# PRHS ATHLETICS

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



Varsity Men's Soccer Wins 2-1 in Final Seconds vs Independence! Go Pirates



Varsity and JV Volleyball both swept Rocky River in straight sets to start off the 2022 season! Go Pirates! Congratulations to Coach Welch on her **50th** game WIN! She is now the winningest volleyball coach in PRHS school history as she begins her 5th season this year as head coach!

JV FOOTBALL WINS





# PRHS COUNSELING NEWS

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

## New to PRHS? Join us for a tour!

Student Council will be leading tours during July and August  
A counselor will also be available to answer any questions!

### Summer Dates:

July 26th 4-6:30pm      August 2nd 4-6:30pm

August 9th 4-6:30pm      August 16th 4-6:30pm

August 23rd 4-6:30pm

Scan the QR code  
to sign up now:



## Who is your counselor?

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

**Tanisha Anderson**- last names Cov-Hek  
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**Bryan James** – last names Hel-Mc  
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**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.

Interested in being a Peer Tutor  
at a cluster elementary schools  
and/or Porter Ridge Middle  
School?

Contact Ms. Lawson at

[ashley.lawson@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:ashley.lawson@ucps.k12.nc.us)

## SENIOR NIGHT

FOR AFTER HIGH SCHOOL PLANS



SAVE THE DATE  
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER  
12TH AT 6:30 PM



# Class Schedules

**Friday, August 19 - Student Schedules will be released via PowerSchool**

**Monday, August 22 - Students may request corrections via Google Doc**

## **Schedule Corrections:**

The Schedule Correction Google Form will open **Monday, August 22nd**. Counselors will work on “Please See Counselor” holes first. “Please See Counselor” is listed on your schedule if your counselor was not able to fill your schedule with courses you selected, including alternates. Please make sure that you check your schedule in PowerSchool and fill out the Schedule Correction Google Form if needed.

Schedule Correction Link: <https://forms.gle/8ZRZSVrm3fyubvDm8>

Schedule Information: <https://www.ucps.k12.nc.us/Page/7598>

The Schedule Correction Google Form will close on **Friday, September 2nd at 5:00 pm.**

--Deadline to request a schedule correction is Friday, September 2nd at 5:00pm.

--**Requests for 1st & 2nd semester should be made at this time.** All corrections must be requested on the same submission. Only one request will be allowed.

--All schedules have been reviewed. We will not make changes for students who were placed in the 1st or alternative courses requested.

## **Requests will only be considered for the following:**

- \* senior is missing a required class for graduation or for college admissions
- \* student has not met or is missing a prerequisite for a course for which they are enrolled
- \* student is taking a course that he/she has passed
- \* student is missing a required core course (English, Math, Science, Social Studies) in their schedule
- \* student has the same course listed twice on the schedule
- \* student has “Please See your counselor” listed on their schedule



This is info in advance - this process will not open until dates listed!

Please See Counselor is listed on your schedule if your counselor was not able to fill your schedule with courses you selected (including alternates). Please make sure to fill out the form, so that your schedule is ready for the 1st day of school, which is Monday, August 29th.

A counselor will email you as we are able to process your request at your UCPS school email whether a correction can or cannot be made to your schedule.



# College and Career Opportunities

## **SCHOLARSHIPS**

Save the link to continue to review scholarships throughout your senior year! New information will be highlighted in **PURPLE!**

[https://docs.google.com/document/d/1aJUEFIL\\_retRmyxlCmNNMbLUPX\\_HwYZkrgG--uFwaxQ/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1aJUEFIL_retRmyxlCmNNMbLUPX_HwYZkrgG--uFwaxQ/edit?usp=sharing)

## **North Carolina State University - Park Scholarship**

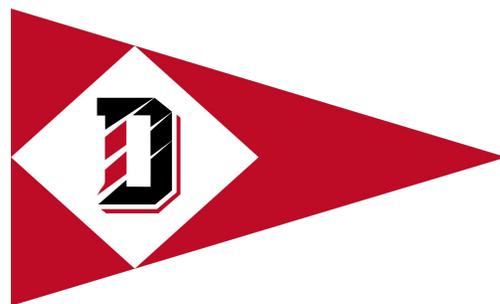
School Endorsements are no longer part of the application process. Two recommendations are required. If you are interested in applying for the Park Scholarship you must do so by November 1st. Click here to start the application process

<https://apply.ncsu.edu/apply/?pk=PARK>

## **Davidson College**

is offering SENIORS who are first in their family to attend college the opportunity to attend the Davidson Fly In Program scheduled for Sunday, October 16th to Tuesday, October 18th, 2022. If interested, please click below and fill out the application.

[Click HERE](#)





# Seniors- Pirate Class of 2023

**COLLEGE  
READINESS**

**UCPS**  
UNION COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

## 2022-2023 Parent Series

 @UCPSCollegePrep  
 ucpsccollegeready

## Scoir for Seniors

Click on the  
Image to  
register

August 30, 2022  
6:00 PM webinar

For more information and to register  
visit: <https://bit.ly/collegereadysessions>

**2023**  
*senior*





2022-2023 Starting of School

**THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL IS MONDAY, AUGUST 29**

**Porter Ridge High School 2022-2023  
Bell Schedule**



\*Students may enter the building after 7:45 am  
Monday, Wednesday, and Friday

Start to the Instructional Day.....8:10am  
First Block.....8:10 am - 9:45am  
Second Block.....9:50 am - 11:25am  
Third Block.....11:30am - 1:30pm

LUNCH

- A- 11:25-11:53
- B- 11:59-12:24
- C- 12:32-12:57
- D- 1:05-1:30

Fourth Block.....1:35 pm - 3:05pm

**Tuesday and Thursday Pirate Advisory**

Start to the Instructional Day.....8:10am  
First Block.....8:10-9:30  
Advisory.....9:35-10:00  
Second Block.....10:05-11:25  
Third Block.....11:30-1:30

LUNCH

- A- 11:25-11:53
- B- 11:59-12:24
- C- 12:32-12:57
- D- 1:05-1:30

Fourth Block.....1:35-3:05



# Pirate Ports of Information



## Ports of Information for Pirates:

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