



Pirate Press

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Dear Pirate Family,

- **Reminder about Security Procedures-** All visitor must enter through the front doors during school hours. Please expect you will have to verify who you are along with the purpose of your visit before you are permitted into the building. School staff will expect you to show ID in order to enter.
- **Students, check out Pages 2-8 to see information about courses which may interest you while considering registration selections for next year.**
- **Our School Nurse is looking for donations for water, juice, snacks, and candies.** . Please sign up if you can provide! You can send them in with your student or drop off at the front desk. [Click here](#) to see what is needed and volunteer.
- **Focus this week:** Please [click here](#) to review the **PRHS Tardy Policy**. Students are expected to be in class when the tardy bell rings, and not just in the building. Students please arrive on time to school and parents please encourage students to arrive on time to school. There is no reason for students to be late to a class during the school day. Students receive, lunch detention, after school detention, and possibly Saturday academy for being tardy too many times. The Tardy Policy is listed on [Page 9](#).
- **Academy applications for the 2023-2024 school year** are now open. To learn more about the academies UCPS has to offer and for the application, please visit the UCPS Career Readiness (<https://ucpscte.org/>) page on the UCPS website or see your Career Development Coordinator, Mrs. Webb in guidance. To apply for an academy please visit <https://bit.ly/3YOWzxM>

Students are reminded to continue to check the **Student Daily 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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Instagram

CLASS REGISTRATION PROMOTIONS

AP GOVERNMENT

"IF MEN WERE ANGELS, NO GOVERNMENT WOULD BE NECESSARY"...JAMES MADISON



DO SOMETHING TODAY THAT YOUR FUTURE SELF WILL THANK YOU FOR.

Taking this class will not only educate you, but teach you to think for yourself!

Courses for upcoming year

SPANISH- I, II, III

FRENCH- I, II

LATIN- I, II

ONLINE COURSES

JAPANESE
RUSSIAN
MANDARIN
ARABIC
AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE
GERMAN
SPANISH IV



Register Now for World Language Courses



AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY

If you are interested in expanding your knowledge about the African American roots, identity, and history consider taking African American History.

- HONORS Social Studies Elective
- Content Includes: African Origins, Atlantic Slave Trade, Slavery, African Americans during the American Revolution, the Civil War, and WWII, Emancipation, the Civil Rights Movement, and Black America today
- See Ms. Smitherman in F203 for more information.



Learn 3D modeling

Great for future inventors

Certify in AutoDesk Inventor



DRAFTING II - ENGINEERING

*must have completed Drafting I



INTERESTED

IN THE MEDICAL FIELD??

SIGN UP FOR HEALTH SCIENCE CLASSES

ORDER TO TAKE CLASSES:

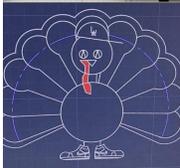
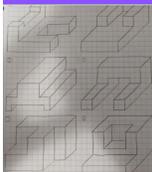
1. Health Science I Honors
2. Health Science II Honors
3. Pharmacy Technician Honors



Learn to read technical drawings

Develop Spatial relations & basics of 3D design

Certify in AutoDesk AutoCAD



DRAFTING I

? INTERESTED

in the animal industry?

Order to take classes:

1. Animal Science I
2. Animal Science II- Companion Animal
3. Vet Assisting

SIGN UP FOR ANIMAL SCIENCE!



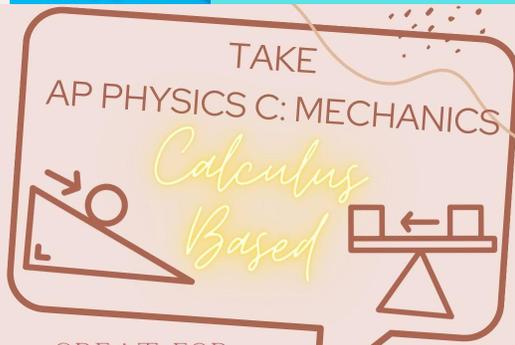
TAKE AP PHYSICS C: MECHANICS

Calculus Based

GREAT FOR STEM MAJORS!

A/B DAY

Can be taken at the same time as AP Calculus AB or after





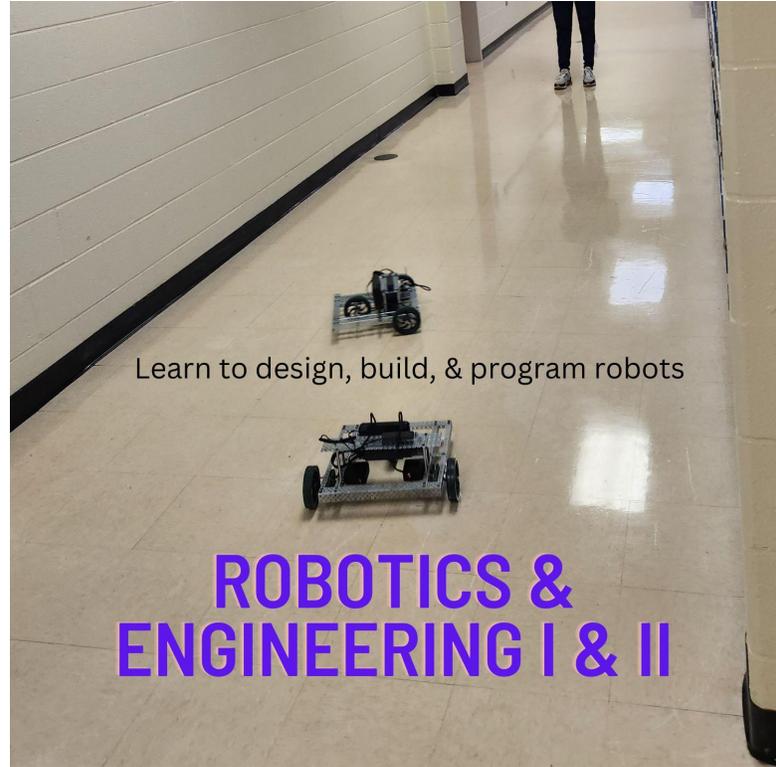
CLASS REGISTRATION PROMOTIONS



Learn the basics of floorplans

Design your own home

Certify in AutoDesk Revit



Learn to design, build, & program robots

ROBOTICS & ENGINEERING I & II



DRAFTING II - ARCHITECTURE

*must have completed Drafting I



WHY AP U.S. HISTORY IS A GREAT PICK

- Students who take AP classes are more successful in college.
- Students who do well on the AP Test can get college credit.
- There is less of a transition or culture shock for AP students when they go to college.
- Our class will be working as a team to learn.
- Students who take this course will learn how to argue effectively, not just in their essays, but in future sales or business dealings.



Smash that YES Button





CLASS REGISTRATION PROMOTIONS



College credit for \$87
You will be required to take a Psychology 101 for your BA/BS Degree. You will be responsible for the same material over only 1 semester!

Why should you take AP Psychology?

FUN
Psychology is fun! It covers exciting topics, great experiments, and hands-on experiences.

College Readiness
You will experience college-level work in a high school setting.

Practical Applications
This course provides practical information that will help you in your life. You will learn ways to apply psychology to your own life and the lives of others.

Why not try to take an AP course?
Government involves more abstract concepts, whereas AP Psychology is based around direct terminology that is directly applicable to YOUR life! This section is for YOU makes the class interesting, exciting and FUN!

College Readiness
You will experience college-level work in a high school setting.

College credit for \$87
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visual arts II-IV

PROJECTS IN:
DRAWING
PAINTING
PRINTMAKING
SCULPTURE
CERAMICS & MIXED-MEDIA

PRE-REQUISITES: MUST HAVE TAKEN THE PREVIOUS LEVEL

ADVANCED PLACEMENT
PSYCHOLOGY

GUITAR CLASS

LEARN GUITAR IN A CLASS

SIGN UP FOR MUSIC SPECIALIZATION DURING CLASS REGISTRATION

AP ART & DESIGN

2-D/3-D/DRAWING
PORTFOLIO TYPES

Open for Registration

Must take Advanced Studio 1st semester

Pre-Requisites: Visual Arts I-IV



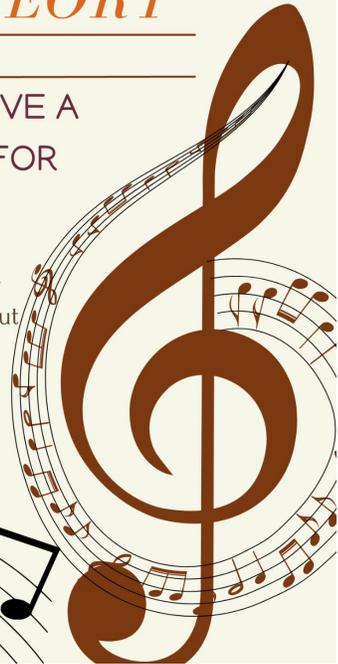
CLASS REGISTRATION PROMOTIONS



MUSIC THEORY

DO YOU HAVE A PASSION FOR MUSIC

Sign up when you register for classes to learn all about written music and how music works. AP and honors level available.



AP World History: Modern



Interested in how modern history has impacted our world today? In this class, you'll analyze texts, visual sources, and other historical evidence in addition to expressing historical arguments. Depending on your AP exam score, you can earn college credit towards a history course! See Mr. Chavis with any questions!

WLEDGE

JOIN CHORUS

ALL IN, ALL ONE

PRHS SCIENCE ELECTIVES

SEMESTER ELECTIVES

HONORS PHYSICS
(CAN COUNT AS YOUR PHYSICAL SCIENCE CREDIT)

HONORS ANATOMY & PHYSIOLOGY
(INCLUDES DISSECTION LABS)

HONORS & CP FORENSIC SCIENCE
(LEARN HOW SCIENTISTS PROCESS EVIDENCE AT CRIME SCENES)



YEARLONG ELECTIVES

AP CHEMISTRY
(TAKEN WITH ADVANCED CHEMISTRY TOPICS HONORS)

AP BIOLOGY
(TAKEN WITH ADVANCED BIOLOGY TOPICS HONORS)

AP PHYSICS 1
ALGEBRA-BASED

AP PHYSICS C
CALCULUS-BASED

AP ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE (APES)



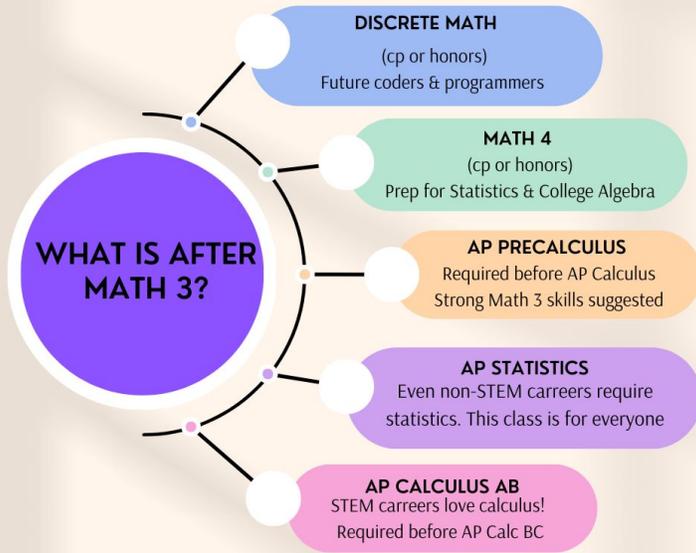


CLASS REGISTRATION PROMOTIONS



Math @ Porter Ridge High School

All students need to take 4 years of math in high school and need to complete Math 1, Math 2 & Math 3.

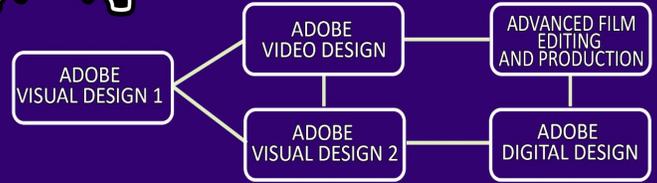


AP Courses can earn college credit with a passing score on the AP exam for the course.

AP PreCal & AP Statistics are A/B day courses. These can be paired together or with other courses.



ADOBE PATHWAYS



ADOBE VISUAL DESIGN 1 (Honors)

Welcome to the world of Graphic Design. In this course students will work in the industry leading Adobe **PHOTOSHOP** and **ILLUSTRATOR**. Students learn the programs interface, image editing, compositing images, retouching images, digital drawing, painting, and exporting images.

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CERTIFICATIONS:
Adobe Photoshop and
Adobe Illustrator

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ADOBE VISUAL DESIGN 2 (Honors)

PREREQUISITE: Adobe Visual Design 1. In this course students will work in the industry leading Adobe **INDESIGN**. Students learn the programs interface, tools, print production, and how to create projects such as flyers, posters, magazine covers, etc.

CERTIFICATIONS:
Adobe InDesign

Id

ADOBE DIGITAL DESIGN (Honors)

Learn to build dynamic webpages. Students use Adobe **DREAMWEAVER** to code fully functional websites. Students will learn the programs interface, web authoring, site testing, and how to maintain a website.

Dw

CERTIFICATIONS:
Adobe Dreamweaver

ADOBE VIDEO DESIGN (Honors)

Students will plan, record, and edit video using the industry standard program Adobe **PREMIERE PRO**. Students will learn the interface, editing video, applying effects, working with audio, and exporting video.

CERTIFICATIONS:
Adobe Premiere Pro

Pr

Business Essentials

If you have any questions see Miss Brown in room D100. Email: morgan.brown@ucps.k12.nc.us

Join Miss Brown's BE class to learn more about the behind the scenes operations of a business!



Apparel + Textile Production I and II





CLASS REGISTRATION PROMOTIONS



LIFE IS FULL OF DRAMA

Sign Up For Tech Theatre II & Play Production

Tech II and Play Prudction allow technicians to apply what they learned in Tech I to a fully realized production. Tech students will work closely with a cast where they will run the backstage team. They will also learn advance design techniques including computer modeling, white modeling and scale perspective drawing.

LIFE IS FULL OF DRAMA

Sign Up For Theatre I

Theatre I introduces you to the wonderful and creative world of theatre. You will learn basic acting techniques, playwriting and basic technical theatre. You will also be able to participate in a performance opportunity as you perform in this year's Theatre Showcase.



LIFE IS FULL OF DRAMA

Sign Up For Tech Theatre I

Like theater but not performing. Tech Theatre I may be for you. Learn the basics of lighting, sound, costume, makeup and set design in construction using a hands on approach. Students will gain experience as the construct sets and provide technical support for productions



Sign Up for Theatre III/IV Honors

Theatre III/IV honors takes a deep dive into theatre and acting techniques. We explore how to apply Viewpoints, Method Acting and improvisational techniques into fully realized performances. We will also explore medieval and Greek theatre as well as audition techniques that can aid in preparing for college. Theatre III/IV students will gain performance experience as the participate in the NCTC play festival and the Theatre showcase.



Theatre I and II or instructor approval is required.

LIFE IS FULL OF DRAMA

Sign Up For Theatre II

Theatre II expands on the lessons learned in Theatre I. You will learn advanced acting techniques including but not limited to viewpoints, method acting and improvisational techniques. You will also be able to participate in two performance opportunities as you perform in this year's Theatre Showcase and a children's theater piece. Either theater I or instructor approval is required for this course.





CLASS REGISTRATION PROMOTIONS




Interior design studio.






Public Safety 1

“Public Safety 1 provides basic career information in public safety including corrections, emergency and fire management, security and protection, law enforcement, and legal services. Additionally, students will develop a personal plan for a career in public safety. The course includes skills in each area, using resources from the community to help deliver instruction to the students.”



Law & Justice 1

“Students desiring to pursue a career in Law and Justice will examine the basic concepts of law related to citizens’ rights and officers’ responsibilities to maintain a safe society. This course begins with a study of various careers in public safety. The course will explore the history and development of law enforcement in the United States. Students will then examine the components of the criminal justice system, including the roles and responsibilities of the police, courts, and corrections.”

Law & Justice 2

“This Honors course is an adapted course aligned with the nationally recognized Certified Protective Officer (CPO) certification through the International Federation of Protective Officers (IFPO). The legal age to obtain ones BLET certification is 21 years of age. NCDPI, in conjunction with a variety of Law Enforcement Agencies across NC, selected the CPO certification as a great opportunity for students to be employed in the field related to law enforcement at the age of 18. Students, who can begin their works experience in this field immediately out of high school can gain both a salary and experience, enabling them to pursue their post-secondary education while they wait to reach the legal age of 21 for entrance into a law enforcement career when desired”



PRHS TARDY POLICY



TARDY POLICY

Student Tardies will reset every semester giving all students a fresh start. **Students are expected to be in class when the tardy bell rings.** Students that arrive late disturb other students as well as hurt their own academic standing. Tardies will be addressed in the following manner:

All students must sign in when tardy.

- **1st Tardy** - Warning / No Consequence
- **2nd Tardy** - Warning / Parent Contact
- **3rd Tardy** - One (1) day of Lunch Detention and Parent Contact
- **4th Tardy** - Two (2) day of Lunch Detention and Parent Contact
- **5th Tardy** - One (1) day of After School Detention (ASD) and Parent Contact
- **6th Tardy** - Two (2) day of After School Detention (ASD) and Parent Contact
- **7th Tardy** - One (1) day of Saturday Academy and Parent Contact (Loss of parking permit for 1 week)
- **8th Tardy** - Parent Conference with administration
- **9th Tardy** - One (1) day of Saturday Academy and Parent Contact
- **10th Tardy** - permanent loss of parking permit. Further disciplinary action for non-drivers

Note: Failure to serve assigned detention as scheduled may result in OSS. Tardies are cumulative on a semester basis.



STUDENT LIFE



TICKET SALES
MARCH 6TH-10TH
JUNIORS=\$75 AND SENIORS=\$70 PER PERSON
CASH OR CHECK ONLY DURING ALL LUNCHES



**RED CARPET
AT
THE RITZ
PROM 2023**

APRIL 22ND, 2023 | SATURDAY, 8PM-12AM
THE RITZ-CARLTON HOTEL
UPTOWN CHARLOTTE

Team registration for The

GREATRACE

is now open. We can only take the first 45 (4-person) teams to sign up. In the past, the spots have filled very quickly. Please see the Great Race [THIS COMMERCIAL](#) in the PRHS Student Announcements. The link to sign up is in the student daily announcements bit.ly/thegreatracepr See Ms. Yearick for more information.

Prizes for winners:

- 1st place: each team member gets \$20 and free parking for the next school
- 2nd place: each team member gets \$15
- 3rd place: each team member gets \$10

There are also TONS of door prizes and all racers' names will be entered to win

PRE-APPRENTICESHIPS

GET PAID TO GO TO COLLEGE WHILE IN HIGH SCHOOL!
&
GET COLLEGE & HIGH SCHOOL CREDIT AT THE SAME TIME!

WANT MORE INFORMATION?
March 30, 2023
6:00pm



GREINER BIO-ONE
4238 Capitol Dr.
Monroe, NC 28110

YOU CAN ALSO SEE YOUR CAREER DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR FOR MORE INFORMATION



Attention, Seniors!

Submit pictures for the Senior Slideshow!

Submit photos via Instagram
[@prseniorssideshow23](https://www.instagram.com/prseniorssideshow23) OR email
to
prseniorssideshow23@gmail.com

What We're Looking For:

- Baby Pictures
- Throwbacks
- School Events
- Family & Friends
- High School Life
- Individual Senior Pics
- Athletics
- Extracurriculars



Due April 30th



STUDENT LIFE ANNOUNCEMENTS



- ❖ Buy your **yearbooks** at yearbookforever.com
- ❖ Students, if you did not receive your Academic Bar or Letter from the Fall this past week, then please see Ms. Martinez in guidance for your Bar or Letter. Requirements for earning an Academic Letter/Bar: • The student must be in the 9th, 10th, 11th, or 12th grade. • The student must have an overall semester average of 90, computed by averaging the grades received in all courses in which the student is enrolled. The student may earn no semester grade less than “85” to be considered. • In determining overall average and minimum grade requirements for students taking AP courses, five (5) points should be added to the numerical grade received for the semester for each AP Course.
- ❖ Juniors and Seniors, if you are currently enrolled in a Spring SPCC Class, textbook reimbursement forms are available now in the front office! Please turn these in with a receipt by March 24th to Ms. Green in Guidance!
- ❖ NEHS and Creative Writing Club will meet this Monday (3/6) after school in room F105c. We will continue to brainstorm ideas for future events. Please bring a mug for a warm drink and bring snacks to share.
- ❖ Attention Outdoor Enthusiasts! The Outdoors Club is having a monthly hike starting Sunday, March 5th, at 11:00 am at Chestnut Park. Come and catalog plants and learn more about nature in real time!
- ❖ Please see Ms. Ellis or Ms. Goldberg if you need to pick up a permission slip for the FBLA/FCCLA field trip planned on March 15 to UNC Charlotte.
- ❖ The Disc Golf Club will be playing at The Scrapyard this Saturday at 1pm.
- ❖ Attention, Seniors! Submissions for the **Senior Slideshow** are now open. Send us pics of high school, athletics, extracurriculars, friends, family, and baby pics! DM your submissions to our Instagram @prseniorslideshow23 or email your submissions to prseniorslideshow23@gmail.com. Submissions close April 30th.
- ❖ The next FCCLA meeting is Tuesday March 7 after school Room D101. Please see Ms Goldberg about our field trip scheduled for 3/15.
- ❖ A big thank you to all of the teams that came out and participated in Goosechase! We would like to say a special congratulations to our winning teams:
 - 1. The Imposters with Noah McIntyre, Christian Hasty, Nathan Niday, and Max Bolster.
 - 2. The Spice Boys with Paul Konigsberg and Reese Joaquin
 - 3. AAXE with Ashlee Bardsley, Abby Kraftson, Erin Cole, and Ximena Salinas-Ayala.
- ❖ Attention all Juniors and Seniors: First-round prom ticket sales start Monday, March 6th through Friday, March 10th during all lunches. Juniors pay \$75 per ticket and Seniors pay \$70 per ticket---cash or check only. Guest forms are in the front office, and a color copy of the guest’s I.D. is required upon form submission. All school fees must be paid first before a purchase can be made. See Ms. Lukasik in room G211 with any questions.
- ❖ Umoja meeting scheduled for next Thursday, March 9, 2023. Stay tuned for announcement surrounding the arrival of the t-shirts
- ❖ The Science National Honor Society will be having our next meeting Monday morning, March 6 at 7:50 in Mrs. Broadbent's room E207D.



PIRATE PTO PAGE



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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!



PIRATE ATHLETICS



For more information about PRHS Athletics
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SCHEDULES

[GIRLS SOCCER](#)

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[SOFTBALL](#)

[GIRLS LACROSSE](#)

[BOYS LACROSSE](#)

[TRACK](#)

[BOYS TENNIS](#)

[BOYS GOLF](#)

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[HOME EVENT TICKETS](#)

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

[CLICK ON THE IMAGE TO BUY SPIRIT WEAR!](#)






PORTER RIDGE ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB

SPIRIT WEAR & FAN SHOP

**Open Tuesday, 3/7, Close
on Tuesday 3/21 for
delivery the week of 4/4**

https://shop.sportstoyou.com/porter_ridge_athletic_booster_c/shop/home

**MERCHANDISE PICK UP AVAILABLE 3
WEEKS AFTER ONLINE STORE CLOSURES. YOU
WILL BE NOTIFIED TO PICK UP AT THE
SCHOOL OFFICE.**








PIRATE ATHLETICS

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THIS WEEK AT

PORTER RIDGE

March 5 - March 11



SUNDAY

NO EVENTS

MONDAY

MEN'S TENNIS VS INDEPENDENCE (3:30pm)

WOMEN'S SOCCER @ COUNTRY DAY (JV 5:30pm, V 7:00pm)

TUESDAY

LAX VS PROVIDENCE (WOMEN'S 5:30pm, MEN'S 7:00pm)

WEDNESDAY

MEN'S TENNIS VS CATA (3:30pm)

SOFTBALL @ BUTLER (VARS ONLY 4:00pm)

THURSDAY

SOFTBALL VS RICHMOND SR. (VARS ONLY 4:00pm)

BASEBALL @ BUTLER (JV 4:00pm, V 6:30pm)

FRIDAY

BASEBALL @HOPEWELL (JV 4:30pm, V 7:00pm)

LAX VS CSD (WOMEN'S 5:30pm, MEN'S 7:00pm)

WOMEN'S SOCCER @J M (VARS ONLY 6:00pm)

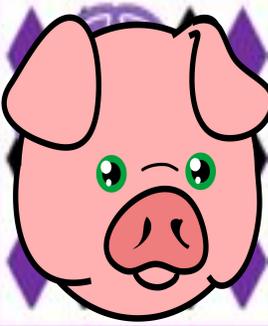
SATURDAY

NO EVENTS

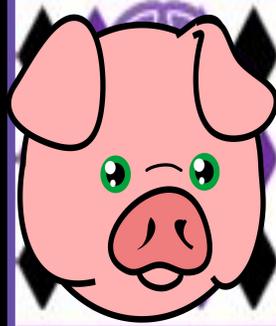
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RESULTS FROM THE PAST WEEK IN PIRATE ATHLETICS

	<u>JV</u>	<u>VARSITY</u>
2/28 BASEBALL @ SOUTH MECK	W 5-3	L 0-12
SOCCER @ PROVIDENCE	L 0-7	L 0-2
TENNIS VS WEST STANLY	L 2-7	
3/1 TENNIS VS CATA		
SOFTBALL VS RICHMOND SR	TIE 5-5	L 3-8
MEN'S LAX VS SOUTH MECK	W 14-10	
WOMEN'S LAX VS SOUTH MECK	L 8-18	



PIRATE ATHLETICS



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

PORTER RIDGE ATHLETIC BOOSTERS BARBECUE FUNDRAISER

[CLICK HERE](#)

The Porter Ridge Athletic Booster Club's Annual BBQ Fundraiser is **Friday, March 24, 2023 from 11:00am - 6:00pm.** Online ticket sales are available until March 19, Please visit porterridgeabc.org for more information and to purchase BBQ, Butts, or Full Rack of Ribs!

Order online by 3/19/23
Pickup between 11a-6pm on 3/24 at PRHS Stadium
1lb Chopped \$15
Full Rack of Ribs \$25
Whole Pork Butt \$50
Sauces included



PORTER RIDGE ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB
Annual
BBQ FUNDRAISER
3/24/23 11AM-6PM
PICK UP AT THE HIGH SCHOOL STADIUM
RAIN OR SHINE

1LB CHOPPED PORK	FULL RACK OF RIBS	WHOLE PORK BUTT
\$15	\$25	\$50



COUNSELING CENTER



Who is your counselor?

Ashley Lawson- last names A-Cou
ashley.lawson@ucps.k12.nc.us

Tanisha Anderson- last names Cov-Hek
tanisha.anderson@ucps.k12.nc.us

Bryan James – last names Hel-Mc
bryan.james@ucps.k12.nc.us

Cassidy Jarrett– last names Me-San
cassidy.lippert@ucps.k12.nc.us

Alexandra Green– last names Sap-Z
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)



APPLY ONLINE:
UNCNRI.ORG/VIP



INTERESTED IN A CAREER IN RESEARCH OR NUTRITION?

All high school students, rising ninth graders to rising college freshman, are invited to apply to our Virtual Internship Program. You will learn from experts in the field of Nutrition during this four-week summer course. This program is entirely virtual and can be completed anywhere you take your computer.

*eastern time	Week One
June 20 1 PM - 2:30 PM	Welcome and Orientation Nutrition 101
June 22 1 PM - 2 PM	Research Methods
	Week Two
June 27 1 PM - 2 PM	Why Nutrition is Important to Health and Wellness Across the Lifespan
June 29 1 PM - 2 PM	Mentoring Fundamentals and Personal Experiences
	Week Three
July 11 1 PM - 2 PM	Healthy Hydration: Lab-based to Clinical Research
July 13 1 PM - 2 PM	Vitamins can Promote Health and Prevent Disease
	Week Four
July 18 1 PM - 2 PM	Career Paths in Nutrition
July 20, time TBD	Student Presentations

APPLICATION DEADLINE: MARCH 20

DON'T FORGET!

IF YOU ARE TAKING SPRING SPCC CLASSES:

TEXTBOOK RE-IMBURSEMENT FORMS ARE DUE BY MARCH 24TH!



FORMS ARE AVAILABE IN THE FRONT OFFICE AND MUST BE TURNED INTO MS. GREEN

Applications for 2023 Calendar year now open!

GOVERNOR'S PAGE PROGRAM

Founded in 1973, the Governor's Page Program gives high school students from all over North Carolina the opportunity to come to Raleigh for a week of hands-on participation in their state government. Pages grow in four areas: history, civics, service, and professional development.

EL PROGRAMA DE PAGINA DEL GOBERNADOR

Fundado en 1973, el Programa de la página del gobernador brinda a los estudiantes de secundaria de todo Carolina del Norte la oportunidad de venir a Raleigh para una semana de participación práctica en su gobierno estatal. Los estudiantes crecen en cuatro áreas: historia, educación cívica, servicio y desarrollo profesional.



LATINX GOVERNOR'S PAGE WEEK

Sept 25-28, 2023

Founded in 1973, the Governor's Page Program gives high school students from all over North Carolina the opportunity to come to Raleigh for a week of hands-on participation in their state government.

This page week is for North Carolina students who identify as Latinx or Hispanic, and who are interested to learn from Latinx leaders in State Government. Participants receive a \$200 stipend to compensate for any costs associated with the program, and participation in the program is an excused absence from school.



for more application link email: ERINN.FOOTE@NC.GOV



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FUTURE TEACHERS OF NORTH CAROLINA WEST REGION EVENT

High school juniors and seniors interested in education are invited to participate in a free and immersive two-day campus event featuring education programs from eight universities in the region.

Learn what it's like to be a teacher candidate on a college campus.

JOIN US!

WHEN April 21-22, 2023 WHERE UNC Charlotte



THE EVENT WILL INCLUDE

- Teacher/School Leadership and Student Panels
- Student Teaching Simulation
- College Fair With Representation from 8 Universities
- Light Rail Trip
- Campus Tour
- UNC Charlotte Baseball Game and Tailgate
- College/University Swag
- Meals and Snacks
- Accommodations for Out-of-Town Guests Free of Charge at the New Marriott Hotel on the UNC Charlotte Campus



BLACK STUDENT LEADERS GOVERNOR'S PAGE WEEK

June 19-22, 2023

Founded in 1973, the Governor's Page Program gives high school students from all over North Carolina the opportunity to come to Raleigh for a week of hands-on participation in their state government. Pages grow in four areas: history, civics, service, and professional development.

This page week is for North Carolina students who identify as Black or African American, and who are interested to learn from Black leaders in State Government.

Participants receive a \$200 stipend to compensate for any costs associated with the program, and participation in the program is an excused absence from school.



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BECOME A TEACHER. MAKE A DIFFERENCE.



Registration Information

Porter Ridge High School



Rising 10th-12th Grade Course Selection Timeline

Monday 2/20 - Curriculum Night 6:00 pm



- Current HS Families are invited to PRHS Auditorium for a presentation about HS Grad Requirements and Course Selection.

Thursday, 2/23 - Course Selection Info



- During Advisory, students will view the course selection process video.

Friday 2/24 - Friday, 3/10 Course Selection Period



- Students will enter course requests in Powerschool. The system will close on 3/10 at midnight.

Tuesday 2/21, Thursday 2/23, & Tuesday, 2/28

Q & A Sessions 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm



- PRHS Counselors and Teachers will be available to answer questions about courses and sequencing

3/13 - 4/6 Counselors meet with students individually



- Counselors will send an email to parents and students-parents and students must approve the course requests or they will not be processed





Internship and Opportunities

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN

NAIL CARE? BRAID EXTENSIONS? BRAIDS?
CUTTING? COLORING? STYLING?

COSMETOLOGY OPEN HOUSE

TUESDAY, MARCH 9, 2023
3:30 – 5:30PM

WALTER BICKETT EDUCATION CENTER
704 S. Washington Street
Monroe, NC 28112



See your Career Development Coordinator for more information about the event.

WE CAN HELP YOU NAVIGATE WHAT'S NEXT



Learn about South Piedmont Community College at a campus-wide Open House! Get answers to all of your questions with campus tours, program demonstrations, informational sessions and meet-and-greets with college leaders, staff and faculty. You've got big plans for the future; come learn how we can help you achieve them!

Learn About:

- Associate in a Year (AAY)
- Apprenticeship Programs
- Completing your FAFSA
- Transfer and Guaranteed Admissions Programs
- Student Life at SPCC

FREE and open to the public, but pre-registration preferred



SPCC.EDU/OPENHOUSE

OPEN HOUSE

March 14
4 - 8 p.m.

Start Here

Old Charlotte Highway Campus
4221 Old Charlotte Highway
Monroe, NC 28110

Experiences also at Braswell Building & Tyson Center

Transportation from Anson County is available. Contact Lauren at LMeseroll@spcc.edu to save your spot!



See the info above if you are graduating in 2023 and planning to attend SPCC!



AFJROTC

- Scholarships!
- Field Trips!
- Obstacle Course and Drill Competitions!
- E Sports Team!
- Paintball!
- Flying!



Overview

Porter Ridge JROTC is looking for the next generation of cadet citizen leaders from Porter Ridge High School!

Why JROTC?

- Leadership, Teamwork and Character Development are the cornerstones of JROTC curriculum
- Significant extracurricular involvement with trips to Air Force Bases, Space Museums, College Campuses summer camps, etc.
- College resume boost and/or advantages if going into College ROTC or enlisting in military after High School

What now?

- Visit guidance to request for fall schedule or e-mail chadrick.richardson@ucps.k12.nc.us



“2023-2024 CTE Internship”

UCPS Career & Technical Education (CTE) Internship program provides students the opportunity for hands-on experience in areas of career interest prior to college or post-secondary training. Students can find the Internship application by going into their Major Clarity account and clicking on Work-Based Learning on the left-hand side.

Application Deadlines

- Summer 2023 Internship – April 15th
- Fall 2023 Semester – May 1st
- Spring 2024 Semester – October 1st

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Webb at sarah.webb@ucps.k12.nc.us.



MILITARY & SUMMER OPPORTUNITIES

Website Updates!

There's a new page with extra-curricular opportunities and programs to do this summer!



bit.ly/UCPScollegeadvising

HORATIO ALGER ASSOCIATION of Distinguished Americans, Inc.

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR HIGH SCHOOL JUNIORS

If integrity, determination, and courage describe you – you have what it takes to be a Horatio Alger Scholar. Our scholarships reward students who possess the character to succeed in life and believe in the American Dream. We help students overcome the financial barriers to pursue higher education. To qualify, you must have at least a 2.0 GPA and require financial assistance to attend college. To learn more and apply, visit scholars.horatioalger.org.

The eligibility criteria to be considered for Horatio Alger National and State Scholarships are as follows:

- Be enrolled full-time as a high school junior.
- Exhibit a strong commitment to pursue and complete a bachelor's degree at an accredited non-profit public or private institution in the United States (students may start their studies at a two-year institution and then transfer to a four-year institution).
- Demonstrate critical financial need (\$35,000 or lower adjusted gross family income is required).
- Be involved in co-curricular and community service activities.
- Display integrity and perseverance in overcoming adversity.
- Hold a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.0.
- Be a United States citizen.

Awardees will receive financial aid counseling and college selection advising!

Application Deadline: March 15

U.S. Military Academies: Junior Year

If you're intending to apply to a military academy, there are some things you should start now: take the ASVAB and ACT or SAT, start thinking about nomination letters and how you'll make sure your representative knows you, write and get the pre-candidate questionnaires and candidate kits. Military academies, unlike most four year schools, really require that you start working on applications during your junior year.

QuestBridge

QuestBridge is a program for high-achieving, low-income students that provides free applications and a full-ride scholarship to some of the nation's top colleges. Counselors are able to nominate students, but we don't usually know who all of our low-income students are, and we don't want you to miss out on this opportunity as a result of that. The criteria we are given are:

- Excel academically by earning primarily A's in the most challenging courses available and displaying intellectual curiosity and strong writing ability.
- Come from households earning less than \$65,000 annually (for a typical household of four), with minimal assets, and often qualify for their school's free or reduced-price meals.
- Exhibit strong character, such as resilience, integrity, and motivation to succeed.

For more information about QuestBridge, please go to this link:
<https://www.questbridge.org/>

If you feel you meet the criteria and would like to be nominated for QuestBridge, [please fill out this form by March 20th.](#) Please see Ms. Schaeffer with any questions.

HOW IT WORKS



Apply to the National College Match



Rank QuestBridge colleges to apply to



Early Admission with a full scholarship!*

*With a second chance of admission through QuestBridge Regular Decision.



Get the top college education you deserve



Join a community of QuestBridge Scholars on campus



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.**

To Do:

- **Let your counselor know if a mid-year transcript needs to be “downloaded” from Scoir and mailed (if it says “sent”, the document was sent digitally)**
- Complete FAFSA if not yet done
- Apply to scholarships
 - [Scholarship Application Tracker](#)
 - [Pirate Scholarship Document](#)
 - [Ms. Schaeffer’s Scholarships Page](#)

To Know:

- National Decision Day is May 1st, so you do not need to submit any enrollment deposits until April 30th. You have plenty of time to tour schools, compare financial aid packages, and make your decision
- You have two excused absences for colleges visits and additional at principal discretion

Important Links

[College Advising Website](#)

[Calendly for Meetings](#)

Instagram: @Pirates2College

[Calendar for Events and Deadlines](#)

It's The Ticket to Your Next Step



*PROGRAM CONCLUDES
MAY 31, 2023

[CFNC.ORG/NEXT-STEP-PROGRAM](https://cfnc.org/next-step-program)

A virtual program to help juniors and their parents prepare for the next step after graduation.

MARCH - MAY 2023

PROGRAM AVAILABLE FOR SELECT PARTICIPATING SCHOOLS.

College
Foundation
of North Carolina

We're partnered with CFNC to help you prepare for life after high school! Fill out the [Junior Next Step Form](#) to share information about your goals. I'll then use that information to plan events and share it with teachers I feel could help you get there. Check out the next page and [CFNC](#) for more information.

It's The Ticket to Your Next Step



***PROGRAM CONCLUDES
MAY 31, 2023**

If you are a high school junior or the parent of a junior exploring next steps after high school, this program is for you. Share your post-graduation intentions and needs and you'll receive helpful information based upon your interests such as apprenticeships, military, work, community college, or four-year college. If you're considering a two- or four-year college, you can share your contact information with 110 NC colleges and participate in an online program to take six important steps in college planning.

You'll have lots to do in your senior year, so now is a great time to get ahead and make sure you're keeping all your options open. Are you ready for the Next Step?

MARCH - MAY 2023

[CFNC.ORG/NEXT-STEP-PROGRAM](https://cfnc.org/next-step-program)

Ways to Participate:

#1 Junior Next Step Form (5 minutes)

Complete the Junior Next Step Form (students & parents) to share your post-graduation goals and intentions, and connect with NC colleges.

#2 Next Step Online Program for Spring 2023

(Self-paced)

As students and parents complete the Junior Next Step Form, you can choose to sign up for the online program that walks you through six important steps in college planning.

What you'll do and learn:

- Ensure your CFNC.org account is ready and learn how you'll use it next year.
- Set up an appropriate email address for correspondence with colleges and employers.
- Learn about the importance of the FAFSA and create your FSA ID so you'll be ready to apply for aid.
- Learn about the different types of college majors and degrees.
- Understand the role of "Fit" and "Match" as you choose colleges.
- Learn about safety, target, and reach colleges, and create an initial list of 3 colleges with strong fit and match.

Students will also receive messages (text or email) with tips and reminders. If you have questions along the way, you can reach out to our team of NC graduate students

Overview:

1. Complete the Junior Next Step Form
2. Receive an email related to your interests. If you are interested in college, you'll gain access to exclusive program content on CFNC.org, including videos, links, and action steps.
3. Choose text or email for tips and program reminders.





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April 21-22, 2023

WHERE
UNC Charlotte

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TO REGISTER



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LINK ONLINE
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THE EVENT WILL INCLUDE

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AND TECHNICAL STATE UNIVERSITY
COLLEGE OF EDUCATION



UNC GREENSBORO
School of Education



NC Central
UNIVERSITY
School of Education



WINSTON-SALEM
STATE UNIVERSITY
College of Arts, Sciences,
Business & Education

Reich College of Education

APPALACHIAN STATE UNIVERSITY

BECOME A TEACHER. MAKE A DIFFERENCE.



COMMUNITY COLLEGE APPLICATIONS

All community college applications are now open!

The sooner you apply, the better your chances are of getting to choose the classes you want and receiving some money.

[Here is a guide](#) for everything you need to know on how to apply to community college (snapshot below).

2-YEAR COLLEGE PROCESS CHECKLIST
College Website: <https://bit.ly/UCPScollegeadvising>

- Activate your Scoir Account if you haven't already
You will use this account to research schools and let your counselor know your plans.
- Create your list of schools in SCOIR by **September 1st**
Your counselor will then stop asking you to share your plans because they'll know! Schools must be in the "Applying" or "Applied" columns for your counselor to see them.
- Create your CFNC account at <https://www.cfnc.org/> ASAP
You will use your CFNC account to apply to community college and/or complete the Residency Determination Service.

When you apply, please make sure you send your transcript electronically by clicking the checkbox on the last page.

[Learn more about how you can be paid a full-time wage while at SPCC here!](#)

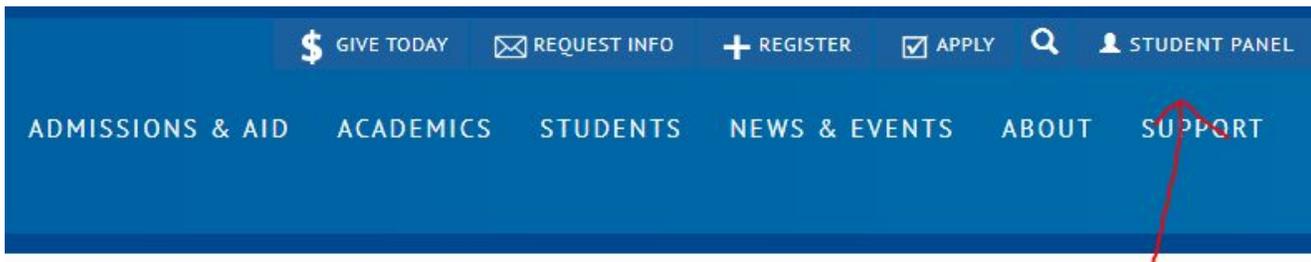
[Apply to SPCC here!](#)

[Apply to CPCC here!](#)

CCP to SPCC STUDENT

Current CCP students do not have to complete the entire application over again. They only need to complete "High School to Adult" form on Etrieve (which is our electronic data forms). Students will need their SPCC login to access. The best way to access the form is as follows:

Go to www.spcc.edu and click on "Student Panel" in the upper right hand corner



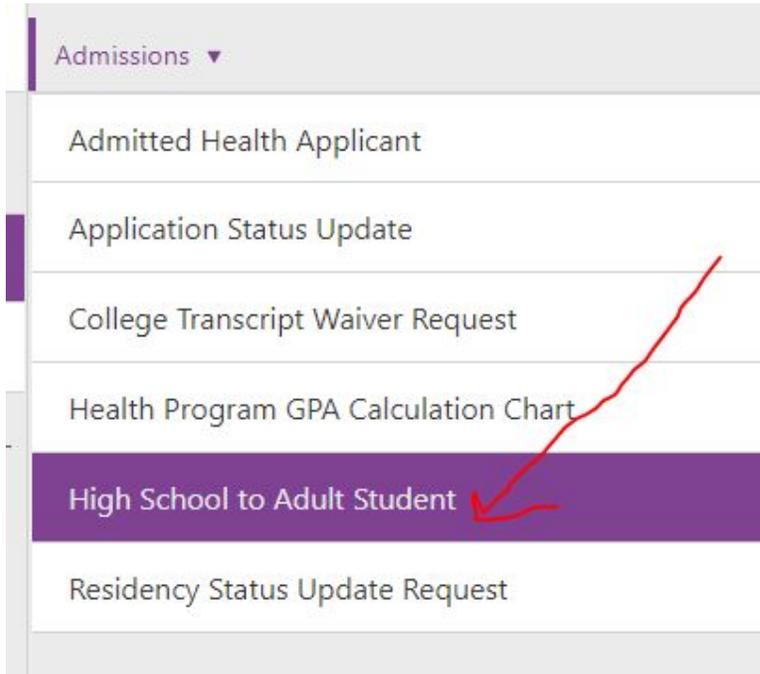
Next, click on " Forms (Etrieve)"



Enter login information (yours will look a little different since I am automatically logged in). Students will enter their SPCC log in.



CCP to SPCC STUDENT



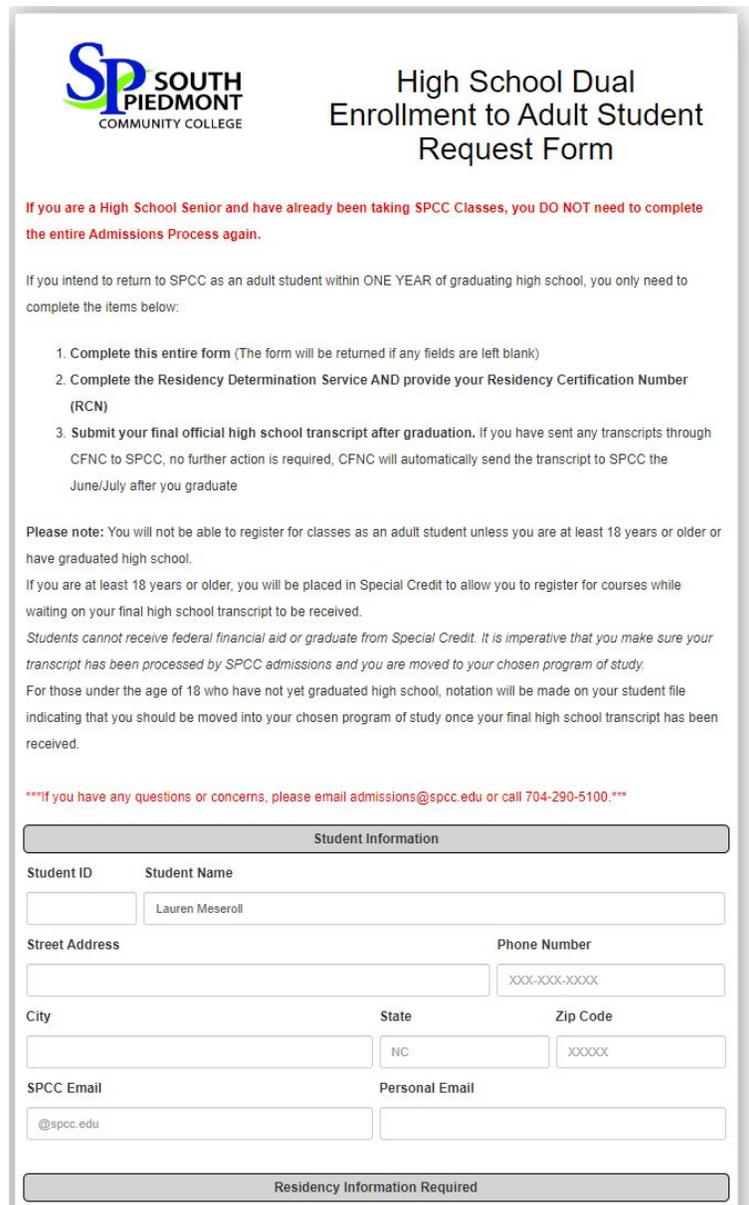
Admissions ▾

- Admitted Health Applicant
- Application Status Update
- College Transcript Waiver Request
- Health Program GPA Calculation Chart
- High School to Adult Student**
- Residency Status Update Request

Under admissions click "High School to Adult Student"

The form will appear on the right hand side of the screen. (The form is longer than what is shown in the screenshot).

Please save the date 3.14.23 for Open House at SPCC. It will run from 4:00-8:00 and is a drop in event. More information will be coming at the end of the week. They will have program demonstrations, admissions assistance, financial aid assistance, a time for student to speak with faculty and staff, and various information sessions.



SP SOUTH PIEDMONT COMMUNITY COLLEGE

High School Dual Enrollment to Adult Student Request Form

If you are a High School Senior and have already been taking SPCC Classes, you DO NOT need to complete the entire Admissions Process again.

If you intend to return to SPCC as an adult student within ONE YEAR of graduating high school, you only need to complete the items below:

1. Complete this entire form (The form will be returned if any fields are left blank)
2. Complete the Residency Determination Service AND provide your Residency Certification Number (RCN)
3. Submit your final official high school transcript after graduation. If you have sent any transcripts through CFNC to SPCC, no further action is required, CFNC will automatically send the transcript to SPCC the June/July after you graduate

Please note: You will not be able to register for classes as an adult student unless you are at least 18 years or older or have graduated high school.

If you are at least 18 years or older, you will be placed in Special Credit to allow you to register for courses while waiting on your final high school transcript to be received.

Students cannot receive federal financial aid or graduate from Special Credit. It is imperative that you make sure your transcript has been processed by SPCC admissions and you are moved to your chosen program of study.

For those under the age of 18 who have not yet graduated high school, notation will be made on your student file indicating that you should be moved into your chosen program of study once your final high school transcript has been received.

If you have any questions or concerns, please email admissions@spcc.edu or call 704-290-5100.

Student Information		
Student ID	Student Name	
<input type="text"/>	Lauren Meseroll	
Street Address	Phone Number	
<input type="text"/>	XXX-XXX-XXXX	
City	State	Zip Code
<input type="text"/>	NC	XXXXX
SPCC Email	Personal Email	
@spcc.edu	<input type="text"/>	

Residency Information Required



ATHLETIC SCHOLARSHIPS

NCHSAA Scholarship

The NCHSAA offers 10 scholarship opportunities, ranging from for students of any varsity sport to specific sports (track & field, golf, lacrosse, wrestling, cross country, etc.). Please check out the opportunities [through this link](#). There are a few additional scholarship opportunities that can be found [through this link](#).

NC Cheerleading Coaches Association Scholarship

The Beverly Burnette Scholarship is awarded each year to the most outstanding senior cheerleader based on: Academic Achievement, Leadership, Dedication, Love of the Sport, four qualities that Ms. Burnette exemplified throughout her years of service with the NCCCA. While the amount may vary from year to year based on earnings from the State Championship, it is the intent to increase this amount each year as well as award 5 smaller scholarships as well. [Click HERE](#) for the application. [Click HERE](#) for more information.

Girls on the Run

Did you know Girls on the Run Union County has a \$1000 college scholarship that Girls on the Run alumni can apply for? Any girl who participated in Girls on the Run in Union County and will enter college in the fall of 2023 is eligible to apply. **The application deadline is April 8th.** Visit [the GOTR website](#) for more info.

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



SCHOLARSHIPS

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Aubrey Moore from Weddington Optimist Club

\$2,000 | Due: March 10 to Ms. Schaeffer
The Weddington Optimists are looking for individuals who will be enthusiastic and optimistic that the scholarship will help them meet their life goals as they embark on new life experiences. Part of the application is a two-page essay discussing why you deserve the scholarships, your volunteer work or jobs you've held in high school, and your future goals. [You can find the application HERE.](#)

Kiwanis Club of Monroe

\$2,500 | Due: February 24 to Ms. Schaeffer
Awarded to a senior who possesses strong character, a demonstrated belief in service to the community, and academic evidence predicting success in college. The purpose of the scholarship is to help a student who can be successful in college but may not receive financial assistance elsewhere. [You can find the application HERE.](#)

NC + UC Farm Bureau

\$2,000-\$18,000 | Due: March 7
In his honor, NC Farm Bureau awards the R. Flake Shaw Scholarship to students pursuing higher education in an agricultural-related discipline.

- Eligibility:
 - Intent to pursue a career in agriculture or an agricultural-related field
 - Financial need
 - Satisfactory grades
 - Understanding of agricultural and/or agribusiness
 - Leadership potential

[You can find the application HERE.](#)

Dr. Ed Davis Scholarship

\$3,000 | Due: March 12
Create a two-minute surprise video tribute to a UCPS teacher who has had a profound influence on you for a scholarship opportunity. [You can find the application HERE.](#)

Annie B. Cherry

\$1,000 | Due: April 1

Awarded to one student with an interest in pursuing higher learning and career goals with a demonstrated commitment to education and service. Look out for the application.

Waxhaw Women's Club

\$2,500-\$5,000 | Due: April 1

Seeking young women from the senior class of UCPS who plan to attend a 2- or 4-year college. [You can find the application HERE.](#)

ADK Future Teacher

\$1,000 | Due: mid-April

Pi Chapter of ADK Teacher Organization offers a scholarship to a qualified senior female planning to major in education. Look out for the application.

Charlotte Knights

\$1,000 | Due: April 24

Eligibility:

- GPA of at least 3.3 on a 4.0 scale
- Minimum SAT score of 1200 SAT score or 26 ACT score
- Member of at least one (1) sports team at your high school or other extracurricular activity
- Heavy involvement in the community or multiple hours of volunteer experience
- Various scholarships available, including for STEM, education, and healthcare

[You can find the applications HERE.](#)

UC Association of Educational Office Professionals

\$500 (3) | Due: April 3

- EOP Scholarship is open to seniors whose parent is a member of UCAEOP.
- Memorial Scholarship is open to all seniors who are children of UCPS employees.
- Billy Stegall Memorial Scholarship is open to all UCPS seniors.

[You can find the application HERE. There is also a Cover Sheet.](#)

Rosa L. Posten and Jeanette B. Sherrod

\$1,000 | Due: mid-April

Eligibility:

- A young African-American women
- a senior scheduled to graduate in the spring of the current year.
- accepted to at least one accredited four-year college/university
- have leadership potential as evidenced by her school and community activities.

[You can find the application HERE.](#)

UC Extension Master Gardener

\$1,000 | Due: May 1

This award will be based on academic standing, student personal statement, and one teacher/counselor recommendation. Student statements should explain why the student deserves this scholarship, their educational goals, and what they plan to do with their degree. [You can find the application HERE.](#)



College Visits/Scholarships

APR 22 | 2023

MISS UNION COUNTY SCHOLARSHIP Pageant

Union County Agricultural Center, Monroe
0-24 years old

Mini Miss Pageant 1:00-4:00pm
Miss Union County Pageant 6:00-9:00pm

For more information email us:
missunioncountypageant@gmail.com or find us on
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2023 - 2024 SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

[Click here to download application](#)

OR

[Scan here for application](#)



Scholarship Value: \$2,000

Application Deadline: March 31, 2023

Eligibility Requirements:

- * Possess minimum G.P.A 2.5 or higher [non-weighted] or minimum G.P.A 3.5 or higher [weighted]
- *Attending an accredited 4 year university/college in Fall 2023
- * Graduating High School Senior residing and attending school in Anson or Union County, NC

Have a question? Email us at aka@alphaalphachiomega.org

www.alphaalphachiomega.org



[Click here to access the application](#)

COLLEGE REP VISITS

Register in Scoir!

February

15

Cabarrus College of Health Science

March

20

Temple University, Japan Campus

COLLEGE REP VISITS

March

21

IE University

March

23

University of South Carolina: Beaufort

April

5

University of Mississippi



How to Create an FSA ID

The FSA ID – a username and password – must be used to log in to certain U.S. Department of Education websites. Your FSA ID confirms your identity when you access your financial aid information and electronically sign Federal Student Aid documents.

Both parents and students need FSA IDs because most students are considered dependents and therefore not allowed to sign the FAFSA by themselves. There are specific criteria for independent students, who do not need a parent signature.

If you do not already have an FSA ID, you can create one when logging in to [FAFSA.gov](https://fafsa.gov).

- When you go to [FAFSA.gov](https://fafsa.gov), click the button prompting you to create an FSA ID
- Create a username and password
- Use your personal email address and phone number
- Enter your name, date of birth, SSN, contact information, and challenge questions and answers
- Review your information and read and accept the terms and conditions
- Confirm your email address and phone number using the secure codes. Once you verify your email address, you can use either your email or username to log in to the websites.

The FAFSA Priority Application Deadline is coming up quickly! After March 1st, you're significantly less likely to receive scholarship and grant money in your financial aid package and more likely to receive loan offers.

WHAT YOU NEED TO
COMPLETE FAFSA

parent birthdays, including year

your SSN

current savings

your parent's SSN

2021 taxes for you and parents

IMPORTANT NOTE Your parents/guardians will have to create an FSA ID as well. If your parents/guardians do not have a Social Security Number (SSN), please enter 000-00-000. If you have any questions, please see your college advisor.



Going Merry

Expert college planning resources for parents delivered directly to your inbox.

We know how overwhelming the college process can be.

That's why we created our **free monthly newsletter** for parents that includes everything you need to know about financial aid, college planning, and the transition from high school to college.

Each month you'll receive timely and relevant guides, tools, and scholarships for you and your child.

First Name

Email

Child's Grade Level
-- Select one-- ▼

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Going Merry is a great resource for both students and parents. They store the applications for a number of scholarships, making it easy for students to apply with one account, and they provide guidance on FAFSA and the application process.

Five Things You Need to Know About Financial Aid Appeals

Thursday, March 9th
7:30pm ET / 4:30pm PT

Mark Salisbury
Co-founder and CEO
TuitionFit



Stuart Siegel
Founder
FinancialAidNow.com



Featured Expert: Stuart Siegel, Founder, FinancialAidNow.com

Host: Mark Salisbury, Co-founder and CEO of TuitionFit

If you had a 3 in 4 chance of getting more money in a financial aid appeal, would you do it? Surprisingly only 40 percent of families even tried last year. In this interactive live Q&A we'll help you be a smarter consumer by understanding:

- What you need to know to read a financial aid award letter
- The ways colleges try to distract you from recognizing your actual price
- Should I appeal? Factors to consider
- How to make a compelling case for additional financial aid
- Common mistakes to avoid (besides not trying)

(Can't join us live? Don't worry. We'll send out a copy of the recording to all who register, regardless of whether you attend.)

[**REGISTER HERE**](#)

ACT Blitz

COLLEGE
READINESS

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UNION COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

2022-2023
College Readiness Series

@UCPSCollegePrep @ucpscollegeready

ACT Blitz

Saturday, March 4, 2023

10 AM - 12 PM

Porter Ridge High School

To register visit: <https://bit.ly/collegereadysessions>

Learn tips and strategies for success on the ACT. UCPS will be joined by our partners from Huntington Learning Center Weddington.

This event is for students only.



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2022-2023
Preparación para la
universidad

@UCPSCollegePrep @ucpscollegeready

ACT Blitz

sábado, 4 de marzo, 2023

10 AM - 12 PM

Porter Ridge High School

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Este evento es solamente para estudiantes.





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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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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 raciones. 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

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CAREER & COLLEGE PROMISE, PARENT INFORMATION



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 or
704.290.5090



COMMERCIAL FOOD POLICY AT PRHS

- The school will not accept commercial food items delivered to students during school hours. Students may either bring lunch from home, or may purchase lunch from the PRHS cafe.
- **Students are not to have commercial food delivered to school. Orders will be refused at the purchaser's expense.**

Parent Toolkit for Working with youth on the prevention of vaping and the use of e-cigarettes.

[CLICK HERE](#)

Students: STOP VAPING!

It's against UCPS rules, but most of all its not healthy! It is against YOU!





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



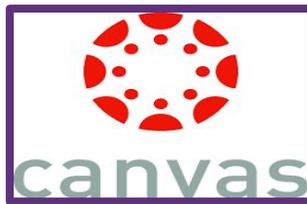
PowerSchool Parent Portal to keep up with attendance and grades.

[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.

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](#)

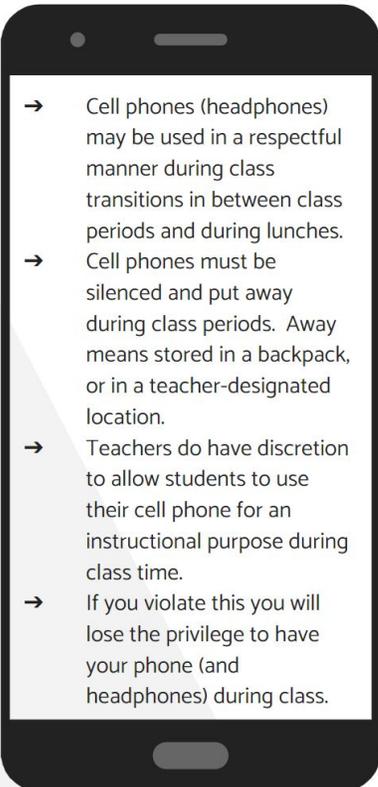
[Transportation information](#) can be found on the [UCPS Transportation pages](#).

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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