



Pirate Press



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Dear Pirate Family,

We are already two weeks into the school year and have many great things happening academically, athletically, and with student life activities. This is a reminder for students that the Student Life Organization Fair(Clubs) is happening right now. Pay attention to our daily announcements, social media, read the **student announcement canvas page daily**, and take a look at our club trifold boards in the cafeteria and Grand Central hallway! In addition, all students received an **agenda/planner book** in first period this week and we hope that students will use these agendas and develop the important leadership skill of organization. See Page 2 for details. Parents please join the PTSO at the link below. This organization exists to support our students, teachers, and school throughout the year.

The week of September 19 is **Progress Check-in Week**. Teachers will have grades updated for students and parents, and this is the time for parents and students to check grades, so students can right the ship if needed. Teachers will conference on progress with students in each class and help plan a course for success.

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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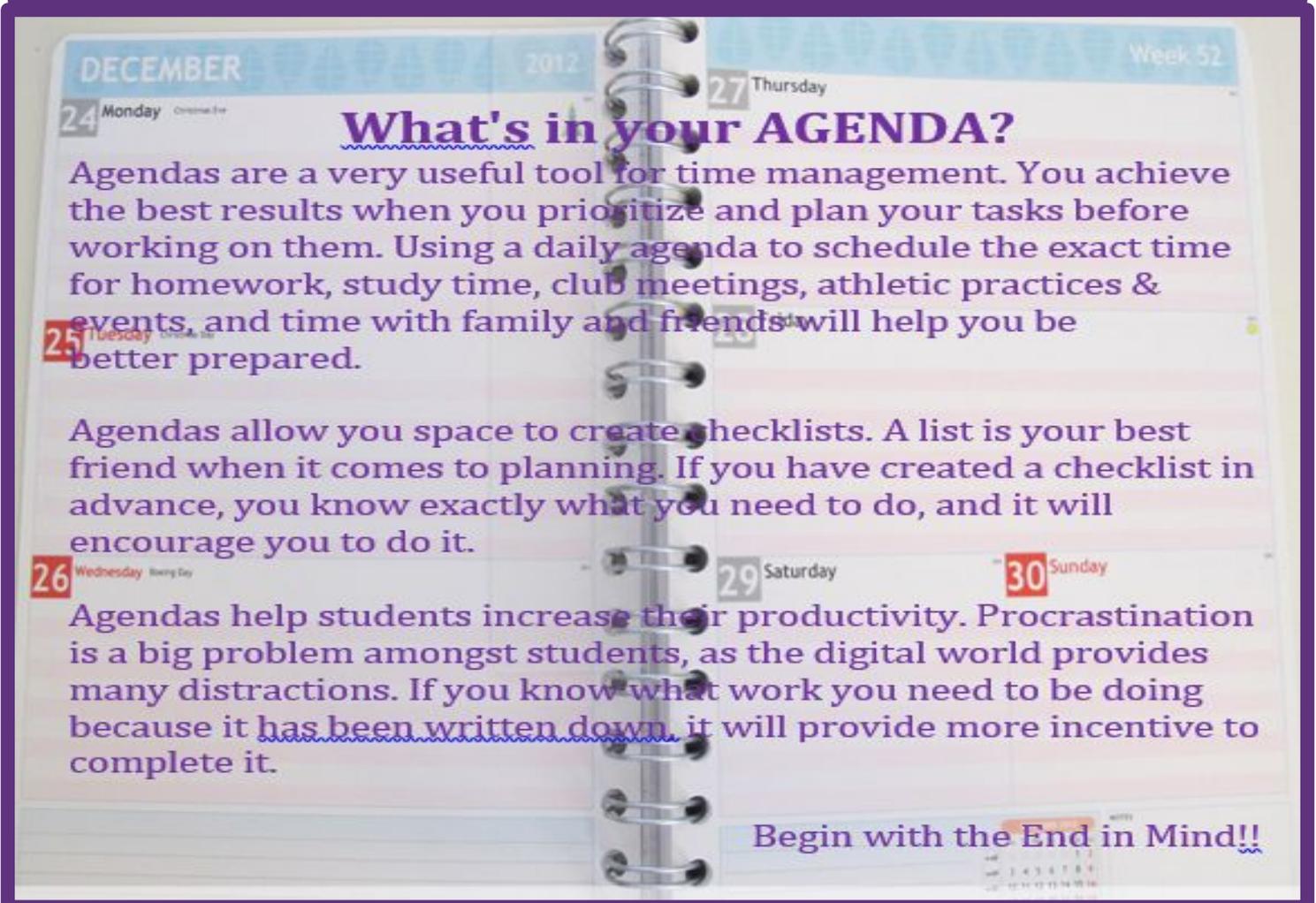


STUDENT AGENDA FOR SUCCESS



Daily Student Reminders to be Organized and in the KNOW about important school events and to keep track of doing your academic work! Make a Plan!

1. Check your **Daily Student Announcement Canvas Page** in the morning for all important announcements from PRHS.
2. Check your **school email** for any emails from teachers or staff.
3. Listen to the **daily announcements** fourth period.
4. **Use your new agenda book to keep track of your school assignments, practices, student life organization meetings, and to do lists.**
5. Check the **Daily Student Announcements Canvas Page** at the end of the day.





STUDENT LIFE



LIST OF STUDENT LIFE ORGANIZATIONS

- Battle of the Books
- Beta Club
- Book Club
- Computer Science Club
- Disc Golf
- Dungeons and Dragons Club
- FCCLA
- Film Club
- French Club
- FBLA
- FFA
- Gaming Club
- Gay Straight Alliance (GSA)
- Girl Up Club
- Governmental Studies Club
- Growing Green Environmental (Interest)
- HOSA
- Humanities
- Improv
- Interact
- Junior Classical League
- Key Club
- Knitting and Crocheting Club
- MHA-SAVES
- Model UN
- Mu Alpha Theta
- National Art Honor Society (NAHS)
- National English Honors Society / Creative Writing (NEHS)

PRHS Student Life Organization Fair September 6-16

LOOK!



LOOK!

Pirates explore and join an organization during these two weeks! Reconnect if you are already an active member! Information on Student Life Organizations opportunities will be in our Grand Central Station and Lunch area (Hallways) for students to browse, sign up, and join during advisory and lunches. Stay tuned for more details

- National Honor Society (NHS)
- Philosophy Club
- Pirates for Christ
- RHO Kappa
- Ridge Rowdies
- Robotics Club
- ROTC
- Science National Honor Society (SNHS)
- Spanish Club
- Speech and Debate Team
- National Spanish Honor Society (NSHS)
- UMOJA
- Yearbook





STUDENT LIFE ANNOUNCEMENTS



- Attention all students interested in applying for National Honor Society- applications are NOW available for pickup! Mr. Chavis (G205) and Mr. Howard (E210) have applications available by their doors.
- Join National English Honors Society and Creative Writing Club after school on Friday, September 9 in G107, Mrs. Hill's room for about 45 minutes. Anyone can join and participate, but you must meet certain requirements to become a part of the Honors Society that we will discuss at the meeting.
- Rho Kappa will have a meeting with all current members Friday, September 9th at 7:45am in room F207.
- Please attend our first FCCLA meeting on September 13 3:05 -4 pm room D101
- Interested in applying for PR's math honor society? The application window is open now until next Friday, Sept. 16! Apply online through Mu Alpha Theta's instagram (@prhsmualphatheta) or via our Canvas page. Please see Mr. Howard or Mrs. Cooper with any questions.
- Those who are interested in applying for National Honor Society now have until Friday, September 16, to turn in their application and summer hours. This is for NEW applicants only! Returning members must submit their hours by Friday, 9/9 on Canvas. Please email or see Mr. Chavis in G205 or Mr. Howard in E210 with any questions.
- Do you love Art? Do you have interest in using art for good in our school and community? If you have an overall 3.0 GPA and have completed Visual Arts 1, consider applying for National Art Honor Society! The QR code to access the application is posted on Mrs. Crowley and Mrs. Baucom's classroom doors, as well as on the posters around the school. Applications are due by September 16th at 3:00pm. See Crowley or Baucom with questions!
- Do you like to game? Want to hang out with some friends? The Gaming Club will be starting up our weekly meetings on Wednesday, September 14th. We will meet every Wednesday from 3:10-4:30 in E111. Please see Mr. Sweet if you have any questions!
- There will be a track & field interest meeting on Wednesday September 14th. The meeting will take place after school in the media center until 4pm. We will be covering important information in regards to the Indoor & Spring seasons. All athletes are highly encouraged to attend. Any athlete not able to attend, please see Coach Tanferno for details.
- Ridge Rowdies Water Wars Meeting, 3:10 PM, Monday, September 12, E107
- Beta Club Meeting, 7:30 AM, Tuesday, September 13, Auditorium
- Improv Club Meeting, 3:10 PM, Tuesday, September 13, A109
- FCCLA Meeting, 3:10 PM, Tuesday, September 13, D101
- Gaming Club, 3:10 PM, Wednesday, September 13, E111
- Sand Volleyball, 3:30 PM, Wednesday, September 13, At the Court
- Battle of the Books, 3:10 PM, Thursday, September 14, Media Center

Welcome back to Cricut Club!



First Meeting:
Sept. 14
3:05-4:15 G105c
\$15 Club Fees

PRHS Speech and Debate Team



<https://bit.ly/PRHSSpeechandDebate>

MEETING RETURNING MEMBERS ONLY



September 27, 2022
7:35 am in Auditorium

dylan.chavis@ucps.k12.nc.us



FFA MUM SALE



Porter Ridge FFA

FALL MUM SALE



Orders Due: 9/16
Pick-up: 9/21
Pick-up will be at
PRHS greenhouse

GO TO THE ONLINE SCHOOL
PAYMENTS PAGE FROM THE PRHS
WEBSITE OR SCAN THE QR CODE
BELOW TO ORDER ONLINE.



SIZES:
8" FOR \$7
10" FOR \$12

COLORS:
ORANGE, PURPLE,
RED & YELLOW



SEND QUESTIONS TO:
CASSIDY.STARNES@UCPS.K12.NC.US



CLASS OF 2023 SENIOR PACKAGE



Click on the Image [or here](#) to purchase

CLASS OF 2023

Senior Packets



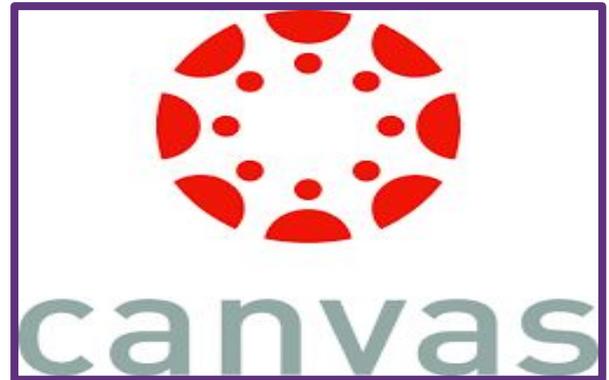
Packets Include:
Shirts
Shorts
Yard Signs
Bags
Hoodies
and MORE!

Order at Porterridgeband.org
September 1st - September 30th

**LAST
CHANCE**



ISSUES WITH CHROMEBOOKS & CANVAS PARENT & POWER SCHOOL



PowerSchool Parent Portal to keep up with attendance and grades.

(This opens on Day 10 for high schools)

[Click here](#) for information.

Parents Be a Canvas Observer

[Click here](#) for instructions

GOT CHROMEBOOK ISSUES?

Location: D105 inside Media Center; Who: Mr. Walden or Ms. Snelson; students can email 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.**

Tonight we celebrated Nathan Carnes 4A
NCHSAA 220 lb weight class STATE CHAMP!!!

PIRATE 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](#)

Nathan Carnes 4A NCHSAA 220 lb weight class
STATE CHAMP wa presented his ring this past
Friday Night at the football game !



[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.



PIRATE ATHLETICS

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



THIS WEEK AT PORTER RIDGE HIGH

12
MONDAY

Soccer vs West Stanley
6:00 (Vars only)

13
TUESDAY

Womens tennis @ Marvin Ridge (4:00)

Volleyball @ Piedmont
4:30/6:00

Soccer vs CATA
5:30/7:00

14
WEDNESDAY

NO EVENTS

15
THURSDAY

Volleyball vs Cuthbertson
4:30/6:00

Soccer vs Parkwood
6:00

JV Football @ Cardinal Gibbons
6:00

16
FRIDAY

Varsity Football vs Cardinal Gibbons
7:00

17
SATURDAY

NO EVENTS



#LETSGOPR

RESULTS THIS WEEK

FOOTBALL

JV Football loss vs Hickory Ridge
Varsity Football loss vs Hickory Ridge

GIRLS TENNIS

Varsity loss to Piedmont

VOLLEYBALL

JV win vs Parkwood
Varsity win vs Parkwood

SOCCER

JV win vs Palisades
Varsity win vs Palisades



[CLICK HERE FOR SPIRIT WEAR](#)



COUNSELING CENTER



Who is your counselor?

Ashley Lawson- last names A-Cou
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

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)

Interested in taking a class as a Pass/Fail course? Swing by the guidance office to pick up the form. All Pass/Fail forms are due back by September 12th.

COLLEGE ENTRANCE EXAMS 101: SEPT. 22

Register here for a webinar presented by the UCPS College Readiness department and Huntington Learning Center. Provides information about the basic features of the SAT and ACT as well as differences between the two tests.





COUNSELING CENTER



SENIOR NIGHT

FOR AFTER HIGH SCHOOL PLANS



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

DAVIDSON COLLEGE VISIT

SEPT. 13TH @ 1PM

in the Cafeteria!

Please sign up through your student Scoir account if you are interested in attending!




Save THE Date

**NC COUNTDOWN TO COLLEGE
OCTOBER 2022**

**COLLEGE APPLICATION WEEK:
OCTOBER 17 – 21**




**CACRAO
Union County
College Fair
at CATA on
October 16th
at 2:00 pm.**



CLASS OF 2023 & COLLEGE ADVISER



Important Links

[College Advising Website](#)

[Calendly for Meetings](#)

[Calendar for Events and Deadlines](#)

Instagram:

@Pirates2College

[Calendar for Events and Deadlines](#)

[Deadlines](#)

Information from Ms. Schaeffer

Porter Ridge Schedule: Mondays, Tuesdays, and alternating Fridays

- **Put all of the schools you intend to apply to are under the “Applying” column on your Scoir account**
- Request teacher recommendations ASAP. **You should ask no later than 2 weeks before your application is due, and you should ask in person—it’s polite!** Learn how to make the requests on Scoir [HERE](#).
- Sign up for upcoming College Visits in Scoir - [CLICK HERE](#) for instructions
- **When you’re filling out the Common Application, please ONLY put counselor and teacher names, NOT email addresses.** Because we use Scoir, when you add email addresses, the process of colleges identifying supplemental documents gets held up, and that can mean you don’t hear back as quickly about your application. **If you’ve already added your counselor and/or teacher and their email addresses in Common App, you need to go edit it and take out the email address ASAP.**

2023
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COLLEGE AND CAREER OPPORTUNITIES



LAWA High School Events

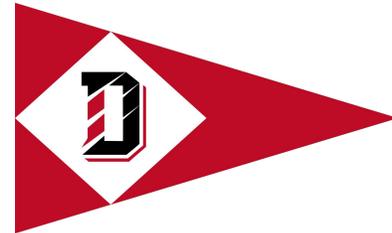
Free bilingual information session for students and caregivers on how to prepare, plan and pay for postsecondary education. Learn about college applications, financial aid, career paths, bachelor & associate degrees, trade and vocational program options, & campus tours. Free transportation from select sites.

[Register here!](#)

HBCU Pride Experience on 9/10

[Register here](#) for a Charlotte event featuring an HBCU-only college fair, college-focused workshops, and food trucks!

[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](#)



Upcoming College Visits

College visits take place just outside of the Auditorium from 11:30-12:30. Register in SCOIR. All grades welcome!

9/13: Davidson College (1:00 pm)

10/04: East Carolina University

10/11: Appalachian State University





SCHOLARSHIPS



NC State: Park

[Click here](#) to start the application process.

Davidson College: Bryan

This scholarship is specifically for ATHLETES. [Click here](#) to learn more.

Lenoir-Rhyne: Teaching

Scholars receive an award of \$5500 a year. If you are interested in being nominated, please let Ms. Schaeffer know by Sept. 19th. [Click here](#) to learn more.

QuestBridge

Matches high-achieving, low-income students with prestigious schools and provides a full-cost scholarship for all 4 years at the school. The 1st stage of the application is due Sept. 27th, and you can find out more via [this link](#).

UNC CH: Thomas Wolfe

Offers annually a scholarship for full undergraduate support to one incoming student writer.

Application due Nov. 15th; [learn more here](#).

Union County Student of Success

Two \$1,000 scholarships to Union County seniors. Apply by Nov. 18th.

[Click here](#) to learn more.

SCHOLARSHIPS: Keep reviewing scholarships throughout your senior year! New info will be highlighted in **PURPLE!**

[Pirate Scholarship Document-Click HERE](#)



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)

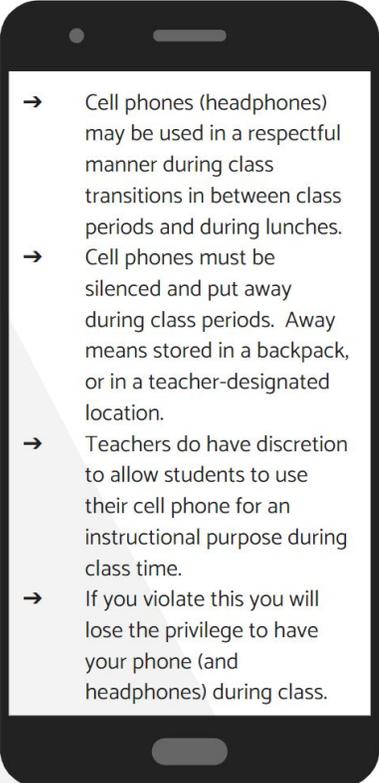
Click [here](#) for more information on meal prices.

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.

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- Cell phones (headphones) may be used in a respectful manner during class transitions in between class periods and during lunches.
 - Cell phones must be silenced and put away during class periods. Away means stored in a backpack, or in a teacher-designated location.
 - Teachers do have discretion to allow students to use their cell phone for an instructional purpose during class time.
 - If you violate this you will lose the privilege to have your phone (and headphones) during class.



PIRATE PORTS OF INFORMATION



Ports of Information for Pirates:

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