



# Pirate Press

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Dear Pirate Family,

To the Class of 2023 we are proud to announce **Graduation** is at the Porter Ridge High School Stadium on Tuesday, June 13, 2023 at 8 PM. More details will go out to Seniors and families later in the school year.

The end of **first six weeks grading period** is this Friday, October 7. Students are reminded to keep up with their grades in PowerSchool and check with teachers about their progress in class. Students have 2 more six week grading periods and final exams to enhance their grades. Finish this six weeks strong! Report Cards go home on October 17.

We are starting our **Pirate Recovery** Sessions for students who need to recover absences, improve grades, need tutoring, and need help with homework. Please check out [page 2](#) for full details. Sessions will be on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday of each week from 3:10 to 4:10 PM in the media center. We will have a Math, Science, English, and Social Studies teacher here for students.

Students are reminded to continue to check the **Student Canvas Announcement Page** to be updated daily on events at PRHS, as well as, use the provided **Agenda Books** to write down and keep track of important due dates and school events.

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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Follow us on Facebook: [PorterRidgeHS.NC](#)

Follow us on Twitter: [@PorterRidgeHSNC](#)

Follow us on Instagram: [@porterridgehs](#)





# PIRATE RECOVERY



## PRHS PIRATE RECOVERY



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

### ABSENCE RECOVERY

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

### TUTORING

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

### HOMEWORK HELP

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

### CREDIT RECOVERY

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

### REMINDERS:

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





# ACADEMICS, LEADERSHIP & ADVISORY



Always fun investigating Projectile Motion in AP Physics with Ms. Greer!



Congrats to our Junior Athletes that were selected to represent PRHS at the Captains Academy sponsored by Charlotte FC! We are excited for the opportunity for them to grow and learn as leaders!

Maggie Green  
Robyn Harvey  
Jayden Camp  
Harrison Johnson  
Danny Kennedy





# STUDENT LIFE ANNOUNCEMENTS



- > Attention Pirates! **Homecoming ticket sales** have started and will continue through Friday, October 7th! Buy your tickets for \$25, cash or check, at all lunches! We hope to see you there!
- > First **Umoja** Meeting Thursday 10-13-22 3:05 - 3:45 in F105F. See Ms. Hoff with questions! If you are interested in developing your leadership skills, promoting community bonding, college readiness, accessing viable post-secondary educational and vocational opportunities, visiting Historically Black Colleges come join Club Umoja. Enrollment forms are available through October 7th in Room F105F. An enrollment fee of \$20 covers this year's club t-shirt.
- > Anyone interested in applying for **Beta Club** should fill out the online application. The application can be found on the Student Canvas announcements, The Beta Club page on the school website, or on the classroom doors of any sponsor. Mr. Beard, Ms. Whitley or Mr. Ruhland. Students must be in 10-12th grade and have an unweighted GPA of 3.5. Returning members do not need to fill out a form. The first meeting will be on October 11th at 7:15 in the auditorium. Applications are due on October 7th.
- > **Ghosts, Mummies, Jack-o-Lanterns and Frankenstein** have invaded the library in their spooky jars! Sign up to come and make your own after school on 10/18! [Use the Google link on the PRHS webpage](#) to sign up by Oct 14th. All supplies and light refreshments will be provided.
- > Buy your **yearbooks** for the cheapest price of \$75 from now until October 15th. Purchase your yearbooks at [yearbookforever.com](http://yearbookforever.com)
- > Join **National English Honors Society / Creative Writing** in Mrs. Hill's room, G107 on Friday, October 7. We will plan activities for Fall Fest and other fun things we'd like to do! Anyone can join, but juniors and seniors may qualify for the honors society. See Mrs. Hill for information.
- > Congratulations to **Miley Malcolm and Harley Rathbun** for winning the **Media Center's Bubble Gum Guess How Many Contest!** There were 299 items in the jar and they both guessed 297! Next Guess How Many there will be starting the week of Oct. 17th!
- > The **Spanish club** will have their next meeting October 11, in room F102. Students interested in being part of the club are still welcome. Don't forget to drop off this week or the day of the meeting any cultural item you want to share for the media center display and the candy for the Fall festival.
- > Bonjour Pirates! **French club** will meet on Monday, October 10th in room F101 from 3:10-4:00 pm to begin work on Fall fest activities and discuss upcoming events. If you have candy to donate or other items for fall fest please bring them with you.
- > Interested in learning to act in a stress free environment? Want to have fun and play theatre games? Join us for improv club on Tuesday October 11th in A109 from 3:10-5.
- > **ITS** please remember there is a mandatory ITS meeting on October 12th from 3-5 in A109
- > Join us for a night of comedy as Porter Ridge High School's Castaway's present **Check Please & The One Act That Went Wrong** October 20th at 7:00 PM. Tickets are \$7 and available at [porterridgehs.seatyourself.biz](http://porterridgehs.seatyourself.biz) or at the door.
- > There will be an interest meeting for students wanting to play **Men's Lacrosse** on Monday October 10th in the Cafeteria at 6:00pm. See you there!
- > Next **FCCLA** Meeting 10/11, Room D101 3:05-4 pm
- > The **Junior Classical League** will meet this TUESDAY, October 11 after school in G111 to plan for the fall season. Students interested in Greek and Greco-Roman culture are welcome. Snacks are provided.

## PRHS Speech and Debate Team



<https://bit.ly/PRHSSpeechandDebate>



**PORTER RIDGE BETA CLUB**  
**JOIN BETA CLUB TODAY!**  
 Requirements - 10-12th Grade  
 Unweighted GPA of 3.5

**Our first meeting:**  
 October 11th | 7:15AM | Auditorium

Scan the QR CODE BELOW TO ACCESS THE ONLINE APPLICATION. You will need two teacher recommendations. You will receive those forms once you apply.



# STUDENT LIFE AND HOMECOMING EVENTS



## Homecoming Week 2022

WEEK OF 10/17-10/21



**Monday 10/17**

**Class Wars**

9th- Neon  
10th- Jersey  
11th- Tropical  
12th- USA

Class Wars during 4th block

**Tuesday 10/18**

**Touchdown Tuesday**

9th- Yellow  
10th- Green  
11th- Pink  
12th- Blue

Powderpuff @ 5:45

**Wednesday 10/19**

**Wacky Tourist Wednesday**

**Thursday 10/20**

**Throwback Thursday**

**Friday 10/21**

**Pirate Pride day**

Homecoming game @7 pm

**SATURDAY 10/15:  
HOMECOMING DANCE 8-11 PM**

**SATURDAY 10/22:  
PIRATE COVE CLASSIC**

**REMINDER!**

HOMECOMING  
TICKET SALES  
STARTING NOW  
AT LUNCHES!

\$25 CASH OR CHECK  
MADE OUT TO PRHS  
ON SALE FROM SEPT.  
23RD- OCT. 7TH



**CLASS WARS**

**October 17th during 4th block**



# STUDENT LIFE AND HOMECOMING EVENTS



## REMINDER!!

**POWDERPUFF IS FREE TO WATCH!!!**  
**COME TO GET 2 SPIRIT POINTS!**

Oct. 18th: **Kickoff @5:45**

**Wear your team's colors to support!!!**



## PINK OUT

Friday, October 7th  
7pm @ Weddington

Dress up in **pink** at school AND the football game to get spirit points!  
1 point for basic and 3 points for all out!!

## HUGE CONFERENCE MATCH! SOCCER TAILGATE PURPLE OUT

Come show your support for Pirate Men's Soccer by coming out to their big conference match on Wednesday against Piedmont! There will be a tailgate beforehand at the sand volleyball court starting at 5:30pm and running until 6:30.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12



PORTER RIDGE

VS

PIEDMONT



7:00 PM

THE FIRST 60 PEOPLE TO COME TO THE TAILGATE BEFORE THE GAME DRESSED IN PURPLE GET IN TO THE GAME FOR FREE ALONG WITH GETTING A FREE VUVUZELA.





# YEARBOOKS



***2 WEEKS LEFT***

**TO BUY YOUR YEARBOOKS  
AT THE LOWEST PRICE OF \$75**

Prices rise October 15th

**Grab your copy by scanning the  
QR code or visiting  
[yearbookforever.com](http://yearbookforever.com)**





# SENIOR YEARBOOK ADS



## Buy Your Senior Ad!

celebrate your senior with a custom senior tribute of  
your favorite photos  
purchase by Dec 1st

- full page - \$300
- 1/2 page - \$175
- 1/4 page - \$110
- 1/8 page - \$60



scan the QR Code or head to [yearbookforever.com](http://yearbookforever.com)

### *Congratulations Jocelyn!*



It has been joyful watching you blossom into the woman you are. We look forward with pride and joy to see the woman you will become.

*Love, Mom and Dad*



*"You have brains in your head. You have feet in your shoes. You can steer yourself any direction you choose."*  
—Dr. Seuss

Congratulations!  
We are so proud of you and all you've accomplished!



Malachi,

Never doubt that you are valuable and powerful and deserving of every chance and opportunity in the world to pursue and achieve your own dreams. Remember you only fail when you stop trying. We cannot wait to see what the future holds for you!

Put God first in everything that you do and he will never fail you!

Love,  
Dad, Mama, Micah and Mavric



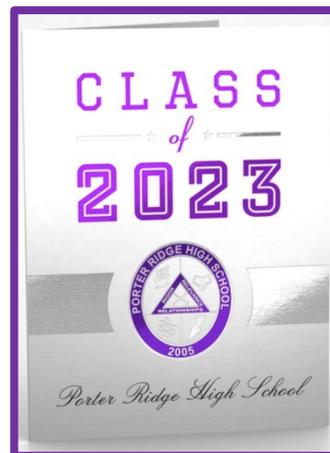


# SENIOR CAP & GOWNS, CLASS OF 2023



**ATTENTION SENIORS:  
TIME TO PLACE YOUR GRADUATION ORDER.**

**YOU CAN'T SKIP THIS!!**



Attention Porter Ridge Seniors and Parents: .It is Officially time for you to order your Cap & Gown, Porter Ridge Graduation Announcements and 2023 senior gear! Orders can also be placed online starting today by following the instructions below.

**Order Deadline for discounted group pricing: *Friday, October 14***

***How to Order Online: [Click HERE](#) to access the Porter Ridge Ordering Website.***

## How to Order

1. [Click HERE](#) to go to [jostens.com](http://jostens.com).
2. Select [Graduation](#)
3. You will see an all-in-one graduation package options. You may order a package, or you may proceed to the individual items ordering page by clicking "shop now" below the packages if you wish to order just the cap & gown or individual items.

If you need further assistance, or would rather order over the phone, Jostens can be reached at (800)567-8367.



# 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](#)



[CLICK HERE FOR](#)

[HOME EVENT TICKETS](#)

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



Friday, October 7 Football is AT  
Weddington 7 PM; Come out and  
support the Pirates. It is a **PINK OUT**

[CLICK HERE FOR SPIRIT WEAR](#)





# PIRATE ATHLETICS

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



Porter Ridge HIGH SCHOOL

## THIS WEEK IN ATHLETICS



# 10

Monday

5:30/7:00  
SOCCER @ SUN  
VALLEY (AWAY)

W GOLF  
CONFERENCE  
TOURNEY @  
FIRETHORNE

# 11

Tuesday

4:30 /7:00  
VOLLEYBALL @  
WEDDINGTON  
(AWAY)

4:00  
FIELD HOCKEY @  
PHS (AWAY)

# 12

Wednesday

5:30/7:00  
SOCCER VS  
PIEDMONT (HOME)

# 13

Thursday

4:30/6:00  
VOLLEYBALL VS  
SUNVALLEY  
(HOME)

6:00  
JV FOOTBALL VS  
CUTHBERTSON  
(HOME)

# 14

Friday

7:00  
VARS FOTTBALL @  
CUTHBERTSON  
(AWAY)

### RESULTS THIS WEEK

#### FOOTBALL

JV loss vs Marvin Ridge  
Varsity Win vs. Marvin Ridge 27-20 in OT

#### GIRLS TENNIS

Varsity loss to Marvin Ridge and  
Weddington

#### VOLLEYBALL

Varsity win vs Piedmont 3-2  
Varsity loss to East Meck in a close one 2-3  
Varsity loss to Cuthbertson  
JV win vs East Meck 2-0  
JV win vs Piedmont  
JV loss to Piedmont and Cuthbertson

#### SOCCER

Varsity Loss to Weddington  
JV loss to Weddington

PORTER RIDGE HIGH SCHOOL

## BASKETBALL CHEER INTEREST MEETING

BASKETBALL CHEER  
INTEREST MEETING

OCTOBER 10th

COUNSELING  
LOBBY

3:15 P.M



PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS ON OCTOBER 10th!

For more information contact Mr. Lawson in the counselors office



# COUNSELING CENTER



## Who is your counselor?

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

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[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.

If you are a **sophomore or junior** and want to pursue a career in math or science, or if math and science is your favorite subject, you can hear more about the **North Carolina school of mathematics and science**. If you want to learn more about the North Carolina school of mathematics and science, please stop by the guidance department if interested and speak with Ms. Anderson.

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

## PRHS FINANCIAL AID NIGHT

**DATE – MONDAY, OCT 24TH**

**TIME – 6:30**

**WHERE – MEDIA CENTER**

**LEARN ABOUT FASFA, GRANTS, LOANS, AND  
SCHOLARSHIPS**

**Save THE Date**  
**NC COUNTDOWN TO COLLEGE  
OCTOBER 2022**  
**COLLEGE APPLICATION WEEK:  
OCTOBER 17 - 21**

College Foundation of North Carolina  
NC COUNTDOWN TO COLLEGE



# COUNSELING CENTER



## PRHS Parade Princess Scholarship

The Union County Parade Princess is an opportunity for one senior female from each high school within Union County to represent their school. This student should have leadership, academic excellence, and commitment to community service. Each high school representative will fill out an application, attend an interview (Thurs., Oct. 27th), could earn the Alex Kahle Scholarship (Thurs., Nov. 3rd), and attend the Monroe Christmas Parade (Sun., Nov. 20th). If interested be being nominated for this scholarship opportunity, please email or see Ms. Lawson by **October 13th**. If you have any questions, please reach out to Ms. Lawson.

## Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation

Each year the Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation awards 150 college scholarships worth \$20,000 to high school students across the United States through the Coca-Cola Program. Students need a 3.0 GPA and to fill out an online application that requires no essays, no recommendations, and no transcripts by **October 31st, at 5:00 pm.**  
[Click here for the application.](#)

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



*The Union County Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.*  
*Presents...*  
*2022-2023*  
*Debutante Cotillion:*  
*Young Ladies Leading the Way to the Future*



Young ladies in the 11th and 12 grades...It's YOUR time!!  
We invite YOU to participate in the 2022-2023 Cotillion.

Interested young ladies scan below to access more information and to apply or visit  
[www.unioncountydst.org/cotillion](http://www.unioncountydst.org/cotillion)



SCAN ME

Application deadline: October 16, 2022 by 11:59 pm

**A Debutante will:**

- Participate in development and enrichment workshops
- Bond with other AMAZING young ladies
- Raise funds to go towards college education
- Receive an elegant presentation to the community at the culminating ball event

*\*Union County Alumnae Chapter will adhere to all Delta Sigma Theta Inc. safety protocols.*



# CLASS OF 2023 & COLLEGE ADVISER



## Important Links

[College Advising Website](#)

[Calendly for Meetings](#)

Instagram: @Pirates2College

[Calendar for Events and](#)

[Deadlines](#)

## Information from Ms. Schaeffer

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

- **When you send me your essay, please make sure your name is in the title, the prompt you are using is at the top of the page, and I have editing access**
- Use your PERSONAL email address for applications
- 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.**
- For more information about North Carolina colleges, you can [check out this spreadsheet](#), which also has links to all of the schools' scholarship pages.



**SCHOLARSHIPS:** Keep reviewing scholarships throughout your senior year! New info will be highlighted in **PURPLE!**  
[Pirate Scholarship Document](#)



# COLLEGE AND CAREER OPPORTUNITIES



## LAWA High School Events

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

## Upcoming College Visits

Register in SCOIR. All grades welcome!

- 10/7: Radford University
- 10/11: Appalachian State University
- 10/14: Savannah College of Art and Design
- 10/17: College of Charleston
- 10/18: Tufts University
- 10/18: UNC Chapel Hill
- 10/24: UNC Greensboro
- 10/25: Wingate University
- 10/26: UNC Asheville



**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](#)



**UCPS**  
UNION COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS



## FREE ACT AND SAT PRACTICE

All students are enrolled in a grade-level course in Albert. This includes:

- A timed ACT practice test
- A timed SAT practice test
- Open independent practice

Go to your UCPS High School startup page and click on Albert. Log in with Clever and start practicing!

Want to learn more?

<https://bit.ly/Albertoverview22>



# SCHOLARSHIPS

## **UNC CH: Thomas Wolfe**

Offers annually a scholarship for full undergraduate support to one incoming student writer. Application due **November 15th**; [learn more here.](#)

## **Cooke Foundation Scholarship**

For high-achieving students with financial need. Up to \$55,000 per year toward any 4-year accredited undergraduate school. **Apply by 11/17/22.** [Click Here for more information.](#)

## **Golden Doors Scholarship**

For DACA, TPS, or undocumented students who could not otherwise afford college because of high financial need. **Apply by 10/23/22.** [Click here to learn more.](#)

## **NC State Park Scholarship**

School Endorsements are no longer part of the application process. Two rec letters 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.

## **UNCC Levine Scholarship**

School Endorsements are required to receive the application, which must be made by **10/8**. Two rec letters are required. If you are interested in applying for the Levine Scholarship, you must do so by **November 16th.**

## **The Dream.US Scholarship**

For highly motivated undocumented students who are unable to afford the cost of college. Application **OPENS 11/1/22.** [Click here to learn more.](#)



# 2022-2023 CTE INTERNSHIP



## “2022-2023 CTE Internship”

Attention 12<sup>th</sup> graders, if you have successfully completed at least two CTE courses in and reached concentrator status within a career pathway and are interested in participating in a CTE Internship spring semester, log into your Major Clarity account and select Work Based Learning Opportunities to fill out the application. Applications must be completed by October 15<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Webb at

[sarah.webb@ucps.k12.nc](mailto:sarah.webb@ucps.k12.nc)

[us](http://us)

## INTERNSHIP PORTER RIDGE

The UCPS Career and Technical Education (CTE) Internship Program provides high school seniors opportunity for hands-on experience in areas of career or academic interest prior to college or post-secondary training. Internships may be paid or unpaid. Applications are ranked and processed based on program criteria.

### QUALIFICATIONS CHECKLIST

- Senior during school year / rising senior for summer
- Has successfully completed at least two CTE courses and reached concentrator status within a career pathway (Priority given to students completed coursework in their internship field.)
- No more than 7 absences in any semester for the current and past two (2) years
- No suspensions (ISS or OSS) or serious disciplinary incidents on high school record
- Reliable transportation
- Encourage at least 2.5 overall GPA
- Can attend at least eight hours per week
- Positive feedback on references

### APPLICATION PROCESS

- Complete application in Major Clarity
- If you arrange your own internship, fill in details and contact information on the application
- For medical internships, submit vaccination records
- Interview with prospective sponsor(s), if necessary
- **Deadlines:** April 15 for a summer internship, May 1 for a first semester internship the following school year and October 1 (medical) or October 15 (non-medical) for a second semester internship.

### REQUIRED ASSIGNMENTS

Most assignments are completed online

- Time Sheet
- Journal
- Analysis Questions
- Terminology
- Workplace Readiness Modules
- Reflection Questions
- Capstone Project
- Career Development Articles
- Major Clarity Assignments

### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:

- Go to the CTE website: [ucpscte.org](http://ucpscte.org)
- Log onto Major Clarity and select Work Based Learning Opportunities
- Contact Sarah Webb, Career Development Coordinator  
Porter Ridge High School  
[sarah.webb@ucps.k12.nc](mailto:sarah.webb@ucps.k12.nc) 704-292-7662  
Office: In Counseling Office

### GRADE / CREDIT

Grade is based on required assignments, attendance at scheduled meetings and sponsor evaluation. Successful completion of the course will result in one unit of general elective credit.

#### Semester

- Grade shows on report card for each grading period

#### Summer

- Grade added to transcript after completion of course requirements

### SCHEDULING

Community sponsor and student determine schedule based on the business' hours of operation and their mutual convenience.

- Minimum of 135 total hours required (100 contact hours)
- Student attends at least eight hours per week (two or three days per week for three to four hours per day)

#### Semester

- Placement must be confirmed by Internship Coordinator before course is added to class schedule
- Completed during first or second semester with one release period

#### Summer

- Hours and assignments completed before the beginning of first semester

### BENEFITS to STUDENT

- Obtain a more realistic view of a career field and the world of work
- Connect classroom learning with career opportunities
- Make more informed decisions regarding post-secondary education or training
- Gain industry experience
- Make contacts that will help when applying for specific college programs or scholarships

**UCPS**  
UNION COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

In compliance with Federal law, Union County Public Schools administers all education programs, employment activities and admissions without discrimination against any person on the basis of gender, race, color, religion, national origin, age or disability.

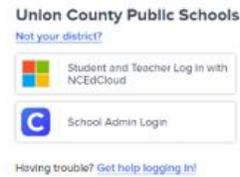


# MAJOR CLARITY



## “Major Clarity”

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



### More apps (District)



### My Portfolio

Student Journal

Assessments

Career Exploration

### Personality Assessment

Thank you for completing this assessment.

Conventional 38%	Investigation 30%	Enterprising 11%
Social 11%	Artistic 11%	Realistic 0%

Reset assessment

### Learning Styles Assessment

Find out more about your learning style by answering yes or no.

0/25 complete

Is this statement usually true for you?

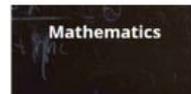
When I make things for my studies, I remember what I have learned better.

### Career Exploration

Explore the paths that might interest you based on your skills and strengths.

Majors or Careers  
Start Typing For Suggestions

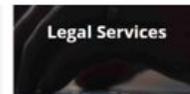
Strengths: Math  
Cluster: Health Sciences  
Filter by: Please select...



Mathematics careers involve identifying relationships and trends in data. This could include applying statistical methods to solve problems in business, medicine, and economics, planning data...

Fit Score: 88%

Learn more  
Watch an interview with a pro  
Try an activity



Legal Services involves interpreting the law, representing clients, writing legal documents, and preparing arguments. This could include advocating for a client's rights in court, preparing court...

Fit Score: 82%

Learn more  
Watch an interview with a pro  
Try an activity



Software Programming work uses technical skills to build computer programs. This could include developing and testing new software, monitoring application performance and quality, and investigating...

Fit Score: 76%

Learn more  
Watch an interview with a pro  
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# CAREER AND COLLEGE PROMISE



## SPCC CAREER AND COLLEGE PROMISE INFORMATION SESSION

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

### Topics covered:

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

### DATES

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

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

### HOW TO ATTEND?

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

### CONTACT INFO

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





# NCDPI SURVEY



## ACADEMIC STANDARDS

All Stakeholder Survey for K-12 Arts, K-12 Guidance, and K-12 World Language Standards

In August, the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction (NCDPI) Office of Academic Standards' team kicked off the review phase for K-12 Arts, K-12 Guidance, and K-12 World Language Standards. This cohort of standards will follow the [NC Standard Course of Study Manual](#) in terms of process and timeline.

Per the Internal Procedures Manual, the review phase consists of data collection and analysis, as well as research. The NCDPI team is seeking input on the current K-12 Arts, K-12 Guidance, and K-12 World Language standards from educators, administrators, parents, students, institutions of higher education, business/industry representatives, national organizations, and other education agencies.

These surveys are being shared to gather thoughtful input and comments from stakeholders familiar with the Arts, Guidance, and/or World Language Standard Course of Study in order to inform revision decisions, which may include changes, clarifications, additions, deletions, or replacements to the current standards.

Any individual who wishes to provide input on the Standard Course of Study may complete this survey. This survey is estimated to take about 10 to 20 minutes to complete, depending on how many grades or courses you choose to review.

We thank you for your time and input. Your feedback is extremely valuable to the standards review and revision process.

Area	Link	Due Date
K-12 Guidance	<a href="https://ncdpi.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_8Huasl5t7VdeO3A">https://ncdpi.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_8Huasl5t7VdeO3A</a>	November 17, 2022
K-12 Arts Education	<a href="https://ncdpi.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_cORnxoKXtTsZNfo">https://ncdpi.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_cORnxoKXtTsZNfo</a>	November 17, 2022
K-12 World Language	<a href="https://ncdpi.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_diiCabMFikRJR4">https://ncdpi.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_diiCabMFikRJR4</a>	November 17, 2022

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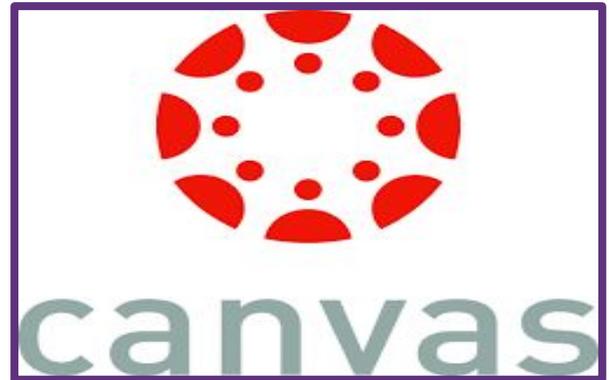
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# ISSUES WITH CHROMEBOOKS & CANVAS PARENT & POWER SCHOOL



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](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)

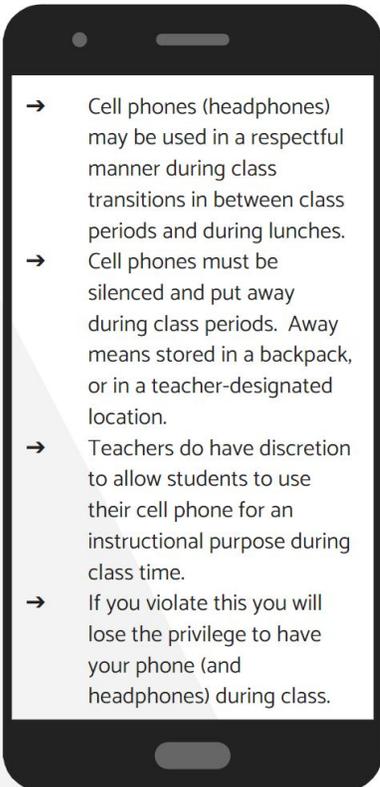
Click [here](#) for more information on meal prices.

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.



- 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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