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Pirate PRESS

Dear Pirate Community,

Students have been given course registration information for the 2019-2020 school year. School counselors met with all freshman-juniors. Students must have their choices added to PowerSchool by 3/14.

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Dr. Fisenne will lead a Curriculum Night Presentation for all 9th, 10th, and 11th grade students on **March** 11th at 6:30 pm. Please save the date to hear about offerings such as Advanced Placement courses, College Prep and Honors classes, PR Pathways that focus on careers for all students, Academies at PR, and opportunities for community college courses.

Save the Date!! Join us for a night of student work as Porter Ridge High School's Castaways present The Beginning Theatre Showcase on Friday, March 15th at 7:00pm. Tickets are \$5.00

Porter Ridge is exploring adding an **International Baccalaureate Program** for Juniors and Seniors in 2021-2022. An IB program is a rigorous program consisting of college-level courses that prepare students for college and career. If you have a younger child and are interested in bringing the IB Program to PRHS, please take our survey at https://goo.gl/d1bWcL

Congratulations to Camila Morena who received an Honorable Mention in the Mint Hill Arts Annual Student Art Show. Abby Johnson, Carly Cook, and Eric Cheek also have pieces displayed at the show.







Career and Technical Education classes invited speakers from the community to speak with their classes. Chef Robert Penry from Johnson Wales University spoke to Food I classes. Assistant Fire Marshall Captains Katie Hinson and Kevin Philemon visited Career Management Classes. Jeff Longo from Sports Biz Camps spoke to Sports Marketing classes. Our Seniors have the opportunity to work on Financial Literacy during their Pirate Advisory periods. Seniors successfully completing modules will not only be more prepared for life after high school, but will also be recognized with a sweet treat soon! Our Juniors were given access to prepare and practice for the upcoming SAT that all Juniors will get to take for free on April 9th during the school day. Please talk to your child about taking advantage of this opportunity!

Congratulations to our athletic teams for their great start of the spring season. Please come out and cheer on our Pirates! Thank you so our Athletic Booster Club for their hard work and amazing cooking for the Annual PR BBQ which occurred today. Funds raised go to directly support our teams and athletic fields. Please see calendar for upcoming games and follow us on facebook and twitter so that you can keep on top of any schedule changes due to our spring weather.

Please take time to read over this newsletter. These newsletters allow our whole community to know about the great things our children and teachers are doing here at Porter Ridge High School. The Pirate Press, in addition to our website, facebook, and twitter, is the main form of

communication from school to home. Go Pirates!!! Dr. Fisenne



School Counseling

- Great Summer Opportunities for High School Students are on the school websites under guidance
- Rising senior grade preregistration meetings finished
- Every Monday Ms. Burgess will be sending out the **Scholarship Spotlight** which will detail 1-2 scholarships. The email will also have the link to her updated Scholarship List for other scholarships. To access the list now click here. The list is continuously updated when new information is received.

Charlotte National College Fair on Sunday, March 17th

The Park Expo Center in Charlotte

For more information go to https://www.nacacfairs.org/attend/national-college-fairs/charlotte-college-fairs/

Seniors and Scholarships! Keep researching. Keep applying.

Parents of seniors, here is the presentation counselors gave to your students about scholarships. Your student can view this through their school Google account.

https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1Mt1wSgI8 tUMlrZ qsnYMHnt1ygEoHdQujl7vEppC 4/edit#slide=id.p

If you have questions, please contact your school counselor. Please let Ms. Ponder in counseling know if you have received a scholarship.

Counselor concerns: Counselors have ongoing concerns about student's vaping and over-using technology. Here are some parent resources on both topics for consideration.

https://www.nytimes.com/2018/12/18/health/vaping-nicotine-teenagers.html

https://www.psychologytoday.com/us/blog/more-feeling/201712/can-t-fight-feeling-technology-and-teen-anxiety

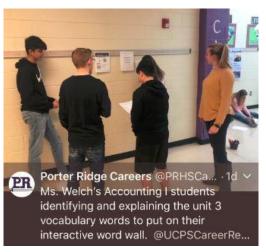
Updated transcripts are now available. If you have applied to a school that requires a mid-year report you can now go in and make the request for the transcript to be sent. *ONLY MAKE A REQUEST FOR SCHOOLS THAT REQUIRE A MID-YEAR TRANSCRIPT TO BE SENT*

Scholarship season is upon us!! Check your emails regularly. **Every Monday** Ms. Burgess will be sending out the Scholarship Spotlight which will detail 1-2 scholarships. The email will also have the link to her updated Scholarship List for other scholarships. To access the list now click <u>here</u>. The list is continuously updated when new information is received.

Current Sophomore & Juniors: Are you interested in taking Career and College Promise

Courses through SPCC next school year? The counselors will be having an interest meeting very soon. Use <u>this</u> link to sign up for the meeting. Details to follow.









A big "thank you" to Sarah Jordan from the Medical Office Administration program and Mallen Marlowe from the Agribusiness program at SPCC who visited PR yesterday and spoke with Mrs. Gordon's Career Management and Ms. Ellis's Business Management classes about the programs, jobs and skills needed for each of these fields.







Porter Ridge High @PorterRi... · 2h · Great early release professional development! Worked in break out sessions today led by our princ, assist princs, schl counselor and UCPS EC staff. Learned about Inquiry Learning, Digital Literacy, Social and Emotional Learning-Crisis & Meeting Students' Special Needs. #TeamUCPS









Huntington Learning Center-Weddington is partnering with UCPS to provide our students with test taking tips and tricks for the ACT and SAT. Students who attend earn participation points toward their school's #UCPSCollegeReady goal!

UCPS will be administering the ACT and SAT to all juniors for free.

- UCPS ACT administration date: February 20, 2019
- UCPS SAT administration date: April 9, 2019

Date	Time	Location	Registration Link	Test(s) Addressed
Saturday, November 17, 2018	10:00 am - 12:00 pm	CATA 600 Brewer Drive Monroe, NC 28112	SOLD OUT	SAT & ACT
Saturday, February 16, 2019	10:00 am - 12:00 pm	CATA 600 Brewer Drive Monroe, NC 28112	http://bit.lv/blitz2-16-19	ACT
Saturday, April 6, 2019	10:00 am - 12:00 pm	Porter Ridge High 2839 Ridge Road Indian Trail, NC 28079	http://bit.lv/blitz4-6-19	SAT





AP SOCIAL STUDIES MOCK EXAMS

WHEN

April 6th, 2019 Doors open at 8:00 am Exams start at 8:30 am Ends when you finish

WHERE

UCPS Professional Development Center

721 Brewer Dr., Monroe, NC 28112 (Next to CATA)

REGISTER HERE: bit.lv/SSAP2019

SUBJECTS

AP HUMAN GEOGRAPHY

AP PSYCHOLOGY

AP UNITED STATES
GOVERNMENT

AP UNITED STATES
HISTORY

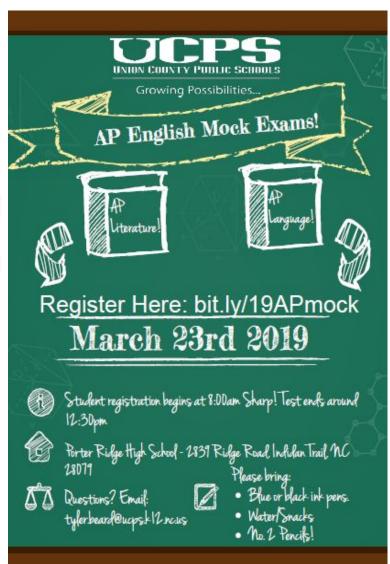
AP WORLD HISTORY

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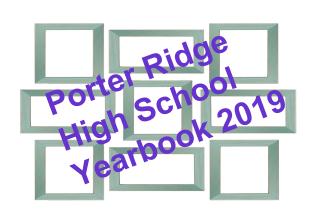
- #2 Pencils
- . Blue/black ink pens
- . Water & Snack

OUESTIONS?

Contact Jeff Schneider @ jeffrey.schneider@ucps.F12.nc.us



Yearbooks -- \$80. Prices will increase. You can order yearbooks online (www.jostens.com) by clicking below or get an order form from Ms. Watson in G205. Senior Yearbook Ads are on sale now to be featured in the yearbook. Order forms are available in the front office, in Ms. Watson's room (G205), and online @ (www.Jostens.com).





Announcements

- Charlotte National College Fair will be on Sunday, March 17th at The Park Expo Center in Charlotte For more information go to
 - https://www.nacacfairs.org/attend/national-college-fairs/charlotte-college-fair/
- AP English Mock Exam . March 23rd.
- THE GREAT RACE is back and better than ever! Thursday, April 11th at 6:00. Mark your calendars!!! For those of you not familiar with **THE GREAT RACE**, click here for a little synopsis: Goo.al/KduCJV
- Do you belong to or coach a sport? Do you belong to or sponsor a club? Stop by the tables during all lunches to purchase a spirit pin from our TTA classes. Lollipops, bath fizzies, and lanyards are also available for purchase. Bath fizzies come in a variety of scents such as lavender, eucalyptus, jasmine, rose, rosemary and peppermint. Ask about our Porter Ridge and Holiday gift sets! Place your orders today!
- NC State University's Youth Engineering Summer Camp Are you creative or interested in Engineering? If so, NC State University College of Engineering will be running a summer camp in Roger's Hall at Queens University of Charlotte this summer. Camp registration is now open and will stay open until all spots
 - are filled. To enroll for the camp please visit www.engineeringcampcharlotte.com.
- LAST CHANCE to buy **PROM tickets!** Tickets for both juniors and seniors are \$75 and will be sold during all lunches in the cafeteria March 18th-22nd. Remember to have guest forms turned in with a copy of their photo ID by March 22nd. Forms are located in the main office and on the Porter Ridge website.
- Join us for a night of student work as Porter Ridge High School's Castaways present The Beginning Theatre Showcase on March 15th at 7:00 PM. Tickets are \$5

Porter Ridge Career Pathways:

PRHS has a host of career pathways that support students as they select their courses throughout their high school years. Each of these pathways includes careers students can explore and related courses offered at PR. These pathways assist students in choosing courses as they prepare for future studies and the workforce.



Pathways at Porter Ridge High School include: JROTC, Animal Science, Architect, Arts, Business Management, Culinary, Digital Media, Education, Engineering, Finance, Health Science, aw & Public Safety, and Liberal Arts. cademies include: Culinary Arts Veterinary Assisting Pharmacy Technician Architecture, Eng. & Design Digital Film

Animal Science Veterinarian **Animal** Caretaker Vet **Assistant** Click for More Pathway Courses Animal Science II -□ Chemistry Small Animals Equine Science I ☐ CCP Animal Science ☐ Marine Science CCP Farm Business Equine Science II Health Sciences Click here for more info ==>



Athletics

Fri 3/8	Softball vs Butler 3:30; Soccer AT Providence 6:00; Women's LAX vs Myers Park 4:00
Mon 3/11	Tennis vs Butler 4:00
Tue 3/12	Baseball vs Butler 6:00; Men's LAX vs Queen's Grant 6:00; Softball AT Indy 4:00; Soccer AT Indy 6:00
Wed 3/13	Soccer AT Forest Hill 6:00; Men's LAX vs Butler 6:00;
Thu 3/14	Tennis AT Indy 4:00; Softball AT Marvin Ridge 6:00; Baseball AT West Stanley 4:00; Women's LAX AT Parkwood 5:00; Men's LAX AT Parkwood 7:00
Fri 3/15	Soccer vs Garinger 6:00; Softball vs Garinger 4:30; Baseball AT Butler 4:30
Mon 3/18	Tennis vs Garinger 4:00; Women's LAX AT Providence 5:00; Men's LAX vs Ardrey Kell 6:30
Tue 3/19	Tennis AT Rocky River 4:00; Soccer AT Rocky River 6:00; Baseball AT Indy 4:30; Softball AT Rocky River 5:30
Wed 3/20	Soccer vs Central Cabarrus 6:00; Softball vs Parkwood 4:30; Baseball vs Piedmont 4:30
Thu 3/21	Women's LAX AT Ardrey Kell 5:00; Tennis vs Myers Park 4:00; Men's LAX vs Cuthbertson 5:30
Fri 3/22	Soccer vs Myers Park 6:00; Softball vs Myers Park 4:30; Baseball vs Indy 4:30

Pirate Events

Mon 3/11	GSA F108 3:00; Curriculum Night 6:30
Tue 3/12	Government Studies F106 7:30; Robotics Club G104 3:00; Latin Club G111 3:00;
Wed 3/13	Graphic Design Club E105 3:00; Spanish Club F102 3:15
Thu 3/14	Gaming Club E102 3:00; Knitting & Crocheting Club G106 3:00
Fri 3/15	Beginning Theatre Showcase 7:00 \$ 5.00
Mon 3/18	FCCLA Meeting D101 3:00
Wed 3/20	Spanish Club F102 3:15
Thu 3/21	Gaming Club Meeting E102 3:00; Marching Band Fundraiser- Moe's @ Sun Valley Shopping 5:00-9:00 & Sweet Frogs @ Sun Valley Shopping Center 5:00-9



2019 - 2020 CTE Internship

Attention Rising 12th graders, if you have taken at least 2 Career & Technical Education (CTE) courses, one being a level 2, and are interested in participating in a CTE Internship next school year, stop by the guidance office and pick up an application from Mrs. Webb. If you have any questions, please see Mrs. Webb in guidance.

Academy Pathway Applications for 2019 - 2020

Academy applications for the 2019-2020 school year are now open. To learn more about the academies UCPS has to offer and for the application, please visit the <u>UCPS Career</u> Readiness page on the UCPS website or see Mrs. Webb in guidance.

Cosmetology Open House

Attention Rising 11th graders, the Cosmetology academy will be hosting an open house on Thursday, March 14th from 4:00 - 6:00 pm at the Walter Bickett Education Center. This is a drop in even for you to see the facility and ask the instructors and current students any questions you might have. If you have any questions, please see Mrs. Webb in guidance.

