



# Pirate PRESS

Dear Pirate Families,

**Congrats to Monica Stewart, Kimberly Tran, and Victoria Riabtseva for qualifying for individual state tournament in tennis!! Congrats to Makenzie Toth for qualifying for state tournament in golf!!** We hope that we will see our Pirate Fans tonight as we go to Rocky River HS for some Varsity Football!!!

Remember that our counselors are available to assist Seniors with questions about applying for college, financial aid, and career. They are available for College App Counselor Drop-ins before school from 7:30 - 8:00 and after school 3:00 - 3:45 Monday through Thursday!

A huge kudos to our Culinary Academy for the fabulous Fall Dinner they prepared this past Thursday night. From smoked ratatouille to bacon-wrapped quail the dinner courses pleased everyone attending the event. Students from the high school and SPCC students worked with Chef Templeton and Chef Morris to create a culinary delight for guests! On **October 27th, the Band of Pirates** will be hosting their Band competition, the Pirate Cove Classic right here at Porter Ridge HS. Please consider showing your support to our very own band and attending this fun Pirate themed event. **Volunteers are need for the event. The link below is to sign up to volunteer:** <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080A48ADAF29A3F49-pirate1>

Our **Athletic Booster Club** will be hosting an inaugural Golf Tournament on 11/10 and our inaugural 5k on 11/17 - the Sock Trot. Our **Interact Club** hosted our annual Red Cross Blood Drive today and our school was able to collect 217 units! That is a phenomenal success and will help our community! **Wednesday, October 24th**, is a home **Soccer** game at 6:30 and is soccer Senior Night. The **first 100 student fans** will be given a vuvuzela. 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







# Band Fruit Sale



## PORTER RIDGE BAND BOOSTERS

Order Online: [www.PorterRidgeBand.org](http://www.PorterRidgeBand.org) • or Call: 704-309-3332

### NEW PROTECTIVE PACKAGING!

Strong, stable compartments ensure first-class delivery of your premium, hand-picked citrus.

#### NAVEL ORANGES

NEW TRAY PACKAGING!



ITEM #			
1	1 Tray	11 Oranges .....	\$15
2	2 Trays	22 Oranges .....	\$30

#### PINK GRAPEFRUIT

NEW TRAY PACKAGING!



ITEM #			
6	1 Tray	8 Grapefruit.....	\$15
9	2 Trays	15 Grapefruit.....	\$30

#### MIXED NAVELS & GRAPEFRUIT

NEW TRAY PACKAGING!



ITEM #			
1	2 Trays	12 Navels + 10 Grapefruit.....	\$30

#### HAMLIN JUICE ORANGES

NEW TRAY PACKAGING!



ITEM #			
7	1 Tray	11 Oranges.....	\$15
11	2 Trays	22 Oranges.....	\$30

#### CITRUS DELIGHT



ITEM #			
12	12 Navels, 12 Grapefruit, 12 Mandarins.....		\$30

#### TRIPLE CHARMER



ITEM #			
13	12 Navels, 12 Grapefruit, 12 Apples.....		\$30

#### MANDARINS



ITEM #			
14	(2) 5 lb Bags per box 13-20 pcs per bag .....		\$25

#### WASHINGTON RED DELICIOUS APPLES



ITEM #			
12	1/4 Bushel	18-22 Apples.....	\$25
15	1/2 Bushel	36-44 Apples.....	\$35

#### GEORGIA PECAN HALVES



ITEM #			
16	1 lb Bag.....		\$15



# Men's Basketball

## Help Wanted!!

**The Porter Ridge Men's Basketball program is looking for highly motivated Pirate students who desire to build their college/professional resumes by joining our team.**

**The positions that are available are as follows:**

**\*Director of Operations**| 1 for JV, 1 for Varsity In charge of practice and game preparation which includes but is not limited to equipment management, hydration, practice clock management, assistance with travel, and player management.

**\*Data Analytics Manger**| 1 for JV, 1 for Varsity Oversees scorebook and relevant statistical data collection.

**\*Video Production Specialist**| Varsity only Game day Videographer who will also assist the Director of Operations during practice.



PRHS representatives for the  
Superintendent's Advisory Council

Michael Beckerman  
Camila Moreno  
Aneska Foster  
Denny Bui  
Rebecca Leaper

A group of seniors are working with other seniors in UCPS to help our Superintendent guide the district!  
Way to go!!



To try out for a Winter Sport, you must get a TRYOUT TICKET from the Athletic Director BEFORE THE TRYOUT DATE AND TIME.

## PRHS 2018 Winter Athletics Tryout Info

To receive a **TRYOUT TICKET**, the following must be completed:

- Online FamilyID Registration completed by athlete's parent or guardian using the following link: <https://www.ucpsathletics.com/eligibility>
- Submit the 2018-2019 UCPS Eligibility Packet to the Athletic Director.  
Note: If you had a Novant physical on June 2, 2018 or your physical is valid (within the last 395 days) and on file with us, there is no need to submit a new one. Check with your coach to see if it is valid.
- FamilyID registration must be approved by the athletic director.

**PLEASE RETAIN A COPY OF YOUR ATHLETE'S PHYSICAL FOR YOUR RECORDS**

TRYOUT TICKET Dates:

Tryout tickets will be given out on the following dates during all lunches.

Wednesday October 24

Thursday October 25

Monday October 29

Wednesday October 31



## Winter Tryout Dates & Times

### **Men's Basketball:** Head Coach Garrett Malone

Wednesday October 31	9th & 10th	5:00 - 6:30	Main Gym
	11th & 12th	6:30 - 8:30	Main Gym
Thursday November 1	9th & 10th	3:00 - 4:30	Main Gym
	11th & 12th	4:30 - 6:00	Main Gym

### **Women's Basketball:** Head Coach Ina Thompson

Wednesday October 31	9th - 12th	3:00 - 5:00	Main Gym
Thursday November 1	9th - 12th	6:00 - 8:00	Main Gym

### **Cheer:** Head Coach Branden Chopelas

Thursday November 1	9th - 12th	6:30 - 8:30	Aux Gym
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### **Wrestling:** Head Coach Randy Durbin

Wednesday October 31	9th - 12th	3:00 - 5:30	Aux Gym
Thursday November 1	9th - 12th	3:00 - 5:30	Aux Gym

### **Men's & Women's Swimming:** Head Coach Colleen Gregory

(cannot show up at the aquatic center must see the Athletic Director for more information)

Monday October 29*	9th - 12th	6:00 - 7:00	Monroe Aquatic
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*\*optional swim workouts Monroe Aquatic Center*

Wednesday October 31	9th - 12th	6:00 - 7:15	Monroe Aquatic
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### **Indoor Track:** Head Coach Tondra White

Monday November 5	9th - 12th	3:00 - 5:00	Track
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# Theater



**Anti-Social by Don Zolidis**  
**&**  
**Funhouse By Todd Ford**  
**October 25th & 27th 7:30 PM**



**\$5 Admission**

This production contains language and situations that may not be appropriate for younger viewers.

## Join the PTO

**Membership** is \$10 and it includes a **PR** car magnet!

Questions, please email Kim Pace at [kimp99@gmail.com](mailto:kimp99@gmail.com)



# ACT & SAT Dates

ALL Juniors at PRHS will take BOTH the ACT on Feb. 20<sup>th</sup> and SAT on April 9<sup>th</sup> during school, for free, this year!!

## National SAT Dates - students must register at [CollegeBoard.org](http://CollegeBoard.org)

- November 3rd register by 10/5, with late fee until 10/24
- December 1st register by 11/2, with late fee until 11/20
- March 9th register by 2/8, with late fee until 2/27
- May 4th register by 4/5, with late fee until 4/24
- June 1st register by 5/3, with late fee until 5/22

## National ACT Dates – students must register at [ACTstudent.org](http://ACTstudent.org)

- October 27th register by 9/28, with late fee until 10/14
- December 8th register by 11/2, with late fee until 11/19
- February 9th register by 1/11, with late fee until 1/18
- April 13th register by 3/8, with late fee until 3/25
- June 8th register by 5/3, with late fee until 5/20
- July 13th register by 6/14, with late fee until 6/24

(students who receive free or reduced lunch or have a financial need should see their counselor about a fee waiver)

## NC Countdown to College - College Application Week October 15<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> for Seniors

During this week many colleges in NC will waive their application fees for students who apply through [www.CFNC.org](http://www.CFNC.org). A list of colleges that are either waiving their fee or will accept a fee waiver from qualifying students. Applications must be submitted between Monday 10/15 at 7:30am to Friday 10/19 at 5:00pm.

\* Counselors will be available to assist students with applications during pirate prep all week in the counseling office. If interested in getting help during Pirate Prep 10/15-10/19 please fill out the google form below and report to the counseling office during pirate prep (must be logged into school google account):

<https://goo.gl/forms/8oJKwP1Poohb6aDt2>

## 10th Graders will take the PreACT on Oct. 29<sup>th</sup>

# UCPS 2019-2020 Calendar Survey

Union County Public Schools is conducting a survey to gather input for the 2019-2020 calendar. I encourage you participate and learn more about the calendar planning process. You can access the survey from the Announcements section on our school website or the announcements section on the UCPS website. The survey will close Sunday, October 21 at midnight. Thank you for your cooperation.

Survey Link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ucpscalendarsurvey>



# Counseling Department

### Scholarships- Where to find

- Naviance – District list of scholarships and scholarship search engine
- Websites of colleges you are applying to
- Parents work or other organizations they may belong to

Visit <https://www.ucps.k12.nc.us/Page/4988> for a list of free scholarship search engines

### Major Scholarships

- Some major universities have competitions to select students for full-ride scholarships. These are **highly competitive**. At Porter Ridge, students apply to be considered as the PRHS school nominee. Students complete an application and our school scholarship committee, consisting of school counselors, an administrator and teachers, reviews the applications of students and chooses our school nominee(s). The student(s) selected as our school nominee then applies directly to the institution for the larger competition.
- Below are links to the applications of the individual scholarships. Please note the deadlines are designed to allow time for our scholarship committee to meet and review the student applications. These deadlines are final. No exception. Some of the scholarships allow students to self-nominate if they are not chosen as their school's nominee. Please see the individual scholarship websites for more information.
- ALL Juniors at PRHS will take BOTH the ACT and SAT during school, for free, this year!!

**Feel free to contact Ms. Burgess with any questions.**

University of Virginia - [Jefferson Scholar Application Due Nov. 3](#)

**Seniors- Please make sure you notify Mrs. Ponder of any scholarship you are offered even if you do not plan to attend the college**



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	<a href="http://bit.ly/blitz11-17-18">http://bit.ly/blitz11-17-18</a>	SAT & ACT
Saturday, February 16, 2019	10:00 am - 12:00 pm	CATA 600 Brewer Drive Monroe, NC 28112	<a href="http://bit.ly/blitz2-16-19">http://bit.ly/blitz2-16-19</a>	ACT
Saturday, April 6, 2019	10:00 am - 12:00 pm	TBD	Coming Soon!	SAT





# got Questions?

**Introducing Counselor Drop-Ins**  
 We know that college applications can be overwhelming!

**No appointment.  
 No slip.  
 No email.**  
 Just show up with your questions. A counselor will be available to help you!

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
7:30-8:00 James	7:30-8:00 Ponder	7:30-8:00 Burgess	7:30-8:00 Davison
3:00-3:45 Davison	3:00-3:45 Burgess	3:00-3:45 James	3:00-3:45 Ponder

The counselor's name is listed in case you have a counselor preference but you are NOT limited to meeting with your assigned counselor. Drop in any day and get your questions answered by any counselor.



## INAUGURAL PORTER RIDGE ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB GOLF TOURNAMENT

Hosted by Baseball & Softball programs

Email your teams or hole sponsorships to Coach Cooke at [daniel.cooke@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:daniel.cooke@ucps.k12.nc.us) (below info needed)

OR

[CLICK HERE](#) to register

### PLAYER/TEAM REGISTRATION

Team Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Contact Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Contact Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Player #1: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Player #2: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Player #3: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Player #4: \_\_\_\_\_

### HOLE SPONSORSHIP

Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Contact Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Contact Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Saturday, November 10**

**9:00am  
 Shotgun Start**

**Emerald Lake Golf Club  
 9750 Tournament Drive  
 Matthews, NC 28104**

**\$80.00 per player**

**\$320.00 per team**

**\$100 per hole sponsor**

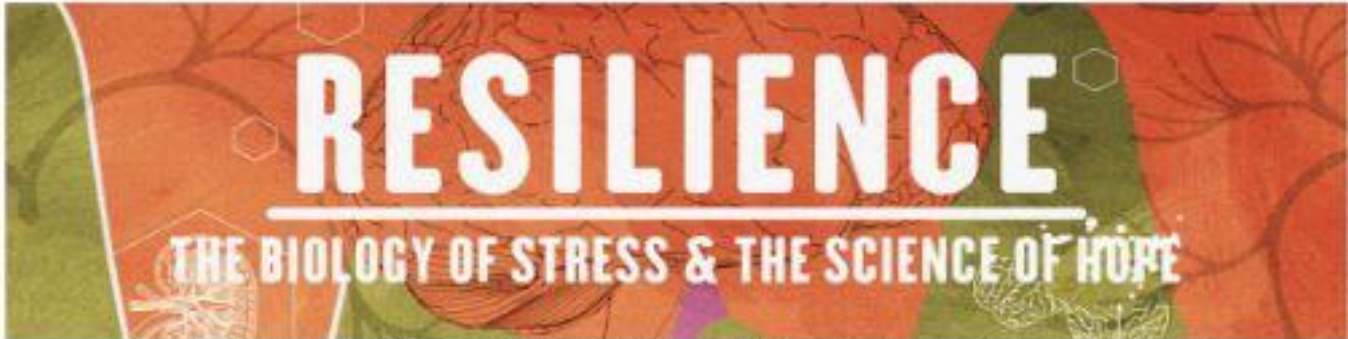
**Make checks payable to: PRABC**

**Deadline for Registration  
 November 1**

**Entry fee includes lunch,  
 range balls, and goody bag**

**Mulligans, raffle and door  
 prizes will be offered**

**THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING  
 PORTER RIDGE ATHLETICS!**



Marvin Ridge High School • Main Auditorium • 2825 Crane Road • Waxhaw, NC 28173

**OCTOBER 24, 2018**

Marvin Ridge High School • 6:30 to 8:45 pm

**Join us to watch “Resilience”  
and discuss the effect of toxic stress on health**

Union County Public Schools, in collaboration with Novant Health, invites families and educators to discuss how trauma and stress on adolescents cause long-term physical and mental health issues. Following a viewing of the film, there will be a moderated panel discussion with medical physicians, social workers, and therapists.







# Athletics

<b>Fri 10/19</b>	<b>Football AT Rocky River 7:00</b>
<b>Sat 10/20</b>	<b>Band Competition AT East Rowan 1:00</b>
<b>Mon 10/22</b>	<b>Soccer AT Myers Park 6:00</b>
<b>Wed 10/24</b>	<b>Soccer vs Hickory Ridge 6:00 SENIOR NIGHT</b>
<b>Thu 10/25</b>	<b>JV Football AT Myers Park 6:00</b>
<b>Fri 10/26</b>	<b>Football vs Myers Park 7:30</b>
<b>Sat 10/27</b>	<b>XC Regionals; Band Pirate Cove Classic 1-6:30</b>
<b>Fri 11/2</b>	<b>Football AT Hickory Ridge 7:30</b>
<b>Sat 11/3</b>	<b>XC State Championships</b>



Congratulations to all  
of our Academic  
Letters and Bars  
recipients!!





# Pirate Events

**Fri - 10/19**

**Blood Drive - Main Gym - 8:30-1:30, UNCC visit 9:30 media center, Creative Writing Club 3:00 G112, Knitting and Crochet 3:00 Media**

**Sat 10/20**

**FBLA Club Dinner 7:00pm at the Olive Garden in Monroe**

**Mon 10/22**

**Senior Make-Up Pictures 8-2:00; GSA Meeting 3:00 F108**

**Tues 10/23**

**High Point University Visit 9:30 in Media Center; Choral Concert 6:30 in Auditorium**

**Wed 10/24**

**Underclassman Make-Up Pictures 8-12:00; Graphic Design Club 3:00 E105; Robotics Club 3:00 G104; Spanish Club 3:00 F102**

**Thu 10/25**

**Interact Club 7:30 in Auditorium; Gardiner Webb Visit 9:30 in Media Center; Gaming Club 3:00 E102; Maker Series-Spooky Jars 3:00 in Media Center; "Antisocial" and "Funhouse" 7:00 in Auditorium, Powder Puff Football 6:00**

**Fri - 10/26**

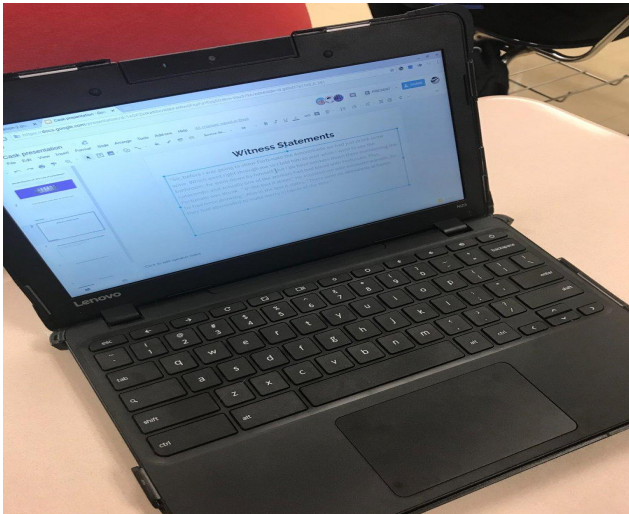
**East Carolina Visit 9:30 in Media Center; Fall Fest 5:00 in Boneyard**

**Sat 10/27**

**"Antisocial" and "Funhouse" 7:00 in Auditorium**

**Sat 11/3**

**Drama Competition at Rocky River High School**

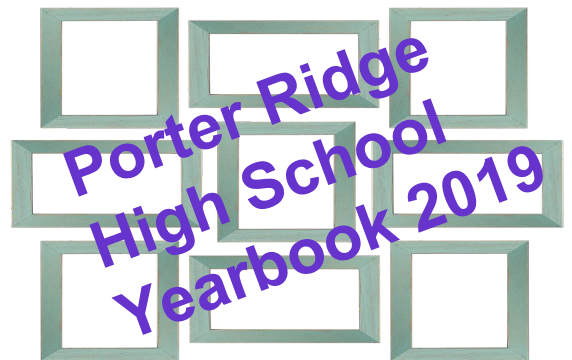


Chromebooks are out in full use at PRHS! If you experience any problems with your chromebook, visit our Desktop Support Engineer - Mr. Love in his office outside of the Media Center.

Parents if you have any chromebook concerns, please email Administrator, Mr. Chris Lacy, and he will be happy to look into your situation.

**Yearbooks are currently on sale -- \$75.** The last day to take advantage of this price is **October 24th**. After this date, prices will increase. You can order yearbooks online ([www.jostens.com](http://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.** Be sure to make your mark in this years book! Order forms are available in the front office, in Ms. Watson's room (G205), and online @ ([www.Jostens.com](http://www.Jostens.com)). The deadline for the lowest prices is 10/31.





# Announcements

- Juniors and Seniors are able to miss up to two school days for college visits per academic year. A letter from the college showing you attended for a visit, must be turned into the office following your visit.
- Yearbooks are now on sale for **\$75**. The last date to take advantage of this discounted price is **10/24** when prices will increase! Take advantage of savings now! You may order on ([www.Jostens.com](http://www.Jostens.com)) or grab an order form in Ms. Watson's room (G205).
- Come and make a pumpkin or ghost spooky jar **Thursday, October 25th** 3-4 p.m. in the Media Center! All supplies and light refreshments will be provided. Sign up on the Google form linked on the Media Center page of the PRHS website.
- **Senior Ads** are on sale now to be featured in the yearbook. Be sure to make your mark in this years book! Order forms are available in the front office, in Ms. Watson's room (G205), and online @ ([www.Jostens.com](http://www.Jostens.com)). The deadline for the lowest prices is **10/31**.
- The **Fall Blood Drive** is **October 19th!** Please consider donating if you are 16 or older. Be on the lookout for sign-up information soon! If you have any questions please see Mrs. Clontz in E212.
- **Seniors:** Please remember to submit all of your scholarship offers to Ms. Ponder in Counseling. Anytime you are offered a scholarship, even if you do not plan to attend that college, you should submit the award to Ms. Ponder.
- Please all **Flex/Co-Op/and SPCC students** stop by the Attendance Counselor's office to receive your pass for signing in and out.
- Interested in finding out more about the **North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics?** A representative from the school will be at PRHS on **Wednesday, October 24th @ 9:30am** to share with students about all of the opportunities they have to offer. If you are interested in attending the information session complete the google form ASAP. Form: <https://goo.gl/xhXsYM> You can also see Ms. Ponder, in counseling, with any questions!
- **Drama Competition** at Rocky River High School Saturday, November 3

Student Council is taking on a huge event this year to work toward our goal of building Porter Ridge Cluster Spirit! PRHS will be hosting a Fall Fest on 10/26 that will be expanded to include ALL clubs and teams that would like to participate! This is an event that we hope every club/team/band/class will participate in. We will be extending the invitation to ALL of our Cluster Elementary Schools for an afternoon of Yard games, Face painting, Pumpkin painting, Trunk or treat, Decorations contest, and Costume contest. Students this is a great way for you to create a fun and safe environment for our elementary school students to have and for you to enjoy some activities that you did when you were younger. So decorate your trunk in a theme that shows off your club, or a favorite character or movie that our students think the elementary students will like! Talk to your club advisor, band director, coach, or classroom teacher today and ask them to sign you up! They all got the link in their announcements!

## PRHS Pink Out





## Ports of Information for Pirates === Follow us on social media...

2018-2019 will feature a weekly electronic newsletter emailed to families and students.

If you need to update your email at school, please send your updated email to [carolyn.lawwill@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:carolyn.lawwill@ucps.k12.nc.us)

Follow us on Facebook: @PorterRidgeHS.NC

Follow us on Twitter: @PorterRidgeHSNC @PRHSCounseling  
@PRHSCareer @prhs\_athletics

Follow us on Instagram: porterridgehs

Porter Ridge HS is hosting a **community Fall Fest this October 26th** from 5:00 - 6:30 in the Boneyard. We have invited students from our five elementary schools to participate in this awesome event. We will be providing carnival-type games, popcorn, face painting, pumpkin painting, and a Trunk or Treat opportunity. In order to supply our games and host vehicles with enough candy for students from five elementary schools we are asking for your help. **Can you provide a few bags of individually wrapped candy to help make this an OUTSTANDING community event?** Thank you so much for your commitment to making our school a leader in the community.

PRHS Student Council

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B054CAFAD2DAB9-prhs>

**Candy can be dropped off in the front office at PRHS!**  
**We are excited to create a fun and SAFE environment for our elementary school friends to experience the fun fall holidays!**



# Holiday Card Contest

Union County Public Schools would like to welcome the return of the Annual UCPS Holiday Card Contest. UCPS is looking for students to create festive artwork to celebrate this upcoming holiday season.

## ❄️ Eligibility:

Any student who is currently enrolled in UCPS is eligible to participate.  
One entry per student.

## ❄️ Award:

The winning submission will be featured as the cover of the UCPS Holiday Card with the student's name, grade and school. The winner will receive an official UCPS Board of Education Certificate and be recognized at the December Board Meeting.

## ❄️ Artwork Theme:

### Happy Holidays/Season's Greetings

Submissions should reflect holiday spirited or winter themes. Artwork may not reference or contain images related to specific religious holidays.

## ❄️ Design Specifications:

The final card size will be 8.5 inches wide x 6 inches tall. Please create all artwork to fit these proportions.

## ❄️ Deadline for Entries:

All entries must be received no later than 5:00 PM on Wednesday, October 31, 2018.

## ❄️ Submission of artwork:

All submissions must be sent or delivered to the UCPS Central Services office:

UCPS Central Services  
Attn: Arthur Rogers  
400 North Church Street  
Monroe, NC 28112

For more detailed information, visit [www.ucps.k12.nc.us](http://www.ucps.k12.nc.us)

