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STUDENTS MUST SCORE A PROFICIENT-LEVEL 3,4, OR 5 ON EOC EXAMS TO EARN CREDIT

How students prepare and perform is important!

In order to Graduate in UCPS students must not only earn credit for courses, but must also show proficiency on End of Course Tests - Math I, Math III, Biology, & English II. Students must show proficiency with a proficiency score of Level 3, 4, or 5.

As we continue to build a school culture of excellence - we ask all students to do their best on each assessment so that all of our learning and hard work is shown in our School Performance Grade.

ACT, WorkKeys, Math 1 & 3, English II, Biology!!
We ARE PR and We ARE PRoud!!



The Study Cove


Recovery Days Left for Semester I

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You must provide your own transportation home

Alternatively you can stay for tutoring with your teacher. Your teacher must document it THAT day in the Recovery spreadsheet.



PRHS FALL FINAL EXAMS

January 18-24, 8:00 to 12:30

All courses have a final exam that counts at 25% of a student's final grade. All teacher made, EOC, & CTE Exams will be taken at school.

- Exam Dates
- Thurs. Jan. 18 1st Period
 - Fri. Jan. 19 2nd Period
 - Mon. Jan. 22, 3rd Period
 - Tue. Jan. 23, 4th Period

Courses with State Administered Exams	
EOC Exams	CTE Exams
Math I	Accounting I
Math 3	Apparel & Textile Production I
English 2	Automotive Service Fundamentals
Biology	Business Essentials
	Business Law
	Child Development
	Culinary Arts & Hospitality I
	Foundations of Health Science
	Health Science I
	Interior Design Fundamentals
	Robotics

Exam Exemptions

High school students will not be required to take teacher made final exams in the following situations:

- ❖ The student has an average of 90 or above the week prior to the administration of the exam and has no more than 2 unexcused absences in the class.
- ❖ The student has an average of 80 or above the week prior to the administration of the exam and has no more than 1 unexcused absence in the class.

All Students must bring their computer & charger to school each day. All exams with the exception of some teacher made exams will be administered online.



Fall Semester Exam Dates 2023-2024

Wednesday, 1/17

1st period review during class

Thursday, 1/18

8:00 – 12:30 1st period exams in all classes
 1:30 – 2:30 2nd period review**

Friday, 1/19

8:00 – 12:30 2nd period exams in all classes
 1:30 – 2:30 3rd period review**

Monday, 1/22

8:00 – 12:30 3rd period exams in all classes
 1:30 – 2:30 4th period review**

Tuesday, 1/23

8:00 – 12:30 4th period exams in all classes

Wednesday, 1/24 is a makeup exam day – students needing to make up an exam should report to school by 8:00 to start.

****Exam Reviews 1/18 – 1/22: Teacher-Led Review is required for all students from 1:30 – 2:30 and the review is ONLINE.**

Students exempt from a Teacher-Made exam are not required to attend the Review or Exam Session for that course.

**** Quick Lunch** will be available for students after exams.

**** Students will be dismissed after the exam period ends (approximately 12:10). Bus transportation will leave @12:30.**

Type of Exams: three types of exams at the end of each semester – EOC, CTE State Assessment, and Teacher-Made. Teachers will address which type of exam their students will take. All exams must be completed between 1/18 – 1/24.

Exam Exemptions for Teacher-Made Exams ONLY:

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- The student has an average of 80 or above the week prior to the administration of the exam and has no more than 1 unexcused absence in the class.
- Teachers will inform students of their TENTATIVE exemption on Tuesday 1/16; however, if students accrue more unexcused absences prior to Thursday 1/18 they can lose that exemption.
- Reminder – Absence notes must be submitted within **FIVE days** of the absence in order to excuse the absence. Notes sent in after five days will NOT be accepted.

Attendance: Attendance during exam days is required for all students, in-person for exam sessions and online for review sessions, (those students who exempt an exam are excused from exam and review sessions for a course).

Wednesday, January 24 is an important day for any students who have missed an exam earlier in the week due to illness. We regret that family vacation plans are not excused, and students cannot take exams early. We apologize that any requests for exceptions cannot be honored.



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Final Exams

Score Results: All high school exams count 25% of a student's grade for the semester.

Exam review: All teachers are expected to help students with review during class time and to distribute a review guide to students prior to testing. Students should begin organizing and reviewing material.

Academic Integrity: Please remind students of the need to prepare well for the exams and to make sure that they make ethical decisions when taking exams. The penalty for cheating of any kind is a "0" on a final exam.

Students will be required to turn in cell phones during testing sessions. If they do not want to do this, they should not bring their cell phone into the school.

Early Dismissals during Testing Week: NO student may be dismissed during the four-hour testing window. NO notes will be accepted for this. In order to best support the success of all of our students - **ALL students are asked to attend the Teacher-Led Review Sessions which will be online through MS Teams meetings.** Students who are exempt from an exam will be excused from the Review Session.

Exam Study Tips: **Be on time! Students should be in their testing locations before 7:50 a.m.** They will not be admitted to exams once testing has begun. Students are encouraged to sleep well each night (8 hours), and have a healthy breakfast each morning.

- Create a study calendar and stick to it
- Ask your teacher for a study guide and USE IT
- Use your notebook to guide you through a review of the course
- Attend all review sessions offered and go to tutoring for extra support
- Make a study group, assign each person a topic to re-teach, and discuss each topic
- Have your parents ask you questions
- Use diagrams, graphs, pictures, and drawings in your textbook to serve as a talking point for you to review
- Make flashcards on your computer or phone to practice important vocabulary words
- Look at your scores from the semester and identify topics you struggled in – ask your teacher or a friend for help
- Stay after school to study – you may study in the café until 5:00 each day
- Rewrite important points, the act of writing or typing helps some people remember specific information
- Create an acronym, or a funny saying, or song to remember specific information
- Draw a quick sketch to help with definitions or concepts
- Practice math problems



Attendance Recovery & Exam Exemptions


[RECOVERY AND WAIVER INFORMATION CLICK HERE](#)

- **IMPORTANT** - about exemptions AND attendance recovery.....
- Teachers shared tentative exam exemption status with students on 1/12 and final status on 1/17. If you are unsure - ask your teacher.
- The information that teachers (or Admin) will share with you is accurate for the day that they give you the information - **HOWEVER** if you get additional unexcused absences, OR if your grade average changes because of work submitted or tests taken - your exemption status and/or your need for attendance recovery will change.
- Your attendance is **REQUIRED** all the way up through final exams. If you have completed all of your required exams you are not required to come to school on the makeup exam day - it will be coded as an excused absence- it will not affect your exam exemption or whether you pass/fail a course due to attendance.
- Your grades all count - all the way through the end of the grading period.
- You are **REQUIRED** to do attendance recovery if you have more than 8 absences. If you have accumulated more than 8 unexcused absences you have received emails from Dr. Christie Felder about recovery. You should be checking your email. The Principal, Dr. Fisenne, typically waives your excused absences as long as they are not excessive - so it is usually your unexcused absences (this includes suspensions) that you need to recover so that you end up with less than 8 unexcused absences. You have had this opportunity all semester at The Study Cove, or by attending your teacher's tutoring - you have very limited opportunities remaining. You should go see your counselor if this applies to you.
- If you are still confused at this point, please see Dr. Fisenne or any administrator during lunches so that she can explain to you directly.

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<https://forms.gle/osmfqyCvXIFk3IiS7>
- ❖ Buy your **yearbooks** at yearbookforever.com
- ❖ All students who checked out **calculators** for a 1st semester Math class are reminded that calculators are due back by the end of the semester. If you are exempt from your exam, return your calculator as soon as possible. If you are using it on your exam, return it the day of the exam when everyone is dismissed to go home.
- ❖ Attention juniors and seniors, don't miss out on the **HBCU College Fair** happening on Thursday, February 29th. This event is for 11th graders who are starting to explore their college options, as well as 12th graders who haven't made their decision on a college yet. If you want to secure your spot to attend the college fair please sign up now. The sign-up deadline is February 12th and you can find the sign-up link in the pirate press.
- ❖ Applications for the **Student Council Leadership Class** will be available starting Jan. 9th right outside Ms. Yearick's room (E107). To apply for the class, you must currently be in 10th or 11th grade and in good standing regarding grades and conduct. Please see Ms. Yearick with questions. Completed applications are due January 23rd by 3:10.
- ❖ **Growing Green** will be doing a campus clean up 1/17. If you are interested in helping, and get volunteer hours, meet in Ms. Goodine's room, E111, right after school.
- ❖ **If you are currently enrolled in a Spring SPCC course, Student Agreement forms must be turned into Ms. Green in the Guidance Lobby before the start of finals!**
- ❖ Next **Sewing and Upcycling Club** meeting will be 2/8/24 until 4:15 p.m.
- ❖ **Spring track** will have an interest meeting on Wednesday, January 31st after school in room G203. Please see Coach Forrest for questions.
- ❖ **Growing Green's** next meeting will be January 30th. Meet in Ms. Goodine's room, E111, after school. They will be preparing for their fun and impactful events coming up.

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. **Please follow us on social media linked on this page!**



[CLICK HERE FOR GOOGLE FORM](#)



Hiring Students!

PORTER RIDGE HIGH



PORTER RIDGE WANTS TO INTRODUCE THE IDEA OF HIRING STUDENTS FOR OUR SCHOOL! HOURS MAY BE ABLE TO BE USED FOR: SERVICE HOURS (CHECK WITH ADVISOR), RESUME, AND AS A LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITY. SOME JOBS REQUIRE PERMISSION FROM YOUR TEACHER TO BE OUT OF CLASS FOR A SHORT TIME EACH DAY/WEEK.



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TRYOUTS

MENS VOLLEYBALL

TUES & WED FEB 27 & 28

3-5pm in PRHS Main Gym

*Must have Family ID completed to tryout. Email Coach Welch heather.welch@ucps.k12.nc.us with any questions



AN INNOVATIVE LEADER

Rallies others toward a common goal through creativity, integrity and determination. Works to connect with other people through empathy and partnership.



A RESILIENT PROBLEM-SOLVER

Capitalizes on productive struggle, inquiry, discourse and social learning to think critically and solve relevant and meaningful problems. Lifelong learning is driven by the desire for continuous improvement.



A KEY CONTRIBUTOR

Actively participates in the community and is civic-minded, independent, and financially literate. Meets the demands of future opportunities with resilience and generosity.



AN EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATOR

Accomplished in the skills of reading, writing, listening, speaking, and the use of technology. Possesses confidence and works in an organized manner.



A SKILLED COLLABORATOR

Works respectfully as a productive member of a team. Demonstrates flexibility and adaptability for success in a rapidly-changing world.

**THE 7 HABITS OF
 HIGHLY EFFECTIVE
 TEENS**

- Be Proactive
- Begin With the End in Mind
- Put First Things First
- Think Win-Win
- Seek First to Understand, Then to Be Understood
- Synergize
- Sharpen the Saw



Leader in Me student leaders from Sun Valley Middle & Porter Ridge High are partnering at the PRHS outdoor classroom. SVMS students toured the classroom and discussed with PRHS students the processes involved in student initiatives since they are wanting to build an outdoor classroom at their school! Students are exemplifying the **Portrait of a Graduate** by being skilled collaborators, effective communicators, and innovative leaders. Through this project students will have to be resilient problem solvers! Way to be key contributors at your schools! Good luck SVMS students!

Pirates IN ACTION





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- Students must turn in absence excuse notes to the Attendance Counselor BEFORE the start of the school day.
- Per BOE attendance policy the school may require doctor/medical notes after 5 days of absences (whether those five days are separate days or continuous days). PRHS will require a doctor/medical note after 5 days of absence. If that is not received, the absence will remain as unexcused. Parent notes are ONLY accepted for the first five days that a student is absent.
- All notes should be submitted within FIVE school days after the end of an absence 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 note is submitted. It is important to turn notes in quickly so that teachers know whether the absence is excused or unexcused.
- All parent notes are subject to review and may result in a required parent-administration meeting in order to be considered. All doctor/medical notes are subject to verification with the doctor/medical office.

****Student-athletes have strict attendance guidelines in order to maintain eligibility for their sport. Any student who is absent for more than 15% of class periods in a semester will be ineligible to compete during the following semester. These absences include excused and unexcused absences.**

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The exam exemption policy is clear: It is based on unexcused absences. It should be noted that while a student can recover absences for purposes of passing a course, those recovered absences do NOT count toward exam exemptions.



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Senior
Announcements

Click on
 Ad to
 Order



Orders for Varsity Jackets can also be placed at this time. Jackets will ship home!

Shop
 Jackets

**ACADEMIC LETTER OR BAR??
 VARSITY ATHLETIC LETTER OR
 BAR? SHOW OFF YOUR
 ACCOMPLISHMENTS WITH A
 VARSITY JACKET! THIS IS AN
 AWESOME OPPORTUNITY! BE
 PROUD!**



Class of 2024 Graduation
Tuesday June 11th 8:00 pm

PORTER RIDGE HIGH SCHOOL

PROM 2024

WELCOME TO

New York

04.27.24 | 8PM-12PM
 THE FILMORE
 CHARLOTTE





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*Parent
Information*

JOIN PTO

Parents, would you like a chance to be more involved with the students and teachers at PRHS? We'd love to have your help kicking off the PRHS PTO! We're looking for PTO Board members and chairs, parents willing to pay the \$10 membership fee to support the PTO's work, parents willing to donate items for teacher appreciation events, and parents willing to volunteer at teacher appreciation events.

Please email Amy Dieffenbach at amy_dieffenbach@yahoo.com or Alana White at alanahwhite@gmail.com if you're interested in helping with the PTO in any capacity. We'd love to hear from you and look forward to serving together at our wonderful school!

JOIN OR DONATE USING QR CODE



PIRATE ATHLETICS



PORTER RIDGE HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETICS THIS WEEK

22

MONDAY

-PRABC Meeting
5PM Media Center

23

TUESDAY

-No Events

24

WEDNESDAY

-Basketball vs
Cuthbertson
4/5/6/7:30

-Wrestling @
Weddington
6PM

25

THURSDAY

-No Events

26

FRIDAY

-M Basketball @
Sun Valley
4:30/6/7:30

27

SATURDAY

-Wrestling 1st/2nd Rd
NCHSAA Duals
State Playoff
TBD

#COMMITTED



CLICK [HERE](#) FOR ATHLETIC
SCHEDULES

[BOYS VARSITY BASKETBALL](#)

[GIRLS VARSITY BASKETBALL](#)

[GIRLS JV BASKETBALL](#)

[BOYS JV BASKETBALL](#)

[WRESTLING](#)

[INDOOR TRACK](#)

[SWIMMING](#)

[CLICK HERE FOR
HOME EVENT
TICKETS](#)

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

PORTER
RIDGE
ATHLETIC
ZONE



PIRATE ATHLETICS

Spring track will have an interest meeting on Wednesday, January 31st after school in room G203. Please see Coach Forrest for questions.



PIRATE O' PADDY 5K & FUN RUN



SATURDAY MARCH 16, 2024
9AM AT PORTER RIDGE HS

SPONSORSHIPS AVAILABLE STARTING AT \$250

WWW.PRATHLETICBOOSTERCLUB.ORG/

UNION COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

NEW PROTOCOLS FOR UCPS EVENTS

UCPS has experienced a number of safety incidents at athletic events around the county.

For winter sports, UCPS will implement the following protocols.

- Only clear bags, no larger than 4.5" x 6.5" will be allowed in events/games. Medical and baby bags are subject to search.
- Middle and elementary students must be accompanied by an adult (21 years or older) to attend events and games.
- All ticket sales will end at the beginning of halftime of the final event.



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3-5pm in PRHS Main Gym

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PIRATE ATHLETICS



HOME BASKETBALL
PRHS VS Cuthbertson
1/24/24

Come out and Cheer the Pirates
Varsity Girls at 6:00
Varsity Boys at 7:30

PIRATE ATHLETIC RESULTS
Indoor Track Conference Meet
results posted next week.

WRESTLING PIEDMONT DUALS

PR 78 Union Academy 6

PR 55 Providence 17

PR 42 Mooresville 27

PR 40 Enka 32

PR 29 Hickory Ridge 39

Overall team Record 24 - 3

KHALIQ BUTLER GOT HIS 100TH WIN

SWIMMING CONFERENCE MEET

Boys took 3rd, girls took 5th (we only missed 4th by 2 points). Combined team took 4th !

Top 8 Finishes:

Women's Medley Relay - 6th

Women's 200 Free Relay - 5th

Women's 400 Free Relay - 8th

Men's Medley Relay - 5th

Men's 200 Free Relay - 5th

Daniel Mitchell 200 Free - 8th; 500 Free - 4th

Spencer Chew 200 Individual Medley - 7th

Ava Marquadt 50 Free - 6th

Malachi McAlister 50 Free - 7th; 100 Fly - 7th

Rocco Woods 100 Free - 8th



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-Sao
cassidy.jarrett@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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<https://forms.gle/osmfqyCvXIFk3JiS7>

2ND SEMESTER SCHEDULE CORRECTIONS

The schedule correction google form will open Thursday, January 11th and will close Thursday, February 1st. Please submit all requests through this form.

2024-2025

CSS PROFILE

The CSS Profile is an online application used by colleges and scholarship programs to award non-federal institutional aid.

Participating NC Schools

- Duke
- Davidson
- Elon
- UNC Chapel Hill
- Wake Forest

Complete the CSS Application if you are applying to any of these schools!

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Alpha Alpha Chi Omega

2024- 2025 SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

[Click here to download application](#) OR [Scan here for application](#)

Scholarship Value: \$2,000

Application Window: January 15 - March 15, 2024

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



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PRHS COUNSELING NEWS



Attention Seniors!

**HAVE YOU RECEIVED
 ANY SCHOLARSHIPS?**

If so, please email ALL offers to
 Ms. Lawson at
ashley.lawson@ucps.k12.nc.us.

FAFSA Day

Saturday, January 27, 2024
 9am-12pm

Local colleges will be helping
 students and parents complete the
FAFSA.

Local participating colleges

Please create your
 Studentaid.gov Account
 (formerly FSA ID) in advance.

UNC Charlotte
 CPCC - Levine Campus
 Wingate University



CAMPUS VISIT DAY

Saturday, January 20
 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Scan QR Code
 TO REGISTER NOW!

CAREERS START AT CABARRUS COLLEGE

Join us to learn about our 18 degrees in 11 health science disciplines.

- Drop-in format with sessions beginning every 30 minutes
- Tour our state-of-the-art facility
- Meet our faculty
- Connect with current students in your program of interest
- Learn how our generous scholarships, loans and financial aid keep your costs low

Register now. We can't wait to meet you!



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Admissions@CabarrusCollege.edu
 704-403-1555

CABARRUS COLLEGE
 of
 HEALTH SCIENCES

We are Healthcare Education.

VISIT

SENIOR ANNOUNCEMENT

Seniors please check your email!! Ms. Lawson has sent info regarding the applications for the Kiwanis Scholarship, Monroe Union Breakfast Rotary Club Scholarship, and the Alpha Kappa Alpha Scholarship! See Ms. Lawson with any questions!



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PRHS COUNSELING NEWS

Are you a Junior or a Senior who has not committed to a college yet? If so, this HBCU College Fair could be for you! PRHS will be providing bus transportation to the event. Please complete the google form below no later than February 12th to secure your spot!

[CLICK HERE](#)

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93RD SOUTHERN REGIONAL CONVENTION PRESENTS

FOCUS HBCU Fair

ON-SITE ADMISSIONS AND SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

CHARLOTTE CONVENTION CENTER
 501 S COLLEGE STREET, CHARLOTTE, NC 28202
 THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 29, 2024
 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

REGISTER HERE:

[HTTPS://TINYURL.COM/ FOCUSHBCUFAIR2024](https://tinyurl.com/focushbcufair2024)



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PRHS COUNSELING & CAREER NEWS

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UCPS COLLEGE READINESS
 UNION COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

2023-2024 UCPS College Readiness Series

For more info and to register visit
<https://bit.ly/collegereadysessions>

Live Events

- Scoir for Seniors - Aug.
- Practice SAT - Sept./Oct.
- ACT/SAT Blitz - Sept.
- College Entrance Exams 101 - Oct.
- Union County College Fair - Oct.
- HS Programs Expo - Dec.
- Paying for College - Dec.
- Practice ACT - Jan./Feb.
- ACT Blitz - Feb.
- Getting Ready for College - Mar.
- SAT Blitz - Apr.
- Writing a College Essay - May

On-Demand Library

Always available at the link above.

- Scoir for Underclassmen
- College Recruiting for Athletes
- Choosing the Right Path in HS



@UCPSCollegePrep



ucpscollegeready

Free ACT Practice Tests and Prep

Open to all UCPS high school students

Pretest and Posttest in person
Online content in between

PRETEST:

January 27th, 8 AM- 12 PM

POSTTEST:

February 10th, 8 AM - 12 PM

In person tests held at:
 Porter Ridge High School
 2839 Ridge Road
 Indian Trail, NC 28079

The registration form is set for only UCPS students to be able to complete it! Parents must ask their student to register themselves.

Register by January 24th:

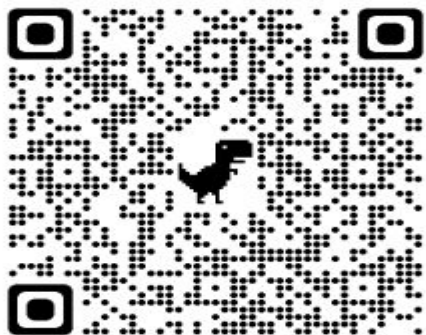
<https://bit.ly/24ACTpracticerequest>



Want to take SPCC classes in high school?
 Want to get a jumpstart on your career?
 Confused about next steps after graduation?

Let's Talk!

Scan below to schedule a meeting:



Shannon Minick
 SPCC Career Coach
sminick@spcc.edu

Need Career advice or direction?
Talk to your Counselor or Career Development Coordinator today to see all of the pathways and academies PR has to offer!

[Click here for more info...](#)

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TARDY POLICY

Parents, it is important that students are on time for classes throughout the day. In order to ensure that you are aware if your child is tardy to class we will begin to send home notifications via our ConnectEd communication tool when your child has an unexcused tardy. We do have consequences for excessive tardies at school and these can be found in our [PRHS Student Handbook](#). Staff at PRHS remind students that the expectation is to go directly from one class to their next class, by taking the most efficient route possible. While we allow 5 minutes for each transition, students should report to their next class as quickly as possible and do not need the full five minutes. We find that students who take the most direct path to get to class and do not go into different parts of the building are always on time to class. If tardiness is due to a late bus they will be given a pass to class and will have an excused tardy which does not count against them. Thank you for your support as we teach our children the importance of being on time.

Attend Today and Achieve Tomorrow

Student attendance at school is expected and is necessary for students to make the most of their learning. Please work with us as we try to teach our students that attendance is required, just as it would be at a job in their future.

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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 the Edulog 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

TECHNOLOGY USE, FEES & HELP

UCPS HAS INSTITUTED A TECHNOLOGY FEE of \$30 this year that all students must pay. [Click here for the online payment system](#). Info on this fee was emailed home earlier this summer, but it will help to cover accidental damage. Mr. Jason Toudt is our Technology Systems Engineer.



HELPDESK HOURS

Monday – Wednesday – Friday

Start: 7:45am

End: 11:30am

Tuesday – Thursday

Start: 12:45pm

End: 3:00pm

- 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.



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