



In collaboration with the Union County Community Arts Council, Porter Ridge Art students created inspirational sidewalk chalk messages at Atrium Health Union West. This project was done as a surprise for the healthcare professionals as they entered work on their first day with patients at the hospital's Grand Opening on March 23rd.





INCLUDED IN THIS ISSUE:

- Wrestling State Champion
- Want to be a lifeguard?
- Men's Basketball
- Class Wars
- Athletic schedule for week of 2/28
- Registration info- Rising 9th, 10th, 11th and 12th
- Counseling Updates- Scholarship info and more
- Internship Application Information
- Senior SlideShow information
- Graduation Dates
- Yearbook



2022 YEARBOOK



PR PRICES INCREASE TO
\$85
ON JANUARY 7TH

yearbookforever.com

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.





Men's Basketball

Pirates enter 2nd round of playoffs tonight!
We are so proud of how far our Pirates have
come!

PLAYOFFS RD 2



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PORTER RIDGE VS CHAMBERS

2ND ROUND NCHSAA PLAYOFFS 7:00 TIPOFF \$8

#FTD



HS BASKETBALL
SENIORS OF
THE YEAR



CJ ANTHONY
PORTER RIDGE

Our very own Pirate -
CJ Anthony is
Charlotte Observer
Senior Athlete of the
Year! Well Deserved
Honor !

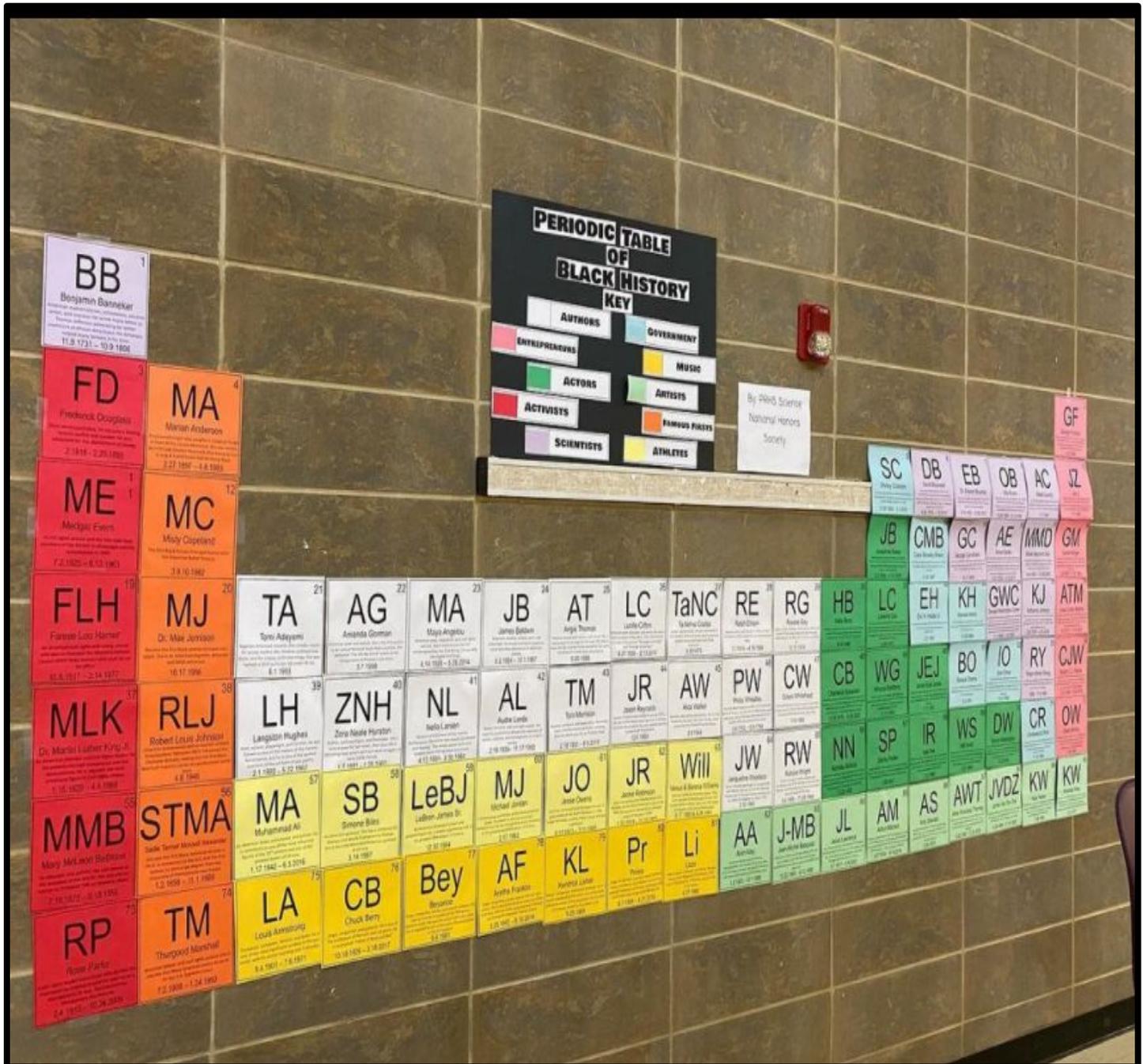
After more than 160,000 combined votes, Observer
readers named the seniors of the year

Observer PREPS
FULL STORY | LINK IN BIO



PRHS CELEBRATING BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Shout Out to our staff and Students for creating a great learning resource for Black History Month including artists, scientists, entrepreneurs and many others! Great idea to use the periodic table format!





PIRATE PALOOZA



Students had a great time at Pirate Palooza this week! Thanks StuCo for a great week





BECOME A TUTOR

at Elementary or Middle School

MONDAY-
FRIDAYS

TUTORING
INVOLVES

- Juniors & Seniors
- Honors Level Course
- English & Math
- 1st, 2nd, & 3rd block

- Working with small groups of students
- Working 1:1 with a student
- Planning
- Collecting data
- Working with the classroom teacher
- Requires recommendation from your teachers

Application Required

Contact Dr. Newnam with any
questions
michelle.newnam@ucps.k12.nc.us





10TH- 12TH GRADE REGISTRATION

See MORE registration information [here](#)

Porter Ridge High School



Rising 10th-12th Grade Course Selection Timeline

Monday 2/21 - Curriculum Night 6:00 pm



- Current HS Families are invited to PRHS Auditorium for a presentation about HS Grad Requirements and Course Selection.

Thursday, 2/24 - Course Selection Info



- During Advisory, students will view the course selection process video.

Monday 2-28- Monday, 3/7 Course Selection Period



- Students will enter course requests in Powerschool. The system will close on 3/7 at midnight.

Thursday 3/3- Q & A Sessions



- Parents can drop in at PRHS for Q&A with Counselors 8:30 - 10:00 am
- Virtual Q&A 3:30 - 5:30pm

3/8 - 4/4 Counselors meet with students individually



- Counselors will send an email to parents and students -parents and students must approve the course requests or they will not be processed





CHECK OUT THESE CTE COURSES AT PRHS

Check in with your counselors for more information

Interior Design Fundamentals

This course engages students in exploring various interior design professions, while building the content knowledge and technical skills necessary to provide a foundational knowledge of the design industry. Emphasis is placed on the interior design process; human, environmental and behavioral factors; color theory, elements and principles of design; hand sketching/digital design techniques, space planning, selection of products and materials for residential interiors; client relationship building and design communication techniques.



Interior Design Studio

(after taking Interior Fundamentals)

Interior Design Studio

Each student will learn to deepen their understanding about the elements and principles of design. They will then utilize them to create elaborate living spaces. Understanding and analyzing client's needs and selecting appropriate colors, fabrics, furnishings, lighting and furniture. Skills such as those used in architectural drafting and space planning are also learned as they prepare sample rooms and floor plans.



ADOBE VISUAL DESIGN 1

(Available as HONORS)

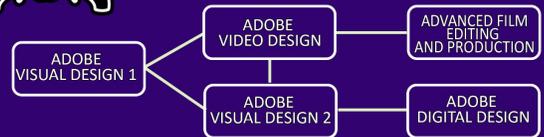


Welcome to the world of Graphic Design! In this course students will work in the industry leading Adobe **PHOTOSHOP** and **ILLUSTRATOR**. Students learn the programs interface, image editing, compositing images, retouching images, digital drawing, painting, and exporting images. Students will have the opportunity to get certified in **PHOTOSHOP** and **ILLUSTRATOR**.

STUDENT EXAMPLES:



ADOBE PATHWAYS



ADOBE VISUAL DESIGN 1

11312 and 11315(Honors)

Welcome to the world of Graphic Design. In this course students will work in the industry leading Adobe **PHOTOSHOP** and **ILLUSTRATOR**. Students learn the programs interface, image editing, compositing images, retouching images, digital drawing, painting, and exporting images.



CERTIFICATIONS:
Adobe Photoshop and
Adobe Illustrator



ADOBE VISUAL DESIGN 2

PREREQUISITE: Adobe Visual Design 1. In this course students will work in the industry leading Adobe **INDESIGN**. Students learn the programs interface, tools, print production, and how to create projects such as flyers, posters, magazine covers, etc.

CERTIFICATIONS:
Adobe InDesign



ADOBE DIGITAL DESIGN

11322 and 11325 (Honors)

Learn to build dynamic webpages. Students use Adobe **DREAMWEAVER** to code fully functional websites. Students will learn the programs interface, web authoring, site testing, and how to maintain a website.



CERTIFICATIONS:
Adobe Dreamweaver

ADOBE VIDEO DESIGN

11335 (Honors)

Students will plan, record, and edit video using the industry standard program Adobe **PREMIERE PRO**. Students will learn the interface, editing video, applying effects, working with audio, and exporting video.

CERTIFICATIONS:
Adobe Premiere Pro





ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING AN ARCHITECT OR ENGINEER?

Students interested in majoring Engineering should look into taking Honors Drafting I next school year. Students will learn how to read and create basic technical drawings.

Most engineering programs require at least one course in a CAD software. Get a head start in high school, and have the opportunity to earn an AutoCAD certification.

Students can also complete the Drafting-Engineering Pathway to earn an additional seal on their diploma. Design and create 3d models with additional opportunities to earn both a User and Professional certification in AutoDesk Inventor software.

Check in with your counselors for more information

Drafting - Engineering

- Skills developed
 - Create and read 3D drawing plans & designs
 - Understand dimensioning systems
- Future Careers
 - Engineer
 - CAD Technician
 - 3D CAD Technician

- Course Sequence
 - Honors Drafting I
 - Honors Drafting II - Engineering
 - Honors Drafting III - Engineering
- Supporting Courses
 - Word & Powerpoint
 - Career Management
 - Marketing
- Industry Certifications
 - AutoCAD Certified User
 - Inventor Certified User
 - Inventor Certified Professional

Students interested in careers in Architecture and Construction should look into taking Honors Drafting I next school year. Students will learn how to read and create basic technical drawings.

Most Architecture programs require at least one course in a CAD software. Get a head start in high school, and have the opportunity to earn an AutoCAD certification.

Students can also complete the Drafting-Architecture Pathway to earn an additional seal on their diploma. Learn how to read and create floorplans with additional opportunities to earn both a User and Professional certification in AutoDesk Revit software.

Drafting - Architectural

- Skills developed
 - Create and read floor plan designs
 - Understand electrical systems
- Future Careers
 - Architect
 - Civil Engineer
 - Electrical Engineer
 - Construction
 - Electrician

- Course Sequence
 - Honors Drafting I
 - Honors Drafting II - Architecture
 - Honors Drafting III - Architecture
- Supporting Courses
 - Word & Powerpoint
 - Career Management
 - Interior Design I
- Industry Certifications
 - AutoCAD Certified User
 - Revit Certified User
 - Revit Certified Professional



ARE YOU INTERESTED IN FASHION OR MARKETING ?

Check in with your counselors for more information

Top 10 Reasons to take Fashion Merchandising!:

1. Fashion Merchandising is perfect for anyone interested in fashion, marketing, art and/or design.
2. **NO HOMEWORK!**
3. Learn about fashion careers, principles of design, fashion trends and forecasting, textiles, fashion buying planning, the marketing of fashion, selling skills, and more.
4. **NO HOMEWORK!**
5. Fashion Merchandising is a fun class with hands-on projects and team-based activities.
6. **NO HOMEWORK!**
7. Create portfolio-worthy elements perfect for getting into a design program after high school.
8. **NO HOMEWORK!**
9. You can **get paid lots of money** while having a fun job!! According to Statista.com, the global apparel market is expected to reach \$2.25 trillion by 2025. (There will be many fashion-related career opportunities in the future!)
10. **NO HOMEWORK!**



Top 10 Reasons to take Marketing!:

1. Marketing is a fun class with hands-on lessons and team-based activities.
2. **NO HOMEWORK!**
3. Marketing is a business-related field that is used in nearly every industry. It will be useful in your future.
4. **NO HOMEWORK!**
5. Learn about Marketing functions- product management, pricing, distribution, selling, information management and promotions.
6. **NO HOMEWORK!**
7. Create a marketing plan for your unique product idea.
8. **NO HOMEWORK!**
9. You can **get paid lots of money** while having a fun job!! In 2020, the average salary for Advertising, Promoting, and Marketing Managers was about \$142,000.
10. **NO HOMEWORK!**





LOOKING FOR A COURSE IN THE ARTS?

Check in with your
counselors for more
information

LIFE IS FULL OF DRAMA

Sign Up For Tech Theatre I

Like theater but not performing. Tech Theatre I may be for you. Learn the basics of lighting, sound, costume, makeup and set design in construction using a hands on approach. Students will gain experience as they construct sets and provide technical support for productions



LIFE IS FULL OF DRAMA

Sign Up For Theatre I

Theatre I introduces you to the wonderful and creative world of theatre. You will learn basic acting techniques, playwriting and basic technical theatre. You will also be able to participate in a performance opportunity as you perform in this year's Theatre Showcase.



LIFE IS FULL OF DRAMA

Sign Up For Tech Theatre II

Tech II allows technicians to apply what they learned in Tech I to a fully realized production. Tech students will work closely with a cast where they will run the backstage team. They will also learn advanced design techniques including computer modeling, white modeling and scale perspective drawing.



LIFE IS FULL OF DRAMA

Sign Up For Theatre II

Theatre II expands on the lessons learned in Theatre I. You will learn advanced acting techniques including but not limited to viewpoints, method acting and improvisational techniques. You will also be able to participate in two performance opportunities as you perform in this year's Theatre Showcase and a children's theater piece. Either theater I or instructor approval is required for this course.





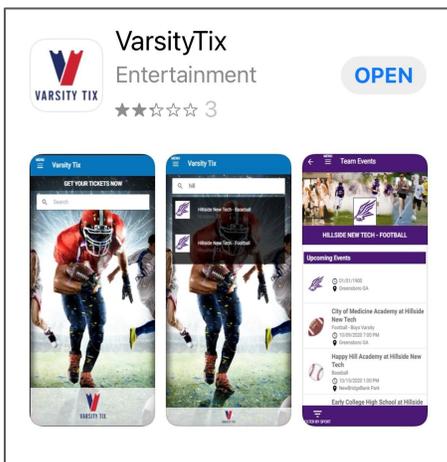
Weekly Athletic Calendar

Check out next week's athletic schedule. Tickets for athletic events can only be purchased online. Cash is not accepted. Each School System has their own ticketing system. If you have any questions, reach out to the home school's athletic director.

THIS WEEK AT PORTER RIDGE

28 MONDAY	1 TUESDAY	2 WEDNESDAY	3 THURSDAY	4 FRIDAY	5 SATURDAY
NO EVENTS	Softball @ West Stanly 4:30 / 5:30	Track @ Cuthbertson 3:45	Softball @ Parkwood 6:00 Women's Soccer vs Central Cabarrus 5:30 / 7:00	Softball vs Independence Varsity 4:00 Men's & Women's LAX vs Independence W 6:30 / M 7:30 Baseball @ Cox Mill 4:00 / 6:30 Women's Soccer @ Mt. Island Charter 4:00 / 5:30	Softball vs Central Davidson 11:00 / 1:00

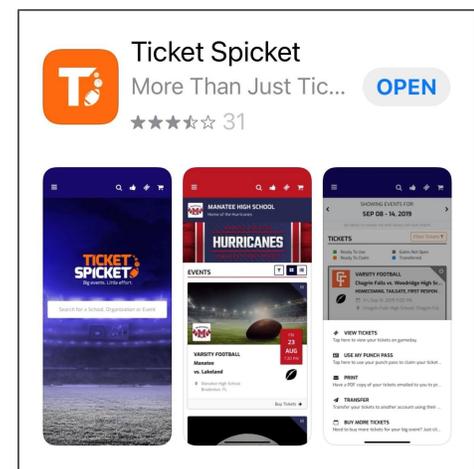
CMS uses
Varsity Tix App



UCPS uses
HomeTownFan



Cabarrus County uses
Ticket Spicket App





PRHS WRESTLING

**Nathan Carnes Wins State Championship!!!!
4A State 220 Wrestling Champion!**

Christian Hasty places in the TOP 8 - 4A wrestlers in the State!!

Siler Weber, Nathan Carnes, and Christian Hasty are names All American Wrestlers!

4A STATE CHAMPION

NATHAN CARNES

WRESTLING 220LB

JR

#COMMITTED

Nathan Carnes Named MVP for all of 4A Wrestling in North Carolina!



Senior Slideshow



Class of 2022 Seniors and Parents of Seniors

We need your help building the Class of 2022 Senior Slideshow! Send us: baby pics, throwbacks (elementary and middle school), school events, family photos, friends, high school life, individual senior pics, pics that sum up the school year, athletic/extracurricular activities.

Reminder: Your photos MUST be school appropriate. Do not include bathing suit pics, explicit substances, profanity, etc.

Send your pictures to prslideshow2022@gmail.com or DM [@prhsseniorslide2022](https://www.instagram.com/prhsseniorslide2022) on Instagram. Don't forget to include your name/your senior's name.



INTERNSHIP INFORMATION

Attention Rising 12th graders, if you have successfully completed at least two CTE courses and reached concentrator status within a career pathway and are interested in participating in a CTE Internship next school year, visit the UCPS CTE website (ucpscte.org) to fill out an application today or log into your Major Clarity account and select Work Based Learning Opportunities. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Webb at sarah.webb@ucps.k12.nc.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

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

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:

- Go to the CTE website: 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.us 704-292-7662
Office: In Counseling Office

UCPS
UNION COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS



CTE

SATURDAY, MARCH 12, 2022

DOORS OPEN AT 7:00AM

FREE ADMISSION

SPONSORED BY

UCPS
UNION COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Career Readiness

A CTE Experience



@UCPSCAREERREADY

<http://www.ucpscte.org>

6th ANNUAL

SPRING ROBOTICS CHALLENGE

Union County Agriculture Center
3230-D Presson Rd, Monroe, NC 28112

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN

**NAIL CARE? BRAID EXTENSIONS? BRAIDS?
CUTTING? COLORING? STYLING?**

COSMETOLOGY OPEN HOUSE

TUESDAY, MARCH 1, 2022
3:30 – 5:30PM

WALTER BICKETT EDUCATION CENTER
704 S. Washington Street
Monroe, NC 28112

UCPS
UNION COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Career Readiness

CTE
Career & Technical Education

See your Career Development Coordinator for more information about the event.



For CURRENT 8th Grade Students

See MORE registration information [here](#)

FOR CURRENT 8TH
GRADE STUDENTS
ONLY



CLASS OF 2026 "SETTING SAIL" RISING 9TH GRADE REGISTRATION TIMELINE

Tu 2/15(6pm) OR
W 2/16(5pm)-
Welcome Voyage
Presentation for
Parent and
Families AT PRHS

Th 2/17 or
M 2/28 or Tu 3/1-
Q&A Session for
parents to meet
at PRHS with
Counselors &
Teachers. 5-7pm

Week of 2/21
Registration
process introduced
to 8th graders by
PRHS Principal,
PRHS & PRMS
Counselors & Staff

M 2/28 - W 3/9
Course Selection
Period. Course
Cards with Teacher
Recs sent home
with students on
2/28. Due back to
PRMS by 3/9.

3/7 - 3/11
8th grade Students
tour PRHS during the
school day.

4/5 - 4/14
High School
counselors will meet
with students during
school at PRMS.





Who is your counselor?

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Tanisha Anderson- last names Cov-Hek
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Bryan James – last names Hel-Mc
bryan.james@ucps.k12.nc.us

Cassidy Lippert– last names Me-San
cassidy.lippert@ucps.k12.nc.us

Alexandra Green– last names Sap-Z
alexandra.green@ucps.k12.nc.us



The counselors are here to support you with school. You can send your counselor an email to set up a meeting to discuss academic, career, college, post high school plans or personal needs.

Follow us on Twitter: @PRHSCounseling 
Follow us on Instagram: prhscounseling 



Announcements

**YOU'RE
INVITED**

TO OUR:

**VIRTUAL Q&A
SESSION**

Join our counselors and department teachers in this open virtual session!

Thursday, March 3rd
3:30 to 5:30pm



Scan the code or
[click here](#) to register



Attention Parents!

Join us for Coffee and Croissants with Counselors!

When- Thursday March 3rd

Drop in between 8:30 and 10

Where- Guidance Suite

Counselors will be available to answer any questions that parents might have.





Announcements

W&W
Waxhaw Woman's Club



2022 Project Prom
Saturday, February 26th from 11 a.m - 5 p.m.
Waxhaw Woman's Club
200 E. South Main Street
Waxhaw

The ladies of the Waxhaw Woman's Club would like to help you get ready for your special event!

Come "shop" our selection of dresses and jewelry

- ◆ All items are free of charge - no income verification required
- ◆ No pre-registration necessary - just show up on the 26th
- ◆ Questions? Call 919-815-7195 or email prom@waxhawwomansclub.org

2022 Summer Opportunities

Click on the following link for an updated list of summer program opportunities for high school students.

[https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ZXYI14gTOXiwQ_0O1Tmlt74sCXfdVyD0CafStfEg-
eo/edit](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ZXYI14gTOXiwQ_0O1Tmlt74sCXfdVyD0CafStfEg-
eo/edit)

Our Career Coach, Mr. Crum is on campus every Monday so if you are interested in taking SPCC Career and College Promise next school year, stop by the guidance office on Monday!



Scholarship Information

Louisiana Robinson Education & Leadership Scholarship (NAACP Scholarship)

Students applying for this scholarship should be interested in pursuing higher education. You will need to submit the following materials by **April 24th, 2022**

- Official Transcript in sealed envelope
- Typed cover letter showing community service through the NAACP signed by the Youth Director in addition to service activities performed through school activities
- Three letters of recommendation, each including the name and phone number of the contact person for verification purposes (may be submitted by letterhead). One letter should be in regard to community service. The other letters of recommendation should be from an employer or school official.
- Essay
- Participate in interview conducted by the NAACP Scholarship Committee (TBD)

To fill out the application click here <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScOkPfOENyIvnvv3rX14tL7s6YRCJvMpW-28iENSdLIFjqK6A/viewform>

Return by mail to: NAACP/Union County Branch, PO Box 3264, Wingate NC 28174
ATTN: Education Chairperson by **April 24th, 2022.**

Waxhaw Woman's Club 2022 Scholarship Program

The 2022 Waxhaw Woman's Club Scholarship Award is seeking young women from the senior class of Union County Public Schools who plan to attend a 2 or 4 year college. Under the program, a \$2500 to \$5000 scholarship will be awarded to a young woman. The application can be found here <https://waxhawwomansclub.org/>

Complete applications must be postmarked by April 1st, 2022.

Union County Association of Educators Scholarship

Are you planning on majoring in Education in college? If so, please see Ms. Lawson for a \$1750 scholarship from the Union County Association of Educators in cooperation with the Retired Educators of Union County. Ms. Lawson has the applications in her office.

The application must be postmarked by April 21st, 2022.



Scholarship Information

Union County Education Foundation College Scholarship

All applicants of our college scholarship create a two-minute surprise video tribute to a UCPS teacher for an opportunity to receive \$1500 toward higher education. UCPS seniors should:

- (1) select a teacher who has had a profound influence on you
- (2) Brainstorm a creative way to pay tribute to the teacher in video format. Videos that are creative, funny, or meaningful get the attention of the judges
- (3) Begin shooting your video! Make sure it is under two minutes
- (4) Keep your video a secret from your teacher
- (5) Brush up your resume, have your recommendation letter ready, and get a PDF of your transcript

Deadline Friday, March 11th, 2022.

Click here to apply

<https://ucedfoundation.org/index.php/grants-and-scholarships/senior-scholarship/>

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Committee Inc Scholarship

Each year the nonprofit Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Committee, Inc., awards scholarships to one or more high school seniors to support their goals of higher education. The Dr. MLK, Jr. Committee will award (2) \$1,000 scholarships for the year 2022.

To be considered for this award, you must complete the scholarship application (see Ms. Lawson in the counseling office) and attach all required documentation:

1. Your official high school transcript
2. A copy of your attendance letter from an accredited college/university or community college
3. Three letters of recommendation - two from school personnel and one from a community (civic, charitable, or religious) representative
4. Your completed essay (if you wrote on an additional page, please be sure to include it)

All applications must be postmarked by Friday, March 11th, 2022.

Union West Rotary Scholarship

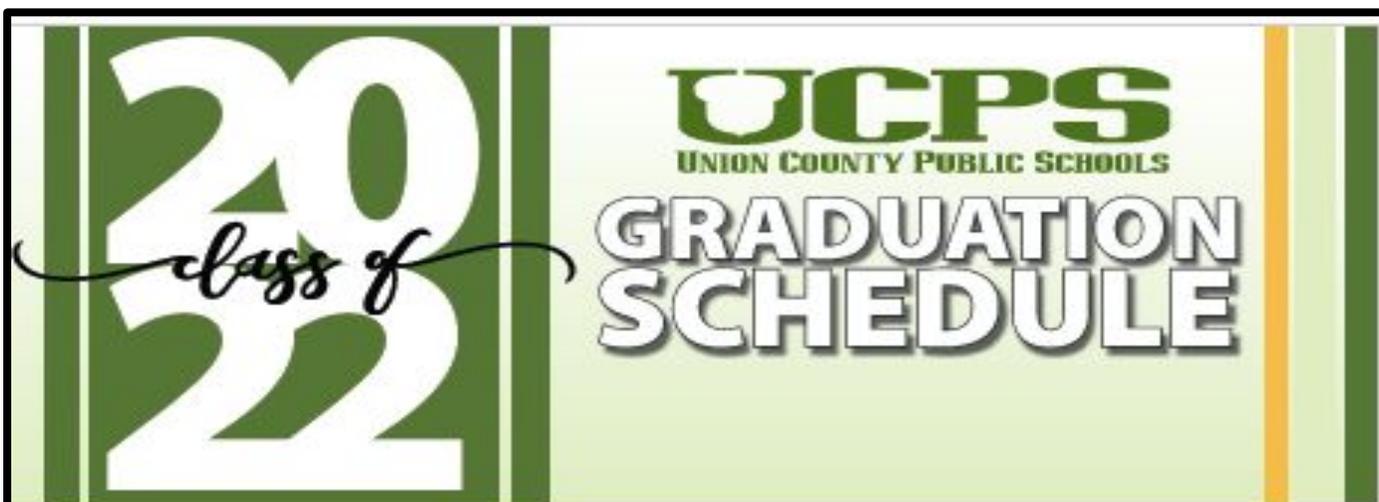
Union West Rotary Club is honored to offer five (5) individual scholarships to graduating high school students at a value of \$1,000 per scholarship. This scholarship is open to Porter Ridge, Sun Valley, and Metrolina Christian Academy and any home school student from Indian Trail. All completed applications will be reviewed and ranked by Union West Rotary by March 17th, 2022.

The top candidates will be invited to a Union West Rotary meeting. Candidates will make a 10-minute presentation about their essay and future plans. **Your application needs to be submitted by March 1st, 2022.** You will write an essay on "What does the Four-Way Test mean to you?" The essay should be no less than 250 words, but no more than 500 words. Complete the online application here

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSem8aTFk6_gc0p6CPb0y_Rvo48FkRYmgdHp94X3tWsqZ9PRmg/viewform



GRADUATION DATES



Union County Public Schools will hold graduations in May and June. The date, time and location of each graduation is listed below. In addition, all traditional high school graduations will be livestreamed on the school's YouTube page for public viewing.

In the event of severe weather, rain dates have been set to reschedule ceremonies. Principals will communicate directly to seniors and their families, if the date of their graduation is changed.

UCPS will follow the latest health and safety guidelines from the North Carolina Health and Human Services Department and the Union County Health Department. Protocols will be implemented to practice social distancing.

School	Date	Start Time	Location
Central Academy of Technology & Arts (CATA)	June 7	8 a.m.	Walter Bickett Stadium
Cuthbertson High	June 7	8 a.m.	Cuthbertson High Stadium
Forest Hills High	June 7	8 a.m.	Forest Hills High Stadium
Marvin Ridge High	June 8	8 a.m.	Marvin Ridge High Stadium
Monroe High	June 7	8 p.m.	Monroe High Stadium
Parkwood High	June 8	8 a.m.	Parkwood High Stadium
Piedmont High	June 6	8 a.m.	Piedmont High Stadium
Porter Ridge High	June 7	8 p.m.	Porter Ridge High Stadium
South Providence School	June 6	6 p.m.	CATA
Sun Valley High	June 6	8 p.m.	Sun Valley High Stadium
Union County Early College	May 11	9 a.m.	SPCC
Weddington High	June 6	8 a.m.	Weddington High Stadium
Wolfe School	June 9	6:30 p.m.	CATA





STUDENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Science National Honor Society will be having our next meeting on Monday, February 28th at 7:35am in Ms. Self's room F205D. Please enter through the Student Lot Door between F and G hall.

Hello FBLA Club, our next meeting will be held on Wednesday March 2nd in Room D100 from 3:10- 4:00 PM. We will continue our Business Seminar Series. Refreshments will be provided. See Mrs. Taylor with any questions. See you there!

Our very first "Ridge Madness" Student vs. Staff basketball tournament will be on Thursday, February 28th from 5:30-7:30 PM. It is free to watch, so come support your favorite Pirates and earn class cup points!



We Are Hiring Lifeguards!

How To Get Certified:

1. Pass a interview screening and pre-swim evaluation and we will register you for our ***FREE** American Red Cross Lifeguard Certification with a commitment to work for the MAFC.
OR
2. Enroll as a paying student and receive certification for personal use.

Cost:
\$175.00 - Members
\$200.00 - Non-Members

Register At The Front Desk!

Several lifeguard classes being offered!

February 22 – March 17...Tuesday and Thursday - 6pm-9pm
March 22 - April 14...Tuesday and Thursday - 6pm-9pm
April 18 - May 5...Monday, Tuesday, Thursday - 6pm-9pm

Pre-requisite swim test on first class/bring swim suit.

For questions contact Bonnie at 704-282-4689



Pre-Swim Evaluation
Tread water without using arms - 2 minutes
Swim 300 yards using freestyle and breast stroke
Brick timed swim test - 1 minute 40 seconds

***Restrictions apply**





Pirate Ports of Information



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