

In keeping with the tradition here at Porter Ridge High School, we will be holding auditions for

SENIOR KEYNOTE SPEAKER

for the graduating class of 2019



ANY senior may audition by following these guidelines:

1. Create a 3 minute speech which centers around the common experiences of the class of 2019 and follows the guidelines given below.
2. Email a copy of this speech to Ms. Cloer at amy.cloer@ucps.k12.nc.us or share through Google Docs by **May 17th**.
3. Be prepared to deliver your speech before a panel of teachers and administrators on **May 28th** during **fourth** block.

Tips for your speeches:

- Speeches are an expression of your own personal style. As such, you are encouraged to put as much of your personality into the speech as possible. However, please remember these pointers:
- We focus on PRHS students and the pride we share as Pirates. Therefore, we do not mention other schools by name or by obvious reference. We also seek to support our school and classmates with our words, not tear them down.
- Your speech should appeal to the student body as a whole. Do not limit your references to one activity, one sport, one club, or one small segment of the student body. Be all inclusive!
- Develop a unifying motif or theme for your speech which will help the audience recognize your ideas.
- Remember, parents, friends, administrators will be in attendance. Make sure you have edited yourself appropriately.
- Humor is fine! Making your audience smile and laugh is a key ingredient in any speech! However, we do not use humor to offend or demean.

Finally, we have had a wide variety of students deliver the keynote address. We are not looking for just one specific type of student. Invariably, though, our winner is a student who identifies with a wide range of students in his/her class and whom his/her classmates will see as genuine and relatable. If you have any questions, please direct them to Ms. Cloer in G209 or to amy.cloer@ucps.k12.nc.us