



# Pirate Press

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**Class of 2024: Click on the Senior Letter below!**  
Students and Parents there is information about graduation, senior week, and more



**[SENIOR LETTER](#)**

**TEACHER  
APPRECIATION  
WEEK  
IS MAY 6-10.  
THANK YOU TO  
OUR PORTER  
RIDGE HIGH  
TEACHERS!**

## **SETTING SAIL TO SENIOR YEAR JUNIOR PRESENTATION**

**🦴 DURING TUESDAY ADVISORIES**

**🦴 LEARN ABOUT THE COLLEGE PROCESS**

**🦴 GET STARTED ON COLLEGE APP ACCOUNTS**

Scan to Register Now:



**Our school nurse is low on snacks/water/juice for the health room.**

We are In need of:

Individually wrapped goldfish crackers.

Juicy juice apple juice box

Waters (any size, prefer small bottles)

Star mint candies.

Please feel free to bring these items by the front office this coming week.



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# AP Exams

Below is the listing of ALL AP Exams. Please review and make sure you know the day, time, and location of your exams.

AP Exam	Date	Time	Room
AP US Government	Monday, May 6th	8:00 am	PRHS E212
AP Human Geography	Tuesday, May 7 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 am	PRHS Media Center
AP Seminar (Digital – make sure to bring charged Chromebook) <i>*if you are enrolled in Stats you will take on the makeup date, May 23<sup>rd</sup> at 12:00 noon*</i>	Tuesday, May 7 <sup>th</sup>	12:00 noon	PRHS Media Center
AP Stats	Tuesday, May 7 <sup>th</sup>	12:00 noon	PRHS E212
AP English Literature (Digital – make sure to bring charged Chromebook)	Wednesday, May 8 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 am	PRHS Media Center
AP Computer Science A	Wednesday, May 8 <sup>th</sup>	12:00 noon	PRHS Media Center
AP Environmental Science	Thursday, May 9 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 am	PRHS Media Center
AP Psychology	Thursday, May 9 <sup>th</sup>	12:00 noon	PRHS Media Center
AP US History (Digital – make sure to bring charged Chromebook)	Friday, May 10 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 am	PRHS Media Center
AP Art & Design Portfolio	Friday, May 10 <sup>th</sup>	Portfolio must be submitted by 8:00 pm	
AP Calculus AB & BC	Monday, May 13 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 am	PRHS Media Center
AP Pre-Calculus	Monday, May 13 <sup>th</sup>	12:00 noon	PRHS Media Center
AP English Language (Digital – make sure to bring charged Chromebook)	Tuesday, May 14 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 am	PRHS Media Center
AP World History (Digital – make sure to bring charged Chromebook)	Wednesday, May 15 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 am	PRHS Media Center
AP Computer Science Principles (Digital – make sure to bring charged Chromebook)	Wednesday, May 15 <sup>th</sup>	12:00 noon	PRHS Media Center
AP Music Theory (2 <sup>nd</sup> part Digital – make sure to bring charged Chromebook)	Wednesday, May 15 <sup>th</sup>	12:00 noon	E212 & Counseling Suite
AP Biology	Thursday, May 16 <sup>th</sup>	12:00 noon	E212
AP Physics I	Friday, May 17 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 am	Counseling Suite



## **PORTER RIDGE HIGH SCHOOL AP TESTING 2024**

You ***should*** bring the following items to the exam room:

- Several sharpened No. 2 pencils (with erasers) for completing multiple-choice answer sheets
- Pens with black or dark blue ink for completing areas on the exam booklet covers and for free-response questions in most exams
- Up to two calculators with the necessary capabilities if you are taking an AP Biology, Calculus, Environmental Science, Physics, or Stats Exam
- Charged Chromebook if you are taking Computer Science Principles, English Language, English Literature, Seminar, US History, or World History

You ***should not*** bring the following to the exam room:

- Electronic devices, such as: cell phones, digital cameras, personal digital assistants (PDAs), BlackBerry, smart phones, laptops, Bluetooth-enabled devices, MP3 players, iPods, e-mail/messaging devices, camera/photographic equipment, devices that can access the internet, or any other electronic or communication devices
- Books, compasses, mechanical pencils, colored pencils, correction fluid, dictionaries, highlighters, protractors, or notes
- Rulers and straightedges (unless you are taking an AP Physics exam)
- Scratch paper (notes can be made on portions of the exam booklets)
- Computers or calculators (except as noted above)
- Reference guides, keyboard maps, or other typing instructions
- Watches that beep or have an alarm, or smartwatches
- Portable listening or recording devices (even with headphones)
- Scissors, pocket knife, or other sharp implements
- Clothing with subject-related information
- Food or drink (*Unless this has been preapproved as an accommodation by the College Board Services for Students with Disabilities office prior to the test date*)

### **Reminders:**

You are required to arrive no later than 10 minutes prior to your exam: 7:50 for the morning administration and 11:50 for the afternoon administration. Students ***may not*** be dismissed until an exam has officially ended; do not ask to leave early if you finish before the end of the exam. If you play a sport or have a job, it is your responsibility to inform your coach or employer of your AP Exam obligation, and arrangements should be made accordingly. Please note that if you ride the bus, you ***may need*** to make alternate travel arrangements as morning exams begin at 8:00 am and afternoon exams end at approximately 4:00 pm.

Get a good night's rest before your exam, and eat a nutritious breakfast/brunch. You are allowed to bring a snack and beverage for your 10-minute break. However, food and drink are prohibited in the exam room. It is advisable to bring a sweater or jacket, in case the room temperature is below your comfort level.

You are required to abide by the policies of both the College Board and PRHS during the exam period. Any misconduct will be reported and could jeopardize your AP Exam score.

AP Scores will be available online in July. You will access your scores via your College Board account. Check the score release schedule, available on the student AP scores website in May.

If you have any additional questions or concerns, feel free to contact Ms. Lawson at Ashley.lawson@ucps.k12.nc.us or (704)292.7662. Thank You and Good Luck!!!



# Pirates In Action

## Spring Senior Nights Thus Far





**Congratulations  
to Prom King &  
Queen -  
Ella Williams &  
Troy Perdue!**

**Prom Court**

**Student Prom  
Committee**

**Adult Prom  
Committee**





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# Student Activities

- **FFA** will have a meeting on May 8th after school in room A114. Please come to this meeting to learn about end of the year events.
- We invite all leadership and club members of **Humanities, Spanish, French, Umoja, and Make-A-Wish** to a Planning Meeting for our second Annual Humanities Festival on May 6th in G106 at 3:15. Please bring a snack to share if you are able and any information to help us make this an amazing event!
- Pirates, the lighthouse team is looking for around ten **students to announce the daily announcements** during the morning and the afternoon. To apply head to the council's office.
- The last day to **pre order your yearbook** is May 5th! Order yours today @ [yearbookforever.com](http://yearbookforever.com) to secure the lowest 2024 price.
- **Juniors, get started with the college application process by attending our Setting Sail for Senior Year presentations.** These presentations will be held during Tuesday Advisories in Guidance. Juniors can register using the QR code found on the Counseling Instagram and in the Pirate Press!
- **Science National Honor Society** will have its last monthly meeting on Monday, May 6th at 7:50 am in E207D. We will be electing officers for next school year. Everyone should plan to attend this important meeting.
- Join us for our combined **Sewing and Upcycling and FCCLA meeting** on Tuesday 5/7 after school until 4:15 p.m. in Room F205B. Please bring a snack to share and don't miss out on this fun activity.
- **The Spanish club** will be meeting May 8, after school in room F102 to plan the activities for the multicultural festival and to give out invitations to the FBLA dinner. You must attend this meeting to get your invitation.
- **FBLA club members** are cordially invited to attend Porter Ridge High School Future Business Leaders of America Speaker Series: "Modern Banking & Identity Protection" Event Date: Tuesday, May 14, 2024, Time: 5:30pm – 8:00pm, Place: Porter Ridge High School Media Center, Registration begins at 5:30pm, forum with question and answer begins at 6:00pm, and dinner will be served at 7:00pm. Casual business attire is required, and you must be properly registered and signed in to receive dinner. Guest Speaker: Lacreeta Parsons, Assistant Branch Manager of State Employees Credit Union You are responsible for transportation to and from school for this event. Please have this form properly signed, and return to your teacher to confirm attendance.

## We need your IDEAS

If you want to see **improvements around the school** that you haven't seen yet, or if you have suggestions on ideas/ activities that we could add throughout the school; **the lighthouse team has a suggestion box for you in the guidance room, where you can submit your ideas anonymously.** There are also fliers around the school with the QR code if you wish to submit your suggestions online. Use your voice to bring the change you want!

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!**



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# PRHS Student Announcements

STUDENT COUNCIL PRESENTS...




## SAND VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT

**MAY 20TH**  
**4:30 PM**

TEAMS OF 6 WITH AN OPTIONAL SUB

FOOD, DRINKS, AND YARD GAMES WILL BE PROVIDED

EACH TEAM WEARS A THEME

SIGN-UPS: APRIL 22ND - MAY 3RD

 **Chesnut Square Park**

PORTER RIDGE HIGH SCHOOL

THE HOOK STUDENT MEDIA



# Two Weeks Left!!

the hook 2024

LAST DAY TO PREORDER YOUR YEARBOOK IS MAY 5TH!!  
 ORDER NOW FOR THE LOWEST 2024 PRICE  
 SCAN THE QR CODE OR HEAD TO [YEARBOOKFOREVER.COM](http://YEARBOOKFOREVER.COM)

INDIAN TRAIL, NC

the hook 2024

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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.

PRHS StuCo is excited to present our annual...

# KICKBALL

MAY 21 @ 5PM



Sign up your team of 6-7 people at all lunches from April 29 to May 3! Limited spots available. FREE of charges for all players and spectators.



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# PRHS Student Announcements

## Porter Ridge FFA **PEACH FUNDRAISER**

**\$25 for 1/2 bushel cling-free peaches**  
**(about 25 pounds)**



**Pre-sales: 4/29/24 - 6/14/24**

**Pick-up: 7/22/24 at PRHS**

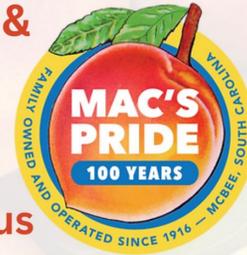
**To purchase peaches, see an  
 FFA member or Mrs. Helms &  
 Mrs. Simpson.**



**SEND QUESTIONS TO:**

**[cassidy.helms@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:cassidy.helms@ucps.k12.nc.us)**

**[jenna.simpson@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:jenna.simpson@ucps.k12.nc.us)**



# CONGRATULATIONS

**ADOBE CERTIFIED PROFESSIONAL**

## **VISUAL DESIGN USING ADOBE PHOTOSHOP**

**YASSIN ALI JEREMY ANDERSON ZASHA CASTILLO GIOVANNI HAMILTON RYAN CHEW**

**MADDOX LALLY ELIJAH LAVERGNE ARI PEARSON RYAN ROGERS CONNOR SLANEY**

**ERICA BATTEN HUNTER CUTSAHW MYA MCCORD AUSTIN KEYLLY THLA NEI**

**NICHOLAS PITERA THOMAS SEROVICH LEVI SMITH DAVID TASAYEV EYOSYAS TEFERA**

**BARRETT APPELYARD COLBY BROWN JULIA COFFEY MCKENNA HUDSON RYAN MOORE**

**CHARLES NICHOLS JHALIL SAUNDERS KAITLIN STUCKY GERALD TAYLOR**

**DE'RHASUN WATKINS NAIEM WHITNER JOHN DEMARIO AIDEN FUNDERBURK**

**BROOKE KRAIESKI EMILY MASONE DONNELL STURDIVANT**

**WILLIAM WERNSDORFER**

**ARIANNA VIANA**

**ASHISH KUTWAL**

**NICHOLAS JOHNSON**



## Pirate Grams... from English

Kindra Kallenbach... Always goes above and beyond  
 Brooke Revels... Excellent research!  
 Luke McLean... Impressive work  
 Emma Lyons... Great job on your quiz  
 Andres Perez... Hard worker and great communicator  
 Gavin Goss... Enthusiastic, positive and always volunteers  
 Nathaniel Marte... Always on task and respectful  
 Liliana Georgoulakos... Excellent work  
 Gabrielle Howard... Authentic and realistic  
 Jesna Sitaula... Great work ethic and focus  
 Adrian Rodriguez Jaquez... Hard worker and great focus  
 Aydan Huseynova... Read so many books!  
 Ethan Snyder... Effective communicator

Casey Soma... Participates with enthusiasm everyday  
 Natalie Donahue... Excellent peer participant  
 Jaya McKeever... Positive attitude and diligent student  
 Emilia Stasik... Very dedicated student  
 Calvin Mitchell... Best in participation  
 Keira Sanders... Very considerate student  
 Elena Delgado... Great improvement  
 Gabriel Hamilton... Quality work  
 Emily McNair... Great participant  
 Brayden Gates... True leader in the classroom  
 Julia Taylor... Has a positive aura  
 Camille Shepard... Unapologetically herself  
 Armando Sanchez Timaure... Has made great improvements  
 Ciera Monday... Student has persevered  
 Hailey Yee... offers great insight during analysis

## Pirate Grams...from Science

Asher Briscoe... Awesome student  
 McKenzie Payne... Insightful and funny  
 Shay Steadman... Really great student  
 Carlisle Eugenio... Very creative and helpful  
 Cailie Eugenio... Most engaged  
 Jo'ziah Chandler... A great role model  
 Addison Hayes... A resilient problem solver  
 Ava Klein... A skilled collaborator  
 Karla Arroyo... Always willing to help  
 Joelle Highshaw... Hard worker, great attitude  
 Joel Osei-Ankomah... Full of energy and life  
 Anh Tu... Always creates beautiful projects  
 Kimberly Islas-Tetelcingo... Hardest working student  
 Amelia Konigsberg... Super intelligent



Students in Mr. Ladimir's Math 1 class are creating review posters they will display and share in class! Students create and collaborate to explain a major Math 1 concept!

## Pirate Grams...from PE

Abigail Forrest... Works hard in the weight room  
 Rosangela D'Oliveira Marquez... Always does the right thing  
 Luke Foster... Constantly working hard  
 Anisia Petrushchenkova... Great attitude and work ethic  
 Maddox Lally... Always tries his best  
 Alise Lamont... Always has a smile on their face  
 Samantha Westley... Steps up in times of need  
 Riley Lane... Goes above and beyond





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# Senior Announcements



## Sprinkle us your Scholarships!

*Seniors, join us for an ice cream scholarship celebration in 4th on May 17th*

*All scholarships must be turned into Ms. Lawson by May 15th to attend!*



PRHS Stadium

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

2024

ACADEMIC SIGNING  
&  
*Awards Day*

TUESDAY, MAY 21ST  
 8:30AM IN THE PRHS MAIN GYM

Students may bring up to 2 guests.  
 Parents are encouraged to attend! Event  
 will be followed by a Senior Breakfast for  
 our students.



# Senior Announcements

The Porter Ridge Student Council Proudly Presents... **Senior Week!** All grades are able to sign up for Goose Chase, Kickball, & Volleyball Tournaments!

5/20	5/21	5/22	5/23	5/24
<b>Met Gala Monday</b> Dress in fancy, "Met Gala" attire. Ex: Suits, Dresses 	<b>To the Future Tuesday</b> Dress in your future school attire, or career. 	<b>Wayback Wednesday</b> Dress as your younger self. 	<b>H.A.G.S. Thursday</b> Wear a white shirt to school for your friends to sign during advisory. 	<b>Fun in the Sun Friday</b> Dress for the summer! -Hats -Sunglasses -Floaties/goggles -In dress-code summer attire 
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Goose Chase begins!</li> <li>• Senior Switch Volleyball Tournament @CC- 4:30 p.m.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Senior Breakfast</li> <li>• Academic Awards &amp; Signing</li> <li>• Kickball @PR practice fields- 4:45 p.m.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elementary School Walks (10-11am)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Band's Big Show @7pm</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Goose Chase ends!</li> <li>• Senior Slideshow</li> <li>• Razzies</li> <li>• Senior Beach Bash</li> </ul>

**CLASS OF 2024 GRADUATION SPEECH AUDITION!**

- SIGN UP TO AUDITION TO BE THE KEYNOTE STUDENT SPEAKER AT GRADUATION BY FRIDAY, MAY 3RD
- YOU WILL AUDITION IN FRONT OF PANEL WITH YOUR FULL SPEECH ON THURSDAY, MAY 16TH
- IF YOU ARE INTERESED, START PREPARING YOUR SPEECH NOW
- EMAIL [TANISHA.ANDERSON@UCPS.K12.NC.US](mailto:TANISHA.ANDERSON@UCPS.K12.NC.US)

Parents, would you like a chance to be more involved with the students and teachers at PRHS? We're looking for PTO Board Vice President and Secretary. We are seeking parents willing to pay to support the PTO's work, willing to donate items for teacher appreciation and school events, and parents willing to volunteer at teacher appreciation events or as needed.

Please email Amy Dieffenbach at [amy\\_dieffenbach@yahoo.com](mailto:amy_dieffenbach@yahoo.com) or Alana White at [alanahwhite@gmail.com](mailto: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](#)**    **[INFORMATION TO LINK VIC CARD](#)**

## Teacher Appreciation Ice Cream Floats- PTO Needs your help- [Click here](#) to donate a gift card

The PTO would like to serve the teachers ice cream floats for teacher appreciation week on May 7. We are asking for Walmart gift cards or a donation. If donating please send to the school office labeled PTO by May 2.



Follow the PTO Instagram Page at [prhs\\_pto](#)



Please help the PRHS PTO raise money to support teachers, staff, and students by allowing us to link your Harris Teeter VIC Card to our organization! Your card can be linked to more than one organization and you'll multiply the rewards that go toward education. By providing your last name and phone number below, you give us permission to link your VIC card for you. [Click here](#) or on the link above.

# PIRATE ATHLETICS



## PORTER RIDGE HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETICS THIS WEEK

**6**

MONDAY

-NO EVENTS

**7**

TUESDAY

-Softball  
1st Rd NCHSAA  
Tournament TBD  
-W Soccer vs  
Cuthbertson 5:30/7

**8**

WEDNESDAY

-NO EVENTS

**9**

THURSDAY

-NO EVENTS

**10**

FRIDAY

-Softball  
2nd Rd NCHSAA  
Playoffs TBD

**11**

SATURDAY

-Track Regionals @  
Davie County HS

#COMMITTED



## ATHLETIC RESULTS THIS WEEK

4/25

Softball vs SVHS- Win

Girls LAX vs MRHS- Loss

Boys LAX vs MRHS- Loss

4/26

Baseball vs SVHS- Win 4-2

Soccer vs SVHS- Loss

4/29

Baseball vs SVHS- Conference Tourney- Loss 7-6

4/30

Softball vs MRHS- Conference Tourney- Loss 2-1

Soccer vs MRHS- Loss

# PIRATE ATHLETICS

Tuesday, May 7th  
PRHS WOMEN'S SOCCER  
SPIRIT DAY



**PURPLE  
OUT**

PORTER RIDGE VS. CUTHBERTSON

Wear all purple to school to support the PRHS Women's Soccer Team. Tag @prhs\_classcup to get points for attending the game!

1 point for basic, 3 points for all out

[CLICK HERE FOR HOME EVENT TICKETS](#)  
[All tickets are sold on this website or at the GATE by credit/debit card.](#)

[CLICK HERE FOR OUR DAILY SPORTS SCHEDULE](#)

## PORTER RIDGE ATHLETIC ZONE



**HEART OF A CHAMPION DAY**  
Atrium Health

## Save the Date

Free high school sports physicals for student-athletes entering grades 9 through 12.  
*Students must be enrolled at an Atrium Health partner high school to participate.*

**Saturday, May 4, 2024**  
Time, schedule and registration details to be announced

Students will receive orthopedic and general wellness assessments from our team of expert providers. Students will also receive heart screenings for sudden cardiac death, not offered during routine physicals, to detect health risks before they become issues.

**PLEASE NOTE:**

- The exam is a screening for school sports — not a complete physical — and does not replace the need for an annual physical with your doctor.

 **Atrium Health**  
Musculoskeletal Institute

# PIRATE ATHLETICS

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.



There will be a **meeting for all women interested in playing tennis** next year on Tuesday, May 21st after school in room E104. Please stop by room E104 if you have any questions.

**Women's Basketball** workouts will be every Tuesday and Thursday. If you have any questions please see Coach Brown.

## WOMENS TENNIS MEETING

2024  
SEASON

MAY 21 AFTER SCHOOL  
ROOM E104

EMAIL COACH MCQUEEN WITH ANY QUESTIONS:  
TJMCQUEEN@EARTHLINK.NET

# PIRATE ATHLETICS

Registration is underway for the 2024 PRABC Golf Tournament, Monday, June 17, 2024. Sign up as an individual or team. We are accepting sponsorships, raffle prizes, gift baskets, goodie bag items and more. Please visit [prathleticboosterclub.org](http://prathleticboosterclub.org) or email [prabcevents@gmail.com](mailto:prabcevents@gmail.com) for more information.



## PORTER RIDGE ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB 2024 GOLF TOURNAMENT

### MONDAY, JUNE 17, 2024



ROLLING HILLS COUNTRY CLUB  
2722 W. ROOSEVELT BLVD  
MONROE, NC 28110



## PORTER RIDGE ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB

# GOLF TOURNAMENT SPONSORSHIPS — LEVELS —

### ALBATROSS SPONSOR - \$2500

- LOGO ON WEBSITE, PIRATE PRESS, FLYERS AND SOCIAL MEDIA POSTS.
- LOGO GOLF TOWEL PROVIDED TO EACH PARTICIPANT
- BANNER AT ENTRANCE TO GOLF TOURNAMENT AS PRESENTER
- TABLE PROVIDED FOR SPONSOR DISPLAY USE
- 2 COMPLIMENTARY FOURSOME INCLUDED

### BIRDIE SPONSOR - \$1000

- LARGE BANNER HOLE (18 AVAILABLE)
- OPPORTUNITY TO SET UP A TABLE AT HOLE
- FOURSOME INCLUDED

### EAGLE SPONSOR - \$500

- YOUR CHOICE OF
  - CONTEST SPONSOR
    - CLOSEST TO THE PIN
    - LONG DRIVE
    - MULLIGAN
    - RAFFLE
- FOURSOME INCLUDED

### PAR SPONSOR - \$100

- ORGANIZATION NAME AND LOGO ON SIGN AT ONE OF THE COURSE HOLES

**FOR MORE INFORMATION**

**VISIT**

<https://www.prathleticboosterclub.org/2024golftournament>  
or email [PRABcevents@gmail.com](mailto:PRABcevents@gmail.com)





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# PRHS COUNSELING NEWS

## Who is your counselor?

**Ashley Lawson**- last names A-Cou  
[ashley.lawson@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:ashley.lawson@ucps.k12.nc.us)

**Tanisha Anderson**- last names Cov-Hek  
[tanisha.anderson@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:tanisha.anderson@ucps.k12.nc.us)

**Bryan James** – last names Hel-Mc  
[bryan.james@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:bryan.james@ucps.k12.nc.us)

**Cassidy Jarrett**- last names Me-Sao  
[cassidy.jarrett@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:cassidy.jarrett@ucps.k12.nc.us)

**Alexandra Green**- last names Sap-Z  
[alexandra.green@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto: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.

**REMINDER**

### DID YOU COMPLETE YOUR FAFSA FORM?

Check your application status at [FAFSA.gov](https://fafsa.gov)

## Sprinkle us your Scholarships!

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*All scholarships must be turned into Ms. Lawson by May 15th to attend!*



### INSTITUTE OF AESTHETICS VISIT

Interested in becoming an Esthetician?

A representative from IA will be on campus Friday, May 3rd during all 4 lunches!



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# PRHS COUNSELING NEWS

collegeboard

AP

Question 4

The graph of a differentiable function  $f$  is shown. If  $h(x) = \int_a^x f(t) dt$ , which of the following is true?

$h'(k) = \int_a^k f(t) dt < 0$

$h'(x) = f(x)$

$h'(k) = f(k) = 0$

$h''(x) = f'(x)$

$h''(k) = f'(k)$

A.  $h'(k) < h'(6) < h''(6)$   
 B.  $h'(6) < h'(6) < h'(6)$   
 C.  $h'(6) < h'(6) < h''(6)$   
 D.  $h'(6) < h''(6) < h''(6)$

AP Calculus AB | MCQ (No Calculator)

## NEW AP DAILY PRACTICE SESSIONS AVAILABLE NOW

New practice videos on AP Classroom and YouTube

Dear Colleague,

The 2024 AP<sup>®</sup> Exam administration is about a month away, and preparations are in full swing. Make sure your students know about all the [free resources](#) in AP Classroom they can use to review material, check their understanding, and get quick feedback on their areas of strength and where they need more practice.

On April 22, we'll be releasing a brand-new batch of [AP Daily: Practice Sessions](#). These videos are focused on practicing free-response and multiple-choice questions for the AP courses that offer them. Last year's videos are still available too.



## AP DAILY: PRACTICE SESSIONS NEW 2024 Videos

### AP Daily: Practice Sessions

- Sessions are 15 minutes each.
- New video recordings for each course will be released on April 22. All videos will be posted on [YouTube](#) and in [AP Classroom](#) and can be watched on demand at any time.
- The 2024 practice sessions aren't available for AP Seminar, AP Research, AP Art and Design, and AP world languages. However, videos on the Review page under Course Resources in AP Classroom are excellent preparation resources for these courses.

[Learn More](#)

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## “Academy Pathway Applications 2024-2025” – Rising 11th & 12th Graders

Academy applications for the 2024-2025 school year will open on February 9th. To learn more about the academies UCPS has to offer and for the application, please visit the UCPS Career Readiness (<https://ucpscte.org/>) page on the UCPS website or see your Career Development Coordinator, Mrs. Webb in guidance.

## Cosmetology Academy Deadline

\*The application for Cosmetology **MUST** be returned to Ms. Webb no later than Friday, May 17th. If the application is not turned in by Friday, May 17th, students will put on a waitlist.

## “2024-2025 CTE Internship”

UCPS Career & Technical Education (CTE) Internship program provides students the opportunity for hands-on experience in areas of career interest prior to college or post-secondary training. The 2024-2025 CTE Internship application will open on February 1st. Students can find the Internship application by going into their Major Clarity account and clicking on Work-Based Learning on the left-hand side.

## Application Deadlines

- Summer 2024 Internship – April 15th
- Fall 2024 Semester – May 1st
- Spring 2025 Semester – October 1st

If you have any questions, please contact your Career Development Coordinator, Mrs. Webb at [sarah.webb@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:sarah.webb@ucps.k12.nc.us).

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](mailto: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!**  
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**CAMPUS VISIT DAY**  
 Tuesday, May 14  
 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

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**TEACHING AS A PROFESSION INFORMATION SESSION**

**NEXT STOP TEACH UCPS**

**MAY 8TH 6-6:30 P.M.**  
**PORTER RIDGE HIGH SCHOOL MEDIA CENTER**

**PLEASE JOIN US TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE TEACHING AS A PROFESSION ACADEMY.**

ASSOCIATE'S PATHWAY	PRE-APPRENTICE PATHWAY	TRADITIONAL PATHWAY	UNIVERSITY PATHWAY
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**UNIVERSITY of NORTH CAROLINA ASHEVILLE**

**Pre-College Programs Summer 2024**  
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Pre-College Programs are open to rising high school sophomores, juniors and seniors. Lodging, meals, excursions and all academic materials are included in the program cost starting at \$1,430 per week.

**Registration Open Now**  
 UNCA.EDU/PRECOLLEGE

For more information, visit [unca.edu/precollege](http://unca.edu/precollege) or contact Office of Conferences & Camps at [precollege@unca.edu](mailto:precollege@unca.edu)

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Participating in AP Capstone can help students:

- Stand out to colleges in the application process.
- Develop key academic skills they'll use in college and beyond.
- Become self-confident, independent thinkers and problem solvers.
- Earn college credit: Many colleges offer credit for qualifying scores.

[www.ucps.k12.nc.us/prhs](http://www.ucps.k12.nc.us/prhs)

**How It Works**

If you earn scores of 3 or higher in AP Seminar and AP Research and on four additional AP Exams of your choice, you'll receive the **AP Capstone Diploma™**.

If you earn scores of 3 or higher in AP Seminar and AP Research, you'll receive the **AP Seminar and Research Certificate™**.

<b>AP Capstone Diploma™</b>	<b>AP SEMINAR (Year 1)</b> Team Project & Presentation Individual Research-Based Essay & Presentation End-of-Course Exam	<b>AP Seminar and Research Certificate™</b>
	<b>AP RESEARCH (Year 2)</b> Academic Paper Presentation & Oral Defense	
<b>4 AP COURSES &amp; EXAMS</b> (Taken at any point throughout high school)		

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UNION COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS



## Summer CAREER ACCELERATOR CAMPS

# REGISTRATION NOW OPEN



Career & Technical Education Registration deadline is May 1

GOOD JOBS GREAT CITIES



May 7

## Youth Apprenticeship Week

Union County Public Schools  
 Youth Apprenticeship Information Session



National Youth Apprenticeship Week is a nationwide celebration that highlights the benefits and value of Registered Apprenticeship program opportunities for youth.

### Tuesday, May 7

- South Piedmont Community College will be presenting throughout the day on how you can EARN while you LEARN.
- Employer partners will be present to share information on how you can start your career NOW including Greiner Bio-One, a local premier manufacturer.
- Parent/Student informational meeting will be held at South Piedmont Community College Tyson Center from 6 - 7 p.m.



Please contact Russell Carpenter, Director of Apprenticeships and Work Based Learning, SPCC, RCarpenter@spcc.edu or 704-290-5892 for more information!

Youth Apprenticeship Week events are sponsored by the City of Monroe's Good Jobs, Great Cities Strategic Management Cohort.

# NEXT STOP TEACH UCPS

## Want to become a teacher? Start your journey right now in high school!

- Three pathways are offered
- Earn an Associate's Degree from SPCC at no cost
- Attend Wingate University to earn a Bachelor's Degree
- Earn a Gateway to Wingate Scholarship - Students pay no more than \$2,500 per year
- Participate in apprenticeship and internship programs, professional development and student teaching opportunities
- Become a certified teacher within four years after high school

When I enrolled in the Teaching as a Profession class, I expected to learn the basics of how to be a teacher. In other words, I anticipated purely learning how to share information with others, the process of grading tests, finding worksheets, and other responsibilities of a teacher. I learned so much more in this class than I ever had in mind. I gained new insight on how different ages of children act, how to curate a classroom that is inclusive, how each student has a unique learning style, and that a classroom is made up of several different parts, not just the academic instruction.

*Mica Anderson*  
 Senior, Weddington High



FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO REGISTER FOR THE ACADEMY

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## Want to become a teacher? Start your journey right now in high school!

Union County Public Schools recently launched Next Stop: TeachUCPS, a teacher pipeline program for high school students. Through an innovative partnership with South Piedmont Community College (SPCC) and Wingate University, UCPS is growing its own teachers and providing a roadmap that removes financial barriers for pursuing a teaching license.

### ASSOCIATE'S PATHWAY

- Available to all UCPS high school students
- High school diploma and Associate's Degree from SPCC upon exiting high school
- Gateway to Wingate Scholarship
- Classroom teacher in 2 years after high graduation

#### COST:

Associate's Degree = Zero Tuition  
 Gateway to Wingate Scholarship = No more than \$2,500 per year

### TRADITIONAL PATHWAY

#### PRE-APPRENTICE PATHWAY

- CTE Academy currently at Weddington High School with plans to expand to Porter Ridge High School in 2023-2024
- Register as UCPS Teacher Preparation Pre-Apprentice
- Earn a high school diploma then to SPCC up to 2 years as a UCPS Apprentice while working as a UCPS Teacher Assistant
- Gateway to Wingate Scholarship
- Classroom teacher 2-4 years after high school graduation

#### COST:

Associate's Degree = Zero Tuition  
 Gateway to Wingate Scholarship = No more than \$2,500 per year

#### UNIVERSITY PATHWAY

- CTE Academy currently at Weddington High School with plans to expand to Porter Ridge High School in 2023-2024
- Complete the 2 Teaching as a Profession courses
- High school diploma
- May transfer up to 7 credits directly to a 4-year university
- Classroom teacher 4 years after high school graduation

#### COST:

Student incurs cost

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Q. If a student is enrolled in the Pre-Apprentice or Traditional Pathway, do they have to transfer to Weddington High School or Porter Ridge High School?

A. No, students will stay at their home school and travel to take the Teaching as a Profession courses at either Weddington High School or Porter Ridge High School. Please see your Career Development Coordinator for information about transportation.

Q. Is there a fee for this program?

A. Under Next Stop: TeachUCPS, tuition fees are covered. The program does not fully cover additional fees.

Q. If a student is enrolled in the Pre-Apprentice or Traditional Pathway, can they still participate in the Career and College Promise program?

A. Yes, students have the opportunity to take community college courses through Career and College Promise while in the program.

Q. Will the CTE Teaching as a Profession Pathway be expanded to other high schools?

A. This will be reviewed annually and program expansion will be based on student interest and available funding.

Q. How can I learn more about TeachUCPS and apply?

A. Talk to the Career Development Coordinator at your school or visit [ucps.k12.nc.us](http://ucps.k12.nc.us) and click on: Academics - High School Education - NextStop: TeachUCPS



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WINGATE GATEWAY SCHOLARSHIP
WINGATE



South Piedmont Community College  
Central Piedmont Community College  
Stanly Community College  
Richmond Community College  
Rowan-Cabarrus Community College  
Blue Ridge Community College



## A four-year degree for \$2,500 per year or less?

### Make your dreams a reality with the Wingate University Gateway Scholarship

Wingate University is working with area community colleges to break down financial barriers and provide students with a seamless transfer pathway. Our community college partners include South Piedmont, Central Piedmont, Stanly, Richmond, Rowan-Cabarrus and Blue Ridge.

Build on your success in community college and earn a scholarship to complete your bachelor's degree for no more than \$2,500 per year in tuition!

#### Requirements

- Meet our admission standards
- Earn your associate's degree from a participating community college with at least a 2.5 GPA.
- Complete the FAFSA or financial responsibility form.

#### Gateway Scholarship NEXT STEPS

1. Submit an online application to Wingate.
2. Provide your high school and community college transcripts.
3. Complete the FAFSA or financial responsibility form.
4. Once accepted, commit to Wingate by submitting your enrollment deposit.



### Gateway Scholarship FAQs

- Our admission application is FREE. There is no separate application for the scholarship. High school students should submit our first-year undergraduate application. High school graduates (those who completed community college courses after graduating from high school) should use the transfer-student application.
- The scholarship is for up to 4 years (8 semesters) at Wingate as long as students maintain a GPA consistent with our academic standards.
- The scholarship is applied to a student's financial aid after all other institutional, federal and state aid have been applied toward tuition.
- The scholarship can be used for any undergraduate program (not just certain majors.)
- Scholarship recipients are responsible for the costs of room, board and a meal plan if they live on campus (average additional cost of \$10K per year).
- The scholarship is not limited to a certain number of recipients each year. Any student who meets the qualifications is eligible.
- Although it is not an income-based scholarship, families are required to complete the FAFSA or a financial responsibility form, to be eligible.
- The scholarship includes any associate degree pathway.
- Students must be enrolled full-time at Wingate (12 or more credit hours) to receive the scholarship.

#### Areas of Study

##### Undergraduate Majors

- Accounting
- Biochemistry
- Biology
- Agricultural and Food Systems
- Biology and Education
- Environmental Biology
- Environmental Biology/Public Health Track
- Chemistry
- Chemistry and Business
- Communication
- Health Communication
- Journalism
- Speech & Theater
- Sports Medicine
- Strategic Communication
- Criminal Justice
- Education
- Educational studies
- Elementary Education
- Middle Grades Education
- Reading & Elementary Education
- English
- English & Education
- Exercise Science
- Fitness Professional Track
- Pre-Professional Track
- Finance
- Health and Physical Education
- History
- History Education
- Human Services
- International Business
- Management
- Marketing
- Mathematics
- Mathematics & Business
- Mathematics & Education
- Music
- Music Education
- Music Performance
- Nursing
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Public Health
- Religious studies
- Sociology
- Sport & Recreation Management

##### Pre-Professional Programs

- Pre-Professional Programs
- Pre-Dentistry
- Pre-Law
- Pre-Medicine
- Pre-Nursing
- Pre-Occupational Therapy
- Pre-Pharmacy
- Pre-Physical Therapy
- Pre-Physician Assistant
- Pre-Veterinary Medicine
- Pre-Ministerial

##### Graduate Programs

- Accounting
- Business
- Education
- Elementary Education
- Educational Leadership
- Higher Education
- Executive Leadership
- School Superintendency
- Medical Science
- Occupational Therapy
- Pharmacy
- Physical Therapy
- Physician Assistant
- Public Health
- Social Work (under development)
- Sport Management

### Gateway to Wingate Tips

- Plan your courses. Work with your community college advisor and Wingate to ensure that your courses will transfer toward your major.
- Visit Wingate University's campus.
- To receive a schedule that best fits your academic goals, submit your enrollment deposit early.

If you have questions about Wingate's admissions application, please contact Valerie Graham, Valerie@wingate.edu, 704-233-8103.



## Join Our Team!





## May 8th

131 W Matthews St, Matthews, NC  
10 a.m.-2 p.m. *We will be conducting on-site interviews!*

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For more information, visit [careers.windstream.com](https://careers.windstream.com)



**We have made a change on how we are accepting absence notes.** Our attendance counselor has transitioned to a different job and UCPS is no longer filling these jobs. If you have questions about your child's attendance please call the main office at PRHS and our staff will assist you. Moving forward we will be accepting parent notes only using an [electronic Absence Reporting Form linked here](#). Please bookmark the form. It will also be linked on our website and in our newsletter. There is information below about using the form, and more information on the form itself:

- This form is to be used by a PARENT/GUARDIAN to report a **STUDENT'S PREVIOUS DAY OR CURRENT DAY'S absence** from school due to illness.
- A maximum number of **FIVE (5) days can be excused FOR ILLNESS with a parent note** (uploads to this form) each semester, for an approved 'excused absence reason. A request for an exception to this guideline should be directed to your child's administrator or counselor for Principal approval. (This includes paper/email notes that were sent in prior to this form being available.)
- Official Medical/Court/Legal Absence notes should still be turned in to the main office on paper. Please do not complete this form when you are providing documentation from a doctor (or court, DMV, etc...).
- Only the parent or guardian may complete this form, no students. Parent email completing form will be verified with email(s) we have on file, only forms submitted by a matching email will be accepted. IF you need to verify your email that we have on file - it is the email address that we send the weekly Pirate Press newsletter to. You can verify other addresses by calling the school.
- \*Email and paper Parent Notes for illness will no longer be accepted\*
- Students arriving to school late, or returning to school from a medical/court/legal appointment should continue to sign in to school and turn in their doctor/court/official note to the front desk.

## **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.

## 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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