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Graduation Information is on Pages 1-3

All students should have turned in their **Chromebooks** at this time. If you have not turned in your Chromebook and charger, then please bring them to the school.

Please stop by the office to pay any owed fees.

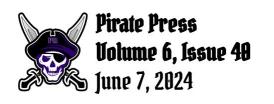
UPDATED: Class of 2024: Click on the Senior Letter below! Students and Parents there is information about graduation, senior week, and more SENIOR LETTER

Graduation Procedure Explanation Video. Click the link below or on the video. Very Informative! <u>Click HERE</u> <u>Click here</u> for graduation day parking information, accessible parking and seating, weather information, graduation ticket and packet information, and more.



Click on the Live Stream Ad to View or https://www.youtube.com/live/gKxyqClOrMQ







Senior Grad Pics

Lifetouch

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Hello, Porter Ridge High School!

It's almost time for your Spring graduation ceremony with Lifetouch, powered by PhotoDay! Thanks for choosing us to send your students off with the pomp and circumstance they deserve.

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It's almost time for our graduation ceremony!

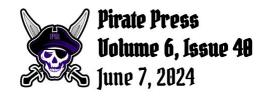
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If purchased, your AdvancePay credit will be applied to your order! Just sign in with your phone number at check-out.

Text PGHW92894 to 90738* or visit https://my.photoday.com/g and enter your phone number followed by your access code to get started.



Senior Announcements

Porter Ridge Senior - Allie Albrecht, a senior Featured by UCPS!

<u>Click here</u> to read the story

Congratulations to School senior Cali Tindall, who received the John H. Crowder Award at the Union County Board of Education meeting.

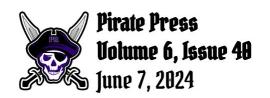












Upcoming Senior Class of 2025 Photos



Schedule

Class of 2025 Porter Ridge High School

July 29-August 2,2024

Schedule Over The Phone: 855-773-3321 Schedule Online: WWW.UPSTATE-IMAGES.COM/SENIORS

Or Scan This QR Code To Schedule Online:

minutes early to check-in. DO NOT MISS YOUR SCHEDULED APPOINTMENT, times and dates at this location are limited!***



Session Options

25-30 Images **8** Different Backgrounds

\$55 3 Casual Outfits Plus we provide a Tux or Suit/Drape and a Cap & Gown

Gold Session:

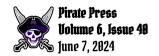
Platinum

Session:

16-20 Images \$40 6 Different Backgrounds 2 Casual Outfits Plus we provide a Tux or Suit/Drape and a Cap & Gown

Silver **Session:** 10-15 Images \$25 4 Different Backgrounds 1 Casual Outfits Plus we provide a Tux or Suit/Drape and a Cap & Gown

We offer a yearbook-only session at no cost, call 855-773-3321 (Mon-Fri 9am-5pm) to schedule this session. (Not available to schedule online.)

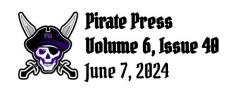


Summer Theater Camp





Students are reminded to continue to check the <u>Student Daily Announcement Page</u> 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 <u>PRHS Website</u>. The Pirate Press is the main form of communication from school to home. **Please follow us on social media linked on this page!**



Parent Information

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 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 OR CODE







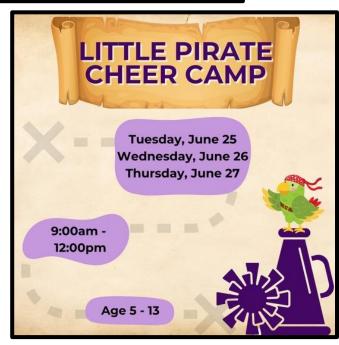
Follow the PTO Instagram Page at prhs_pto



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.



Click <u>HERE</u> to sign up for Little Pirate Cheer Camp. Deadline is June 14th. Contact Coach Lawson with any questions.



PORTER RIDGE ATHLETIC ZONE









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 or email 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





GOLF TOURNAMENT SPONSORSHIPS — L.E.V.E.L.S.—

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
- RAFFLEFOURSOME INCLUDED

PAR SPONSOR - \$100

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

FOR MORE INFORMATION

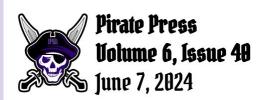
VISIT

https://www.prathleticboosterclub.org/2024golftournament or email PRABCevents@gmail.com



FALL SPORTS COACHES DIRECTORY

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Cheer JV	Ashley Lawson	ashley.lawson@ucps.k12.nc.us
Cross Country	Lea Schullery	lea.schullery@ucps.k12.nc.us
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Who is your counselor?

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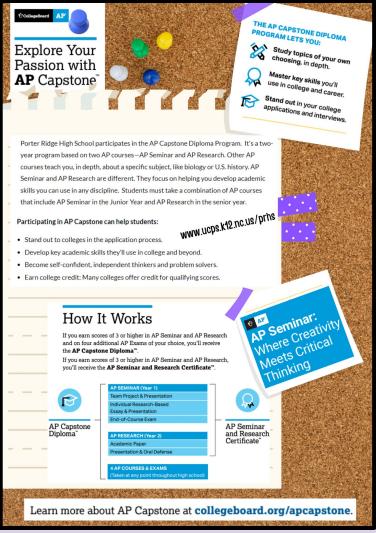
Alexandra Green– last names Sap-Z alexandra.green@ucps.k12.nc.us

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.



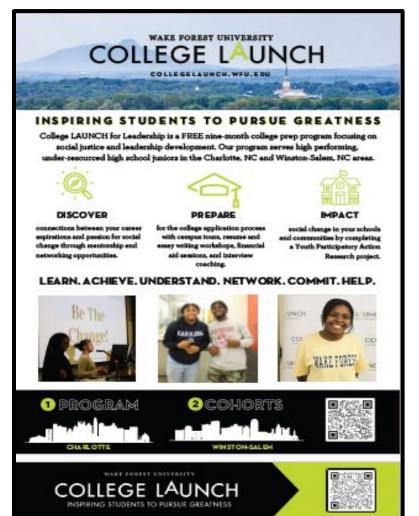
PRHS COUNSELING NEWS







PRHS COUNSELING & CAREER NEWS



Want to take SPCC classes in high school? Want to get a jump start 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

What is Wake Forest College LAUNCH for Leadership?

College LAUNCH is a FREE, nine-month program for high school juniors that uplifts students by preparing them for college, empowering their social consciousness, and leveloping skills for courageous leadership. By cultivating academic curiosity, LAUNCH Scholars discover their potential and impact their community as catalysts for change.

Application Eligibility

- Be a rising college bound high school junior (Class of 2026)
- Have a clean high school disciplinary record
 Have a strong academic background and a
- passion for leadership and social justice Be located in Winston-Salem, Charlotte or the surrounding communities, as Scholars are required to attend monthly in-person events at their regional Wake Forest University Campus

Students who are from under-resourced communities who are first generation are encouraged to apply

Application Requirements:

- Two well-crafted essays that ond to the application
- teacher, school counselor, or administrator who knows the
- A self-reported GPA and

College LAUNCH Fast Facts

- 9 month program (September May)
 1 Saturday a month in Winston-Salem Charlotte (9:00 am - 1:00 pm)
- Scholars complete a Community Research and Action Project that looks great on college resum
- scholars prepare for the college application ess through Saturday Summits and college essay practice
- Scholars receive mentorship opportunities and guided career exploration
- 100% of Scholars graduate college ready
 In 2023, Scholars collectively earned
- over \$13 million dollars in college
- Scholars benefit from a network of support and community

The LAUNCH Application is open from Jonesory 8th until August 1st, 2024.

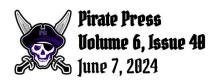
College LAUNCH is open to all Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis.

Application decisions are not made on the basis of gender or race.

COLLEGELAUNCH.WFU.EDU







PRHS COUNSELING & CAREER NEWS



Make your dreams a reality with the Wingate University Gateway Scholarship

Wingate University is working with area community colleges to brea on 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.

NEXT STEPS

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



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
- 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
- Students must be enrolled full-time at Wingate (12) or more credit hours) to receive the scholarship

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

Areas of Study

Undergraduate Majors

- Biology and Education
 Environmental Biology
 Environmental Biology/Public
 Health Track
- Chemistry
 Chemistry and Business
 Communication
 Health Communication
 Journalism
- ournaism

- Middle Grades Education Reading & Elementary Education
- English English & Education

Pre-Professional Programs

Graduate Programs

Business
Education
Elementary Education
Educational Leadersh
Higher Education
Executive Leadership
School Superintende

Medical Science

Managemer Marketing

Mathematics & Education

Music Performance

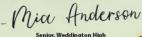




Want to become a teacher? Start your journey right now in high school!

- · 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







FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO REGISTER FOR THE ACADEMY





Want to become a teacher?

Available to all UCPS high school students

Gateway to Wingate Scholarship

Classroom teacher in 2 years after high graduation

COST:

Gateway to Wingate Scholarship = No more than \$2,500 per year

CTE Academy currently at Weddington High School with plans to expand to Porter Ridge High School in 2023-2024

Register as UCPS Teacher Preparation

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

Gateway to Wingate Scholarship = No more than \$2,500 per year

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High school diploma May transfer up to 7 credits directly to a 4-year university

Classroom teacher 4 years after high school graduation

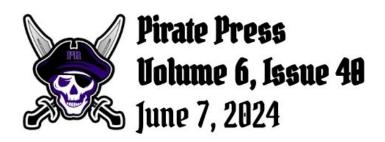
COST:

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

- nt 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.
- O. 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 and click on: Academics High School Education NextStop: TeachUCPS

- PARTNERSHIPS



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