

# Pirate Press

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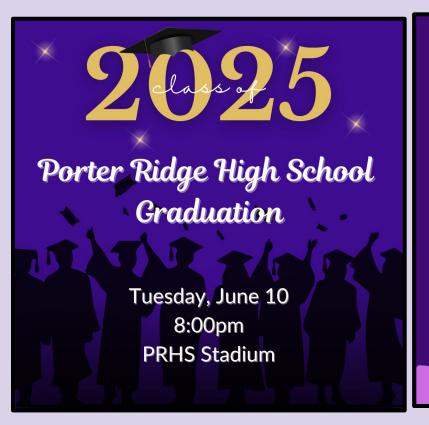
Click here for the Senior

Letter with important

information for

Graduation

Check out the rest of the newsletter for more Information about Senior Week and the senior pages



# SETTING SAIL TO SENIOR YEAR JUNIOR PRESENTATION

- DURING TUESDAY ADVISORIES
- **THE COLLEGE PROCESS**
- CET STARTED ON COLLEGE APP ACCOUNTS

**Scan to Register Now:** 





## Exam Information

IMPORTANT - about exemptions AND attendance recovery .....

- Teachers will share tentative exam exemption status with students on 5/27 and final status on 5/30. If you are unsure ask your teacher.
- The information that teachers (or Admin) will share with you is accurate for the day that they give you the information HOWEVER if your grade average changes because of work submitted or tests taken your exemption status will change.
- Your attendance is REQUIRED all the way up through final exams. If you have completed all of your required exams you are not required to come to school on the makeup exam day it will be coded as an excused absence- it will not affect your exam exemption or whether you pass/fail a course due to attendance. If you are a student-athlete these absences may affect your eligibility so please be sure that you are well under the 12 absence limit.
- Your grades all count all the way through the end of the grading period.
- You are REQUIRED to do attendance recovery if you have more than 8 absences. If you have accumulated more than 8 unexcused absences you have received emails from Ms. Elliott about recovery. You should be checking your email. The Principal, Dr. Fisenne, typically waives your excused absences as long as they are not excessive so it is usually your unexcused absences (this includes suspensions) that you need to recover so that you end up with less than 8 unexcused absences. You have had this opportunity all semester at The Study Cove, or by attending your teacher's tutoring you have very limited opportunities remaining. You should go see your counselor if this applies to you.
- If you are still confused at this point, please see Dr. Fisenne or any administrator during lunches so that she can explain to you directly
- **Schedule for A day B day Final assessments** Students will report to their Aday class each morning (based on schedule below) and will take both their Aday and Bday exams in that Aday classroom.
- Final Exam Schedule Information: All students will test on campus. Buses will depart at @12:30
- Monday 6/2 First Block exams
- Tuesday 6/3 Second Block exams
- Wednesday 6/4 Third Block exams
- Thursday 6/5 Fourth Block exams
- Students missing an exam day will come in on Day Five for the makeup day: Friday 6/6 (Buses depart at 3:05 on 6/6).
- Exam Reviews: Review for all final exams on Friday 5/30 in class.

## Attendance Wainers



# ATTENDANCE MATTERS WAIVER INFORMATION



Students must be in attendance at school. Students who miss 8 or more days may fail the course due to attendance.

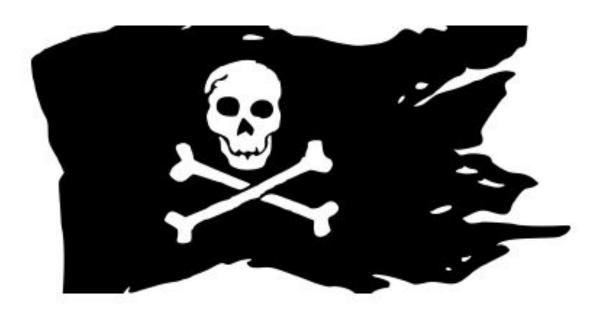
As a school, we do realize that there may be extenuating circumstances that caused a student to miss more than the allowed number of absences from school. Please understand that this process is for serious extenuating circumstances only. Students should continue to complete attendance recovery while they are applying for a waiver.

HOW TO APPLY

SUBMISSION DEADLINE
MAY 29TH

Starting Tuesday, May 20th, come to the counselor's suite to see your counselor and receive the waiver form

## Attendance Waivers



## ASISTIR A LA ESCUELA ES IMPORTANTE!

## INFORMACIÓN PARA EXCUSAR



Es importante clarificar que los estudiantes pueden no pasar las clases por más de 8 ausencias.

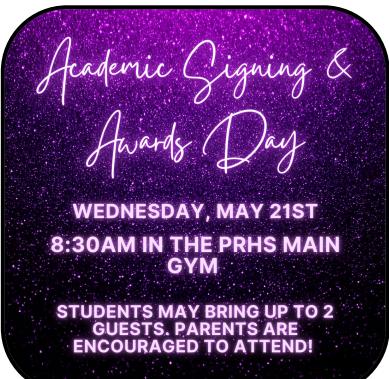
Como escuela, entendemos que hay causas incontrolables por las cuales se falta y causan muchas ausencias en el semestre. Es importante que entiendan que este proceso de aplicación es sólo para este tipo de ausencias! El estudiante debe de continuar asistiendo a la recuperación de ausencias los Martes y Jueves después de la escuela, mientras se este aplicando por la forma para excusarlas.

### CÓMO APLICAR?

LA FECHA LÍMITE DE ENTREGA ES EL 29 DE MAYO A partir del martes 20 de mayo, ve a la oficina de los consejeros para hablar con tu consejero y recibir el formulario para solicitar la excusa de tus ausencias

## Senior Information

CLICK HERE FOR THE SENIOR LETTER WITH IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR GRADUATION





## SENIOR BREAKFAST

TUESDAY, MAY 20TH

JOIN US DURING 1ST BLOCK IN THE CAFETERIA FOR YEARBOOKS AND BREAKFAST!

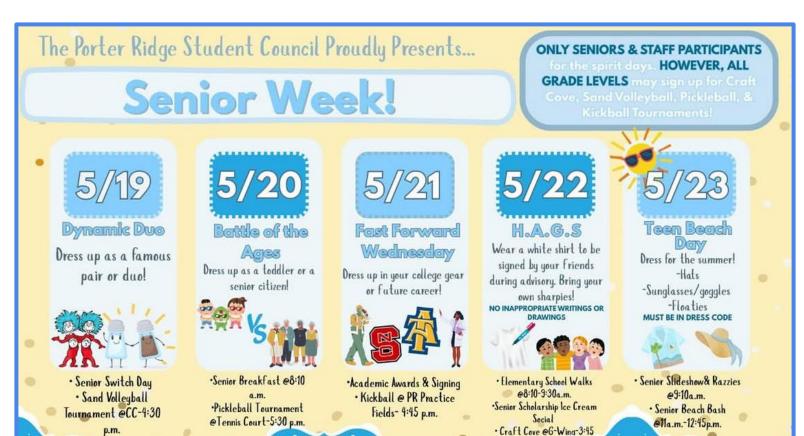






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## Senior Week







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# MAY 22ND @ 3:45 in G-Wing Atrium Sign-ups @ Lunch: 04/28 - 05/02 ONLY 40 SPOTSI ONLY 40 SPOTSI ONLY 40 SPOTSI ONLY 40 SPOTSI ONLY 40 SPOTSI



## Student Life Activities

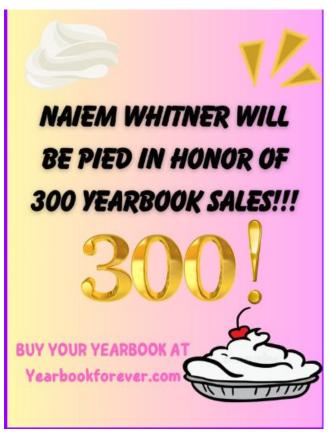




Students are reminded to continue to check the <u>Student Daily Announcement Page</u> to be updated daily on events at PRHS. Please review our table of contents on this page and use this newsletter to stay informed throughout the year, as well as, our <u>PRHS Website</u>. The Pirate Press is the main form of communication from school to home. **Please follow us on social media linked on this page!** 



## Student Life Activities





All books are due back to the Media Center by Friday, May 23. Any unreturned books will be charged to student accounts.









## Student Life Activities



You're invited to the Piedmont-Porter Ridge High Schools Chapter

# **BAKE SALE**

Fundraiser

MAY 17, 2025 | 10AM - 2PM

Homemade Ice Cream - Fresh Squeezed Lemonade - Assorted Baked Goods - Wyatt's Detailing Services

Piedmont High School 3006 Sikes Mill Rd, Monroe, NC 28110







# ADVISORY & PORTRAIT OF A GRADUATE

Students meet in advisory period twice a week on Tuesdays and Thursdays and learn about leadership, goal setting, problem solving, and more. UCPS Graduates are Effective Communicators, Resilient Problem Solvers, Key Contributors, Innovative

Leaders, and Skilled Collaborators! Students serve Porter Ridge through Leadership!



Apparel 1 students with Ms. Goldberg; some wearing their final products!

## PRHS Pirate Grams

Savannah Dellinger- Being so dedicated to school work! -Ms. Hill

Jaya McKever- Working Hard! -Ms. Hill

Melody Castro-Turn around on work ethic and attitude! -Ms. Cosma

Alessia Kaleda- Values strong work ethic and attentiveness! -Ms. Cosma

Alise Lamont- Great personality, coming out of her shell, proud of your hard work! -Ms. Cosma





#### Who is your counselor?

**Ashley Lawson**- last names A-Cou ashley.lawson@ucps.k12.nc.us

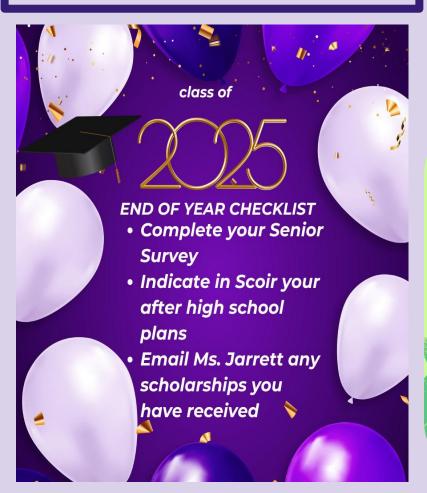
Tanisha Anderson- last names Cov-Hek tanisha.anderson@ucps.k12.nc.us

**Bryan James** – last names Hel-Mc bryan.james@ucps.k12.nc.us

Cassidy Jarrett – last names Me-Sao cassidy.jarrett@ucps.k12.nc.us

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

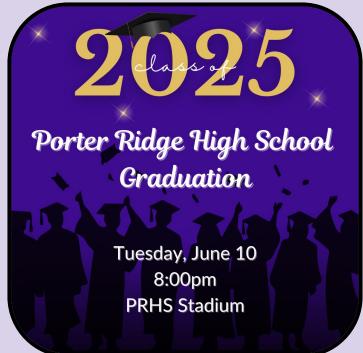
The counselors are here to support you with school. You can set up a meeting to speak to your counselor about academic, career, college, post high school plans or personal needs. If you have any questions please feel free to send your counselor an email.



## PRHS COUNSELING NEWS

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

Click here for more info...





- THE PIRATE SCHOLARSHIP

  ODOCUMENT HAS BEEN
  UPDATED WITH SEVERAL
  NEW SCHOLARSHIPS
- MAKE SURE TO CHECK THE DOCUMENT FREQUENTLY FOR NEW OPPORTUNITIES
- DOCUMENT CAN BE FOUND ON THE PRHS WEBSITE,

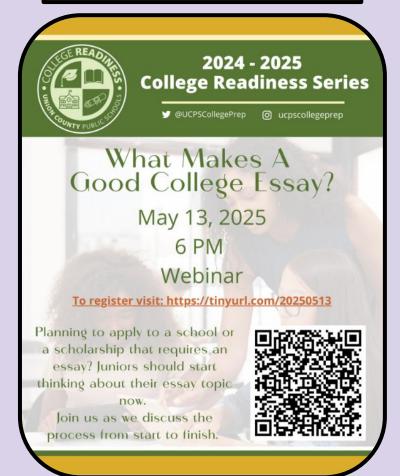
  STUDENT CANVAS ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND LINKED IN OUR
  INSTAGRAM BIO



# Attention Class of 2026!

Thank you to all those who came to our Junior night on April 14th. Below is the link to the presentation if you were not able to attend:

https://docs.google.com/pre sentation/d/1g2ILHIVnzxvn DTZo2ADhOxFbQz0EgoD2 JFQit8KQGwU/edit?slide=id .p#slide=id.p



## PRHS COUNSELING NEWS



If you are interested in taking SPCC courses, Summer registration and Fall pre-registration is open now. Please speak with your counselor and schedule a meeting with Ms. Sturdivant, our SPCC Career Coach to learn more. Ms. Sturdivant's email can be found in the Guidance Lobby.





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## College Readiness Student Opportunities







Infinite Campus Parent Information
Infinite campus will be the new
gradebook and student information
application replacing Power School
next year. Click below for parent
information.

English: <a href="https://youtu.be/noYbSQxz6m0">https://youtu.be/3UELvzz-Cgs</a>
Russian: <a href="https://youtu.be/h0AtWziCKho">https://youtu.be/h0AtWziCKho</a>
Ukrainian: <a href="https://youtu.be/qBibr6Dxpoo">https://youtu.be/qBibr6Dxpoo</a>



## College Readiness Student Opportunities



Teaching as a Profession is in search of more awesome students to join our program. See your counselor today! Why join?

- \* Learn more about becoming a teacher
- \* Opportunities for college credit
- \* Ability to be a peer tutor
- \* Teach UCPS Pathway- SPCC & Wingate
- \* Weekly school observations

Taking an AP class this year?
Scan the QR code to gain access
to various College Board
resources now!

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Scanning this link and following the steps on your AP Classroom Dashboard can qualify you to potentially win a \$500 or \$40,000 scholarship!





## College Readiness Student Opportunities



FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT \*\*
FOR HEALTHY LIVING
FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

## HELPING PEOPLE, CHANGING LIVES



#### CAMP BOOMERANG VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

We're looking for teens & adults 15 years and older who are interested in a life-changing opportunity to serve as a buddy in our Camp Boomerang program; an inclusion camp for children with diverse abilities at the Y's Hemby Program Center.

Volunteer for just one week or the entire summer, it's up to you!

MONDAY - FRIDAY

(9:00AM - 3:45PM or 9:00AM - 1:30PM)

-June 16-20

-June 23-27

-June 30-July 3

-July 14-18

-July 21-25

-July 28-August 1

To apply, e-mail: <u>bracefamilycampboomeranq@ymcacharlotte.orq</u>
Applications close on June 6, 2025



Hemby Program Center | 9760 Happy Valley Drive | Charlotte, NC 28270



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## College Readiness Student Opportunities



Saturday, May 31, 2025 • 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Atrium Health Musculoskeletal Institute Orthopedics & Sports Medicine 6050 W. Highway 74, Indian Trail, NC 28079



Each student-athlete will receive the following free services from our team of expert providers:

- · Review of medical history
- General wellness sports screening for North and South Carolina
- Electrocardiogram (ECG) This is a heart screening for sudden cardiac death to detect health risks before they become issues
- Echocardiogram (ECHO) to be scheduled if needed
- Orthopedic screening (musculoskeletal exam)
- · Vision exam
- · Registered Dietitian
- . Hands-Only CPR training

Please register using the link or QR code between March 1 and May 10:

REGISTER HERE



For registration questions, please email hocday@ atriumhealth.org

#### Atrium Health Musculoskeletal Institute

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.

Click here to LEARN MORE

or visit atriumhealth.org/heart-of-a-champion



## Parent Information

Parents, would you like a chance to be more involved with the students and teachers at PRHS? We are seeking parents willing to support the PTO's work, to donate items for teacher appreciation, PTO, and school events, and willing to volunteer at PTO or school events. Please email Amy Dieffenbach at <a href="mailto:amy\_dieffenbach@yahoo.com">amy\_dieffenbach@yahoo.com</a> or Alana White at <a href="mailto:alanahwhite@gmail.com">alanahwhite@gmail.com</a> 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!

Click the QR Code to get to the Venmo account or use the QR Code below



#### JOIN OR DONATE USING QR CODE

Follow the PTO
Instagram Page at
prhs pto





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@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 the Ad below to donate



Porter Ridge High School

#### **Sundae's For Seniors**

AW Alana White

PRHS & the PTO are making Sundae's for Seniors May 22, 11am-12pm. This event is for the seniors who turn in their scholarship information to Ms. Lawson. We would love to make this a fun time. Please review the available slots below and click on the button to sign up. Drop off donations (or Venmo) to the front office by May 19. Thank you!

VENMO: @PRHS PTO

Questions? Alanahwhite@gmail.com



Women's Soccer Varsity

PRHS Cheer is EXCITED to host Little Pirate **Cheer Camp this** summer!! Please click here to sign your Little Pirate up!! They will learn cheers, chants, dances, and participate in stunting. On the last day there will be a **Cheer Showcase to** show off all their new moves. Anyone ages 5 to 13 is eligible to attend. Please contact. **Coach Lawson with any** questions.

Jade.Cheron@ucps.k12.nc.us

#### Sport Coach Email Address

**Baseball Varsity** Tommy Small Thomas.Small@ucps.k12.nc.us Men's Golf David Scholl djscholl1@gmail.com Men's Lacrosse Jack Callahan callahanjack561@gmail.com Men's Tennis Tom McQueen tjmcqueen@earthlink.net Softball Kevin Allran kevin.allran@ucps.k12.nc.us Men's/ Women's Track and Field Meredith Forrest Meredith.Forrest@ucps.k12.nc.us Women's Lacrosse Deevo Tindall deevo@thebrandstoryteller.com

Jade Cheron

Sign Up now for the annual Golf Tournament to support the Porter Ridge Athletic Booster Club!



PORTER RIDGE ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB

2025 GOLF TOURNAMENT

MONDAY, JUNE 16, 2025



EAGLE CHASE GOLF CLUB
3215 BRANTLEY RD
MARSHVILLE NC 28103



#### CLICK ON THE AD FOR MORE INFO



2025-2026 Cross-Country/Track and Field Uniform Store is Open!

If you are a MS or HS runner and want to order your own competition top, order now!

Click on icon to see the store. These tops can be used for cross-country and track throughout your PR running career.

\*\*PRHS does NOT require any athlete to purchase a uniform top.









The last athletic signing will be May 19th at 4:00 in the Auditorium. Any senior needing to sign should email Coach Leath by Friday 5/16 with their name, school, and sport they are planning to play.

There will be an interest meeting for Girls Fall Rugby on Wednesday 5/28 in E208. No experience or prior knowledge needed or expected. See Mrs. Greer in E208 if you are unable to attend.

The girls soccer team lost to Hough in the first round of the state NCHSAA 4A Playoffs 2-0

The girls LAX team lost to Grimsley i the first round of the state NCHSAA 4A Playoffs 12-7

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PORTER RIDGE ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB

## **WE WANT YOU!**



- FUNDRAISING CHAIRPERSON
- EVENT COORDINATOR
- COMMUNICATIONS CHAIRPERSON
- WEBSITE COORDINATOR
- SOCIAL MEDIA
- COORDINATOR PHOTOGRAPHER

If you're looking for a great way to support our schools and have a few extra hours we could really use your help.



Contact prabcpres@gmail.com for more information.

# NEW PROTOCOLS FOR UCPS EVENTS

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

#### For fall 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 or at the mid-point of an event.
- After consulting with law enforcement and district leaders, UCPS will utilize body scanners at events. The use of body scanners will begin in the fall of 2024 at football games.





















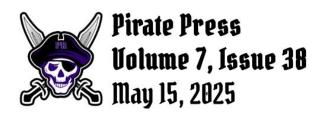












#### **Important Links**

**School Forms- CLICK HERE** 

<u>Visitor on Campus Information- CLICK</u> <u>HERE</u>

#### Click here for the PRHS Student Handbook

for the Tardy Policy, Dress Code, & Attendance Requirements

#### 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.

#### **School Nutrition Prices**

If you feel your family may qualify for free or reduced meals, UCPS encourages parents to complete the <u>meal application</u> (click here)

Click <a href="here">here</a> to set up an account to **make**<a href="mailto:payments">payments</a> 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

## Family Information

**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: <a href="CLICK HERE">CLICK HERE</a>

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.

Transportation Information- CLICK HERE

- → 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.



## New Attendance Procedures

## STEP BY STEP GUIDE TO UCPS PLEASE ABSENCE REPORT FORM



Create your account

Parent or guardian must create an account. The system will not accept submissions from student email accounts. PRHS will review accounts created to ensure that the email address used matches the parent email address in powerschool. For safety reasons if the email address does not match the known parent email, the account will be deleted. For reference, the school newsletter, the Pirate Press, is sent to the parent email address on file. You can also call the school to check on your email



#### Report Absences

Parent or guardian will submit all absences digitally via this Microsoft form.



#### Please Note:

- Must submit one day absence at a time.
- You cannot submit an absence before it occurs
- You must upload documentation necessary to excuse absences.
- Porter Ridge High School may only accept a maximum of 5 absences per semester excused with a parent note. After 5 days, only a doctor's note will be accepted.



#### Report absence:

Once your account has been created, use this link to log in and begin reporting absences.



#### Are there any questions?

For questions regarding attendance, please call the

@ 704-292-7662

#### SUIA PASO A PASO PARA INFORMAR LA AUSENCIA DEL ESTUDIANTE





La cuenta debe ser creada solo por el padre o la persona a cargo del estudiante. La escuela de PRHS va a revisar y verificar de que la cuenta corresponda al mismo correo electrónico que se tiene en el sistema de la escuela, por razones de seguridad.



#### Reporta la razón por la cual no se asistió a la escuela.

Los padres o la persona a cargo del estudiante debe de documentar la razón por la cual el estudiante no estuvo en la escuela. Esta documentación se hace de manera digital por via de Microsoft. En el mismo lugar donde usted creo su cuenta.



#### Para tener en cuenta:

- Solo puede reportar un solo día de ausencia. No puede reportar ausencias por adelantado.
- · Debe de adjuntar la documentación para la
- La escuela de Porter Ridge High School sólo acepta un máximo de 5 excusas escritas por los padres. Después de 5 excusas, sólo se aceptarán notas provenientes del doctor.



#### Reporte la razón por la que se falto:

Después de que creó su cuenta, usé este link que le da este QR code para reportar la ausencia.



#### Si todavía tiene preguntas?

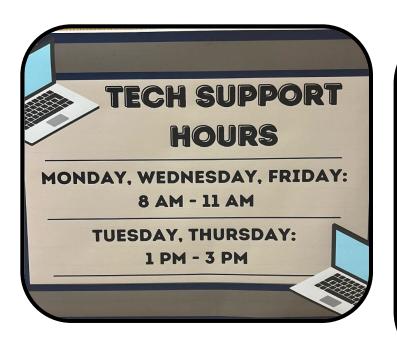
Por favor comuniquese con la escuela al número de teléfono que esta aquí abajo.

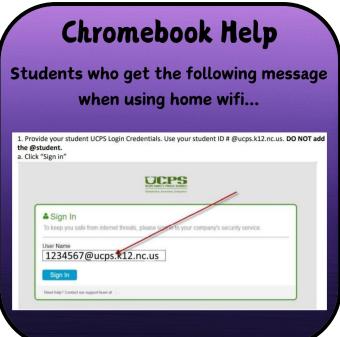


@ 704-292-7662



## Attendance, Chromebooks & Info





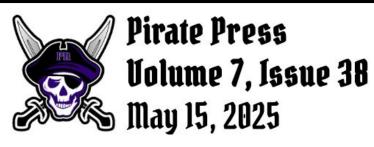
Please <u>Click HERE</u> to obtain, sign, and review school forms.

Click HERE for all school payments including past due fees and current technology fees.

#### Attend Today and Achieve Tomorrow

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

- Parents can provide notes for up to five days that a student is absent. After those days PRHS will require a doctor/medical note to excuse the absence.
- An absence will be recorded as unexcused until the note is submitted. Parent notes must be in within five days of the student's return to school.
- If a student misses 8 or more days of school in a semester, whether the absences are excused or unexcused, the student may fail the course due to attendance.



## **Ports of Information for Pirates:**

Follow us on Facebook: PorterRidgeHS.NC

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