



Cavalier Circular

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"Through rigorous academics, integrative technology, expressive arts, and competitive athletics, the mission of Cuthbertson High School is to empower all students to be leaders in a changing global community."

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We invite you to stay connected with CHS!

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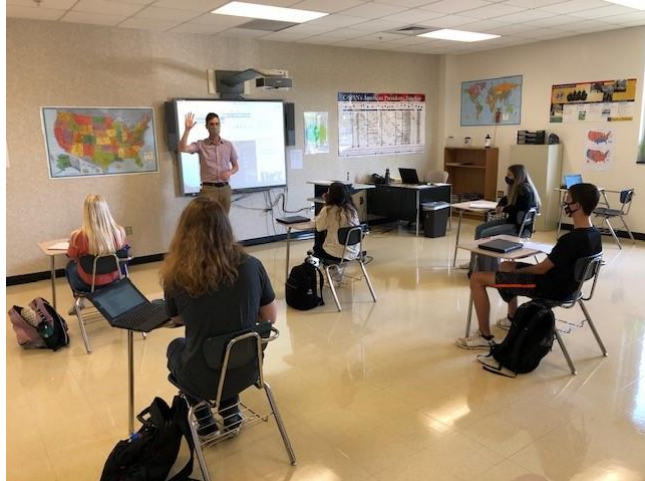
We send out our Enews on Sunday evenings via Blackboard Connect. If you don't receive it, update your contact information [here](#)! Enews editions are also sent out on our Twitter and Facebook and are collected [on this page](#).

What a GREAT first week we had with our awesome Cavaliers!

Students undergo screening for entrance, then practice social distancing on the way to class.



Classes may look a little different but are going strong!



In case you missed it! [Experience CHS Virtual Open House 2020!](#)

CHS Back to School Toolkit

Click [here](#) to access the CHS Back to School Toolkit packed with information on health and safety, schedules, meals, transportation and much more!

2020-2021 Calendar

Click [here](#) to see the 2020-2021 UCPS Calendars. CHS follows the calendar for traditional schools.

UCPS Reopening of Schools

UCPS maintains a webpage with information regarding the re-opening of schools. You may find it [here](#).

Contact Information

Don't miss CHS updates! If you are not receiving CHS email or phone calls please fill out [this form](#) to update your contact information.

Driving Eligibility Certificates

Please use [this link](#) to sign up for an appointment to pick up a Driving Eligibility Certificate:

CHS Weekly Face to Face Schedule – Plan B

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Students with last names beginning with A-D	Students with last names beginning with E-K	Students with last names beginning with L-Q	Students with last names beginning with R-Z	All students will participate in Virtual Learning

If we miss a day due to a holiday, teacher workday or inclement weather, the schedule will remain as listed above. We will not make up missed days unless directed to do so by UCPS. Example: Students scheduled to come on Mondays will miss school on Labor Day. This day will not be made up.

Bell Schedule for Fall 2020

Cav Period 8:10 - 8:40
1st Block 8:40 - 10:00
2nd Block 10:05 - 11:25
3rd Block 11:30 - 1:35

Students will be allowed time for restroom / hand washing before lunch

1st Lunch 11:35 - 11:55
2nd Lunch 12:00 - 12:20
3rd Lunch 12:25 - 12:45
4th Lunch 12:50 - 1:10
5th Lunch 1:15 - 1:35

4th Block 1:40 - 3:00

Car Rider/Student Driver Release 3:00... Bus Rider Release 3:05

Chromebook Care

These Chromebook Care videos offer great tips for keeping your UCPS-issued Chromebook in optimal condition:

[Chromebook Care Basics](#)

[UCPS Chromebook Care Video](#)

In addition, UCPS has created a page dedicated to troubleshooting tips and how-to documents for parents and students of newly issued devices. Find it [here](#)!

Digital Citizenship Module

All UCPS High School students are required to complete the Digital Citizen Module located in the center of the [UCPS Student Startup page](#) by September 30. Please ask your child if they have completed this important task!


EmpowerED Family Resources



Do you need additional assistance with Canvas? Our EmpowerED Family Portal has you covered! Logging into Canvas, creating Observer Accounts, navigating courses and more can be found in this one location. Take a look: <https://tinyurl.com/y5tn3wxk>

Become a Canvas Observer

#BackToTheU



Canvas Parent Readiness Series: What is a Canvas Observer?

The main use of the observer role is to link a parent to a student. Observers cannot submit work on behalf of the students they observe, but they can see student grades, assignments and calendar events.

The UCPS online learning management system, Canvas, offers parents the ability to be a Canvas Observer. Learn more about what Observers can do: <https://bit.ly/UCPScpr1>

Click for steps to become a Canvas Observer:
<https://bit.ly/UCPScpr2>

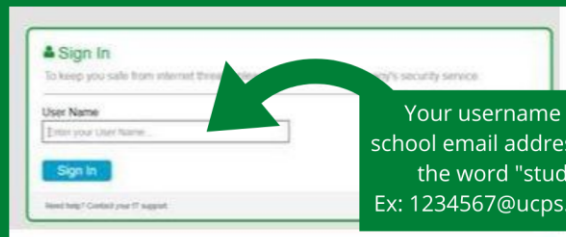
Tech Services Help Desk

If any student or staff member is experiencing a technical issue with a UCPS-issued device, help is available by accessing the help desk remotely available [at this link](#).

Many families report login issues when the students try to log in to their chromebooks from home. This is an easy fix! Please see the image to the right for help!

Having trouble with ZScaler Login?

Password is your school issued password.



Your username is your school email address without the word "student".
Ex: 1234567@ucps.k12.nc.us

UCPS Meals for Plan B & Plan D

New Meal Option for 2020-2021

**Monday – Friday
11 a.m. – noon**

UCPS will open regional meal sites during lunch to serve students who are learning virtually and/or on remote learning days.

Open to all enrolled students.
Lunch or student ID numbers are required.

Curbside Pickup Locations

- Cuthbertson High
- Forest Hills High
- Health Sciences Academy at Monroe Middle
- Parkwood Middle
- Porter Ridge Elementary
- Rock Rest Elementary
- Rocky River Elementary
- Sardis Elementary
- Shiloh Valley Primary

Meals will be served this school year. Financial assistance is available to families that may need help paying for school meals. To complete an online application visit lunchapplication.com. Read more about it [here](#).

Ebooks & Media Center Books!



During Plan B, students may browse our online Media Center catalog called “Destiny.” A link to Destiny is located on their Student Startup page. If they find a book (a real copy of the book – not an Ebook!) that they would like to check out, they can easily [place a hold for it within their own Destiny account](#).

Both Plan B and Plan D students may do this! Plan D students just need to place their hold, then email [Mrs. Tauffest](#) to arrange an outside pickup time!

For Plan B students, the book will be pulled for them, wrapped for sanitation, and left on a table for pickup located outside the MC doors. Students will not be allowed in to browse the shelves on their own due to Covid safety measures.

Don’t forget there are SO MANY sources of free Ebooks available to our students! Check out our Media Center web page for LOTS of great resources of Ebooks (books you can read on your chromebooks – or any computers!) Click here: <https://www.ucps.k12.nc.us/Page/3843>.

The Union County Public Library has more Ebook options - check them out with the link below – the login info is on the MC webpage listed above... <https://unioncounty.overdrive.com/>

Find even more Ebooks with Sora! Team UCPS students have access to thousands of Ebooks through Sora via Clever. Watch this short video to learn how to access <https://tinyurl.com/ya4phouz>!



CHS Chapter Chat

This reading incentive program has been created to encourage reading for pleasure, and to inspire book chats among readers and share ideas of great books to read. All students, whether Plan B or Plan D are all welcome to participate!

When they have read a book, they can self-enroll in the Canvas course using this link: <https://tinyurl.com/yy2evmuc>. Once enrolled all they have to do is click the arrow at the bottom to enter the book's title, author, and number of pages along with a short description of the book. Then they are free to read other students' entries and chat.

Any readers who read over 1000 cumulative pages during the semester will get their names printed on the Chapter Chat academic achievement board displayed in the Media Center and will receive souvenir reader pins! Contact [Mrs. Tautfest](#) with any questions.



Here Comes the Bus!

Have you tried using the Here Comes the Bus app? To download the app you will need your child's student ID number (this is their PowerSchool number) and last name. To learn more about the app and how to download this to your mobile device visit <https://tinyurl.com/yxenff85>.

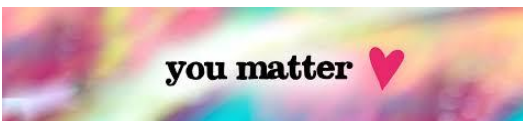


Calculators

TI-84 calculators are considered basic school supplies for high school students. They are used for all math classes as well as the SAT/ACT. TI-84 calculators can be purchased, new or used, from various vendors for a student to use throughout their educational career.

However, if a student has a financial need and needs to borrow one, our Media Center does have a small supply available for checkout. The new online process for this year is for parents to fill out [this Google Form](#) if they wish their student to borrow a calculator for the semester.

The Media Center staff will check the form daily, check out a calculator to the students listed, and hand-deliver it to the student in their Math class. The Calculators should be returned at the end of the semester after exams. More details are found in the Google form.



U Matter in UCPS!

The UCPS Tip Line and/or Say Something Anonymous Reporting System is available to help you or someone you know that may be in need to help. You can also give kudos or notes of encouragement through the UCPS Tip Line. Both of these options are [available here](#).

Important Message From Counselors to Senior Families re: SCOIR!



Scoir is READY!

Data is syncing and you can now activate your account!

Students - follow these steps to get started:

- 1** Check your UCPS email and look for an email from Scoir.
- 2** Set up your account. View the tutorial for how to do this at <http://bit.ly/activateScoir>.
- 3** Download the Scoir mobile app.

Visit the Getting Started with Scoir page on the UCPS College Readiness website.

Follow us on Twitter!
@UCPSCollegePrep

We hope you are looking forward to the Senior year of high school! We were hoping information regarding the new application and career readiness platform (SCOIR) would be rolled out after the first week of August.

Unfortunately, we were told by the district that this plan was delayed. However, you should have received an invitation to activate your account, along with a tutorial that includes step-by-step instructions.

The image to the left shows the flyer that was just distributed; it contains link information to the UCPS College Readiness page which contains numerous tutorials (for both parents and students) to help you get started with SCOIR and learn about the program's features and functionality.

Please do not request counselor or teacher recommendations in Common App, etc. You may enter your counselor or teacher's name, but do not enter their email address as your recommendations will be submitted through SCOIR.

[This video](#) provides helpful SCOIR student application and recommendation information.

As a reminder, official transcripts will not be available to send to colleges and universities until after the 10th day of the school year. This is to allow for the inclusion of all schedule changes, new enrollments and an accurate updated rank. We will announce when you may begin requesting official transcripts.

If you are in need of an unofficial transcript for application information, please reach out to Ms. McAleer at Agnes.McAleer@ucps.k12.nc.us.

High school families interested in learning about SCOIR can watch the following overview videos.

Student video: bit.ly/SCOIR4Ss

Parent video: bit.ly/SCOIR4Parents

PTSO NEWS

The CHS PTSO welcomes you!

JOIN THE PTSO!

Hello to all of our returning Cuthbertson High School families and a warm welcome to new families! The new school year has begun! While things may look a bit different, the CHS PTSO is poised to support our school as we always have. CHS PTSO Membership for the 2020-2021 school year is open. All are welcome! Your family membership fee of \$10 will help support valuable programs, scholarships, teacher and staff appreciation initiatives and other school needs. [Please click here to join us in supporting CHS!](#)

**Please join the CHS PTSO
and support
Cuthbertson High School
2020-2021**



Want to volunteer?

If you would like to be added to our volunteer list, please sign up on the link below. This is THE list that the PTSO uses for all volunteer requests, event notifications, and requests for food/drink/supplies for our various events! [Click here to be notified of volunteer opportunities throughout the year!](#)

If you are interested in getting more involved as a member of one of our committees, [click here for the list of choices!](#) Any questions or to join a committee please contact PTSO President, Allison Matthews at allisonbmattthews@yahoo.com.

Have You Invested in CHS?

Did you know the CHS PTSO is funded almost entirely from the donations of Cuthbertson Families? We don't ask you to buy wrapping paper, cookie dough, or another coupon book. Instead we encourage all families to "Invest in CHS" with a tax-deductible donation. The dollars raised are invested in teacher appreciation initiatives, special programs, specific school needs, and student scholarships. The PTSO is dedicated to supporting our teachers, students and CHS as a whole. Thank you for partnering with us as we endeavor to make a difference in our school and community. Please make your **INVEST** donation on line today via credit card or Paypal [here!](#)



**WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE FOLLOWING
FAMILIES FOR THEIR INVEST IN CHS
DONATIONS. IT IS GREATLY APPRECIATED!!!!**

Bryden, Johnson, Lopez, Matthews, Patel

Calling All Seniors!

Please purchase your senior package today! A Gold Level Package is \$105 and includes a yard sign, t-shirt, hoodie, car magnet, lanyard and 20-21 PTSO membership. A Blue Level Package is \$65 and includes a yard sign, t-shirt and 20-21 PTSO membership. The last date to purchase is September 10th! [Click here to purchase!](#)

Please remember to like our Facebook page to stay up to date on all Class of 2021 Senior Events!

<https://www.facebook.com/CuthbertsonParents2021/> #SeniorYearsHere

Spirit Wear

Ready to shed the pj's (or need some new ones)? Whether you and your family are learning from home or coming to school one day a week, spruce up your wardrobe and your "spirits" by purchasing a Cuthbertson spirit wear item. Now officially on sale! Plus, for every \$50 purchase you will receive a FREE Cuthbertson magnet! At home, contactless, porch drop offs or pick-ups available. [Click here to start ordering!](#)



Amazon Smile

You shop, Amazon gives! Through the AmazonSmile program Amazon will donate 0.5% of eligible purchases to your charity of choice. You simply use your already existing Amazon account to link it with AmazonSmile and then choose "Cuthbertson High School PTSO" as your charity. You pay the same prices as always but earn money back for us! [Click here to link up!](#) .

Stay Up to Date

Don't miss out on the news and happenings of the PTSO and CHS this year!

- 1) The CHS PTSO has our own website! You'll find information all about us, how to get involved and things to take action on. [Please visit and bookmark us here!](#)
- 2) The CHS PTSO is on Facebook! Please visit our page and "Like" us to stay informed on the latest updates. Click here: [Click here!](#)



2020 UCPS Secondary Databases & Extended Learning Resources for Students

Most of these paid resources are directly accessible through a UCPS provided device using the login information provided. Those using a personal device may need a unique username and/or password. To obtain password information or for additional help accessing and using these resources please contact your school library media coordinator.



Use **Sora** to access thousands of digital ebooks and audiobooks provided through the UCPS library, NCKids state library and local UCPL library. Login to Sora via Clever and access all these library materials with one login.

- How to access Sora through Clever and add libraries
<https://bit.ly/Sorahowto>



Destiny is the K-12 library management system for UCPS. It provides a visually appealing and highly graphic online searching experience where students can conduct a single search and have appropriate results (books, websites, database articles, DVDs, etc. returned in one list.)

- <http://destiny.ucps.k12.nc.us>
- Students should log in using their student ID # and password “student”
- How to use Destiny - <https://bit.ly/2F8U3PD>



Teaching Books is an online, multimedia collection of resources about K-12 books, authors and illustrators that help encourage students to read and enjoy reading.

- www.teachingbooks.net
- Home access is available using the following link.
- Submit the “request access” form linked below to receive the username and password to access this resource.



CultureGrams details 25 different aspects of every country recognized by the United Nations. Local experts document unique, intimate details of each country’s customs, traditions and daily life.

- <http://online.culturegrams.com>
- Submit the “request access” form linked below to receive the username and password to access this resource.



NC WiseOwl, funded by the NC Department of Public Instruction, provides free online resources for the public and charter schools in North Carolina.

- www.ncwiseowl.org
- Includes Britannica Online, Amazing Animals, and much more
- Submit the “request access” form linked below to receive the username and password to access this resource.



Discovery Education is an online resource, best known for video resources, but also includes images, clipart, sounds, encyclopedia articles, activities, writing prompts, lesson plans, curriculum correlation and more.

- Teachers and students login via NCEdcloud.



Union County Public Library

Use this link to access the following resources from the Union County Public library:

<http://www.unioncountync.gov/departments/library/students-teachers>.

- **Login to the following UCPL resources with student ID# as username and birth year as password.**



MANGO (accessed through UCPL above)

Language learning tool for 80 different languages and English as a second language for 50 non-English languages, including audio lessons, interactive textbooks, quizzes, phrasebooks and pronunciation analysis.



NC LIVE (accessed through UCPL above)

offers access to a core selection of digital content and services. Content formats include eBooks, audiobooks, films and videos, magazines, newspapers, and journals.



NoveList (accessed through UCPL above)

connects readers to their next book by making recommendations for what to read next. Covering both fiction and nonfiction titles for all ages, this database will suggest titles that are “just like” the one you love.

If students need passwords to access these resources from home, please email Mrs. Tautfest @ paula.tautfest@ucps.k12.nc.us. Paper copies may also be picked up in our Media Center.