

# Porter Ridge High School

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## ACT Method Test Prep for Juniors

**All 11<sup>th</sup> grade students will take the ACT college readiness test on February 28<sup>th</sup> at Porter Ridge High School.** Students can use these scores when applying to college. The test consists of a Writing section and 4 multiple sections in English, Math, Reading and Science. This test is required by the state and students who are absent will make it up at a later date.

To help students prepare for the ACT, PRHS has invested in the online ACT Method Test Prep program. Counselors met with juniors and taught them how to use the program. Through student email, they received instructions on creating an account. The website is: <https://app.methodtestprep.com/PorterRidgeHighSchool/signup>

Juniors may attend Saturday sessions for ACT Method Test Prep. The sessions will give students the time to work on the program with a facilitator available to answer questions. Please sign up so we know who will be attending each Saturday. Students may attend as many as many Saturday sessions as they like. Students should sign up at: <https://goo.gl/Rpqpxv>. All times are 9:00-11:00am on January 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>, February 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, and 25<sup>th</sup>.

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## Upcoming Events

### January 18<sup>th</sup>-24<sup>th</sup>

Final Exams 8:00-12:45

Period 1 Wed., Jan. 18<sup>th</sup>

Period 2 Thur., Jan. 19<sup>th</sup>

Period 3 Fri., Jan. 20<sup>th</sup>

Period 4 Mon. Jan. 23<sup>rd</sup>

Make Ups Tues., Jan. 24<sup>th</sup>

### February 16<sup>th</sup>

ASVAB given at PRHS. Students in grades 10-12 must sign up at

<http://goo.gl/forms/9HE6nu3WKgDVXNp42>

### February 28<sup>th</sup>

All 11<sup>th</sup> grade students will take the ACT at PRHS during the school day.

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## SENIORS!

**Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid at**

[www.FAFSA.ed.gov](http://www.FAFSA.ed.gov). Money is available for 2 year colleges, 4 year colleges and trade schools. Types of aid include grants, loans and work study funds. College deadlines vary. Priority is given to early applications. Do not wait until you are accepted to the college to fill out the FAFSA. List all the colleges you are applying to on the FAFSA and **Apply Now!**

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### Career and College Promise Program (CCP)

Juniors and seniors who meet GPA and other requirements are eligible to take college courses at South Piedmont Community College (SPCC) and earn college credit while still in high school. Offerings include College Transfer and Career Technical Pathways. Freshmen and sophomores may choose to take classes from the Career and Technical Education (CTE) pathways focusing on manufacturing, science, technology, engineering, mathematics, agriculture and transportation. For more information on requirements visit <http://www.spcc.edu/programs-and-courses/high-school-programs/>. Interested students should see their counselor.

### ASVAB – February 6<sup>th</sup> from 8:00-11:00am

Considering enlistment in the military after high school graduation? Interested in learning more about yourself, your potential career, and your potential college major?

**PLEASE take advantage of the ASVAB test** being offered here at Porter Ridge on Thursday, February 16. The military requires this test for enlistment. They use the results to determine your eligibility for the military and to decide what job(s) you will do once enlisted. If you are thinking about enlistment, this test is absolutely necessary.

Perhaps you are not thinking about the military but would like to learn more about yourself. The results of this test could tell you a lot about what types of jobs and or college major might be a good fit for you. If you are undecided about your post high school plans, the ASVAB could be very helpful.

Click here to sign up: <http://goo.gl/forms/9HE6nu3WKqDVXNp42>

### IB Program at Marvin Ridge High School

Current sophomores interested in the International Baccalaureate Program for next school year may apply from **January 26<sup>th</sup>** until **February 9<sup>th</sup>**. Attendance at the January 30<sup>th</sup> informational meeting at MRHS is required. If accepted, students must transfer to MRHS and provide their own transportation to school. The IB program is a rigorous program that focuses on learning and skill development, promotion of global mindedness and character development. Colleges recognize successful IB students as motivated, hard-working, academically capable, and college ready. Click here for application: <http://www.ucps.k12.nc.us/Page/5410>.



### Upcoming National Test Dates **ACT**

February 11<sup>th</sup>

April 11<sup>th</sup>

June 10<sup>th</sup>

Register at [ACT](#).

### **SAT**

January 21<sup>st</sup>

March 11<sup>th</sup>

May 6<sup>th</sup>

June 3<sup>rd</sup>

Register at [SAT](#).

### Scholarships

Seniors continue to check the scholarship [google doc](#) on the website and the canvas PRHS Counseling page.

**Please turn in all scholarship offers you receive even from colleges you do not plan to attend.**

The PRHS Counseling Department has joined Twitter. You are invited to follow us for announcements and other shared information [@PRHSCounseling](#).