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Reminder:

We will be exclusively using the new Student Absence Form designed to enhance our ability to accurately track and manage student attendance at the beginning of the 2nd Semester.

To use the form, you'll first have to create an account.

<https://ucpsapps.ucps.k12.nc.us/absence/index.php?val=high>

This initiative is part of our ongoing effort to ensure every student receives the support they need to succeed academically.

Remember to follow us on social media:

Follow us on Facebook: [ParkwoodHSNC](#)

Follow us on Twitter: [@ParkwoodHSNC](#)

Follow us on Instagram: [@ParkwoodHSNC](#)



We are so thankful for the amazing teachers at Parkwood High School! Be sure to celebrate your teachers this week!





PWHS Calendar

Monday 05/05	Tuesday 05/06	Wednesday 05/07	Thursday 05/08	Friday 05/09	Saturday 05/10
<p>AP Testing: Biology AM</p> <p>AP Testing: Euro PM</p> <p>4:30 Men's Volleyball vs. Ballantyne Ridge</p> <p>5:00 Women's Lacrosse @ Cuthbertson</p> <p>6:00 Women's Soccer @ J.M. Robinson</p> <p>7:00 Men's Lacrosse @ Cuthbertson</p>	<p>AP Testing: Human Geo</p> <p>AP Testing: US Gov</p> <p>4:30 Men's VB at PRHS</p> <p>6:00 Women's Soccer @ Forest Hills</p> <p>7:00 Men's Baseball vs. TBD (Playoffs)</p>	<p>AP Testing: English Lit and Comp</p> <p>5:00 Women's Lacrosse @ Weddington</p> <p>7:00 Men's Lacrosse @ Weddington</p>	<p>5:00 Women's Lacrosse @ Porter Ridge</p>	<p>AP Testing: US History</p> <p>Track & Field 3A Midwest Regionals</p> <p>5:30 Women's Lacrosse @ South Charlotte Thunder</p>	<p>Stunt Cheer vs AK/Palisades</p>

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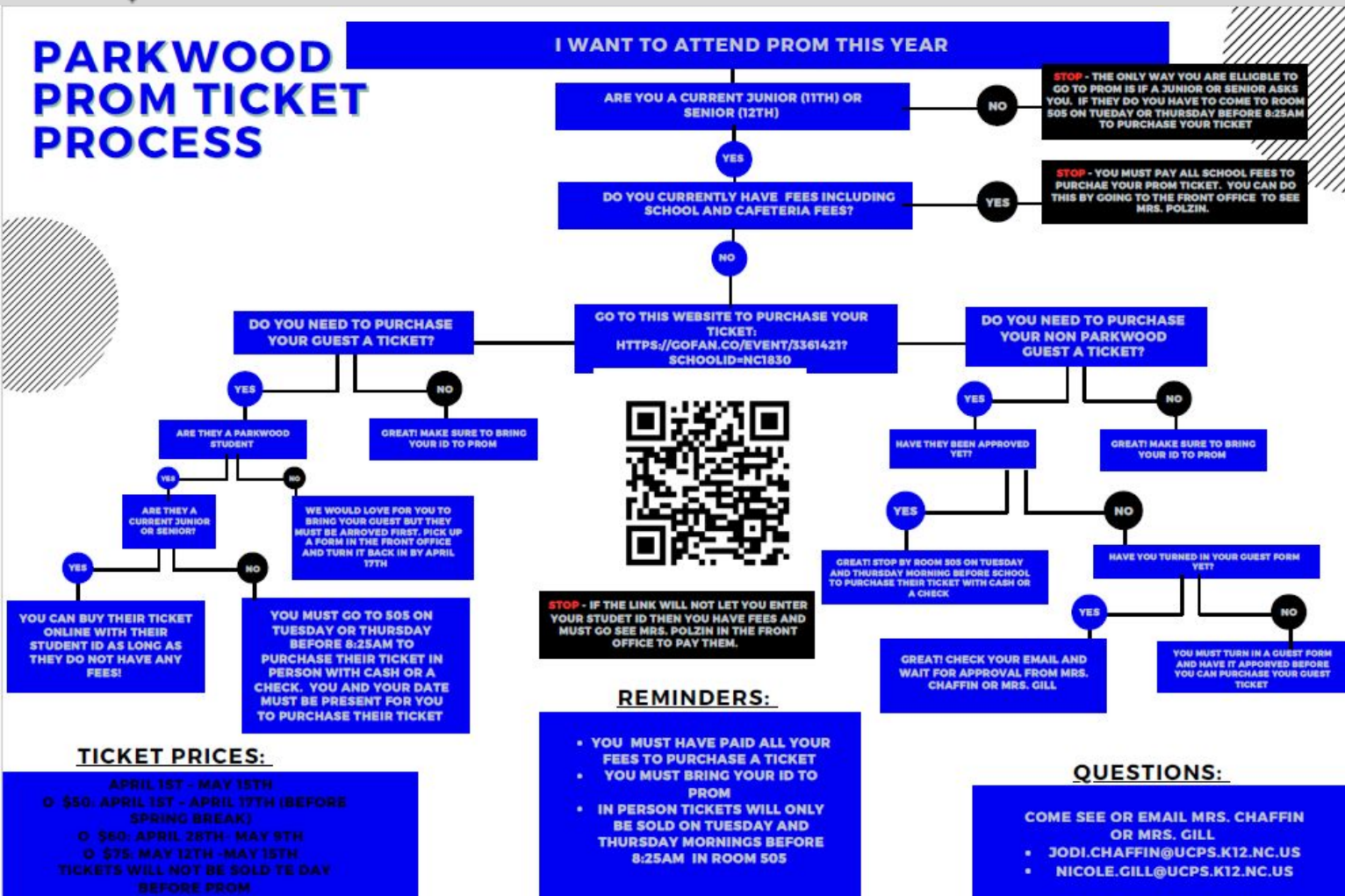
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Parkwood Prom Ticket Process

PARKWOOD PROM TICKET PROCESS



Prom is Saturday May 17th from 8pm-11pm

April 1st Start Selling Tickets at 8:00am (Online through Go Fan like Homecoming/Athletic tickets)

We will sell tickets for 6 weeks

April 1st – May 15th

- * \$50: April 1st – April 17th (Before Spring Break)
- * \$60: April 28th- May 9th
- * \$75: May 12th -May 15th

We will NOT sell tickets the day before Prom

MUST HAVE PAID ALL YOUR FEES TO PURCHASE A TICKET

The only tickets we will sell in person are for students who are bringing an Outside Parkwood Guest and Students who are bringing guests that are in 9th or 10th grade.

In order to purchase your outside guest ticket, they must have been approved.

In order to purchase a ticket for an underclassman both the 9th/10th grader and the date must be present.

To purchase a ticket in person you must go to room 505 with Mrs. Chaffin (cash or check) on Tuesday and Thursdays before 8:25am in 505, starting April 1st

Outside guest forms will be available on March 24th and be due back by April 17th before Spring Break.

NO tickets will be SOLD on May 16th

You MUST bring an ID to Prom



PTSO Information

The PWHS PTSO uses our monthly [newsletter](#) and social media as our primary sources of communication. **Please make sure you are following us on Facebook at [Parkwood HS PTSO](#) and on Instagram at [Parkwood PTSO](#) to stay up to date on all the latest events and information.**

GENERAL PTSO UPDATES:

- We will celebrate Teacher and Staff Appreciation this week (week of 5/5) and encourage you and/or your student(s) to let their teachers know how much you appreciate them – even a simple email or note letting them know you recognize their effort, patience and kindness goes a long way!
 - For our amazing teachers and staff, PTSO is providing a selection of treats on Monday and will close the week out with a catered lunch on Friday!
- Please join us for our May meeting on Wednesday, 5/7, at 6pm in the Student Center. We will be voting on the 25-26 Executive Board at this meeting. All are welcome!
 - The slate for the 25-26 Executive Board is:
 - President – Sumer Smith
 - Vice President – Trish Culley
 - Treasurer – Lauren Jenkins
 - Secretary – Stephanie Vill

If you have any questions about the PTSO, please feel free to send us an email at parkwoodptso@gmail.com. Thank you for supporting the Parkwood High School PTSO!

PWHS PTSO Executive Board



Class of 2025 Senior Week



SENIOR WEEK 2025

Monday, May 19 - Your Future is Bright!

Dress in **NEON** colors.

Show us how bright your future will be.

Tuesday, May 20 –

Future Plan Day...Dress Your Plan.



Military, Career, or College Gear

Academic Signing &
Awards at PWHS



Wednesday, May 21 Teacher – Senior SWAP DAY

Seniors dress as a teacher/administrator –

Teachers dress as a PW Senior



Thursday, May 22 – Dress for Success

Graduation Walk at Your Elementary School and

Parkwood Middle School



Last Luau Friday, May 23

2025 Seniors enjoy your "Last Luau"

Picnic on the Football Practice Field



SCHOOL DRESS CODE MUST APPLY EACH DAY
HAVE FUN WITHOUT BREAKING THE RULES!



Senior Awards & Academic Signing

Parkwood High Senior Awards & Academic Signing

Tuesday, May 20th at 9:00am in the Main Gym
Parents of seniors are invited to attend.

Seniors will sign for their post
high school plans. Seniors receiving
department awards will also be recognized.



Parkwood High School Graduation Information

Class of 2025 Graduation

Parkwood High School Stadium

June 10, 2025

8:00 AM

Information regarding specific details was sent to Senior parents/guardians and students.



Senior Information

Cap & Gown Information:



If you have not yet ordered, you still can at this link:

https://www.jostens.com/apps/store/catalogBrowse/1051536/PARKWOOD-HIGH-SCHOOL/Graduation/2677877773/CATALOG_REPOSITORY/ (scroll to bottom just to order cap & gown)

Scholarship Offers?

Seniors, turn in your scholarship offers by May 15th to join us for a sweet treat scholarship celebration on 5/16 during WIN block.



Turn in all offers - even the ones you are not accepting - at the link below or email to shawn.johnston@ucps.k12.nc.us: <https://bit.ly/PWHSScholarships25> (must be logged into school google account)

Community College & Trade Schools:



- Planning to attend a Community College or Trade School? Now is the time to get your application submitted. Click this link on how to apply:
https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Pzfhnkyi4uTBWcAXtvMFsQG_z6V0d0evoGDA_G19hik/edit?usp=sharing
- Students who need assistance should fill out this link and a counselor will assist you:
<https://bit.ly/PWCollegeAppAssistance2>



UCAEOP Scholarship



UNION COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF EDUCATIONAL OFFICE PROFESSIONALS (UCAEOP)

As part of the North Carolina Association of Educational Office Professionals, Inc., Union County Association of Educational Office Professionals will award one scholarship with the following criteria:

- \$500 Billy W. Stegall, Jr. Memorial Scholarship – Open to ALL UCPS seniors

Please see your HS Senior Class Guidance Counselor for an application and further details.

Direct questions to Melinda Rivers, Parkwood High School, at 704.296.0154, Ext. 3309 or email melinda.rivers@ucps.k12.nc.us.

All scholarship applications should be turned in by Friday, May 9 at 4pm to Melinda Rivers at Parkwood High School.



**Attention
2025 UCPS
Graduating
Seniors:**

**It's scholarship
application time!**

**See your HS
Guidance
Counselor for an
application
beginning Friday,
April 11.**

**Deadline for
submission of
application is
Friday, May 9.**

**Scholarship in the
amount of
\$500.00 will be
awarded**

**Don't delay,
apply today!**



Credit By Demonstrated Mastery

CREDIT BY DEMONSTRATED MASTERY



About CDM:

Credit by Demonstrated Mastery or CDM is a process that allows students to earn high school course credit by demonstrating command of course material/content without taking the actual course. Content for the CDM process is based on the North Carolina Standard Course of Study.

For More Information:

<https://www.ucps.k12.nc.us/Page/8332t>

Application Deadline-

Opens: May 1st

Closes: May 23rd



College Readiness Series



2024 - 2025 College Readiness Series

🐦 @UCPSCollegePrep

📷 ucpscollegeprep

What Makes A Good College Essay?

May 13, 2025

6 PM

Webinar

To register visit: <https://tinyurl.com/20250513>

Planning to apply to a school or a scholarship that requires an essay? Juniors should start thinking about their essay topic now.

Join us as we discuss the process from start to finish.





Louisiana Robinson Scholarship- Due 5/16

We invite you to apply to our

LOUISIANA ROBINSON SCHOLARSHIP



**SCAN
TO
APPLY**



NAACP
Union County Branch



Kieth and Serena Cockrell Scholarship

KIETH AND SERENA COCKRELL SCHOLARSHIP



UNCF

A mind is a terrible
thing to waste*

*Honoring the Legacy
Transforming our Future*

APPLICATION OPENS:

4/18/2025

APPLICATION DEADLINE:

5/30/2025



<https://opportunities.uncf.org>

For more information, please contact
Wayne Wilson II at wwilson@uncf.org.

UNCF.org

@UNCF



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SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY

**A RENEWABLE SCHOLARSHIP UP TO \$30,000
FOR FOUR YEARS (\$7,500 PER YEAR)**

- ✓ Are you a permanent resident of NC who at the time of the initial scholarship application is a high school senior graduating from a public, private, or charter school in the following North Carolina counties: Mecklenburg County, Union County or Cabarrus County?
- ✓ Do you possess a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale?
- ✓ Are you planning to attend any U.S. located, accredited, four-year college or university in the Fall 2025 semester?
- ✓ Have you filed your 2025-2026 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)?
- ✓ Do you have unmet need determined by your college or university's financial aid office?





FAFSA information for Seniors

SENIORS – Financial Aid For College

The 2025-2026 FAFSA - Free Application for Federal Student Aid is now open

Create your account at [StudentAid.gov](https://studentaid.gov) - takes 1 to 3 days to process account registration. If you have an account log in.

- Assists students with apply for community college, trade schools, and 4-year universities.
- Types of aid students may be eligible for:
 - Grants – free money, does not have to be paid back
 - Loans – borrowed money, must be paid back
 - Work Study – provides a job paid by the student aid program
- Apply in Senior year for 2025-2026 through <https://studentaid.gov/>.
- Parents who need assistance with FAFSA can sign up for virtual evening help at: <https://calendly.com/collegereadinessucps>
- CFNC FAFSA support: <https://www.cfnc.org/pay-for-college/fafsa-assistance/>
- Students who need assistance should fill out this link and a counselor will assist you: <https://bit.ly/PWCollegeAppAssistance25>

Have these documents on hand. Here are the main things students need to complete the FAFSA. (For a full list of items needed, [here's an easy, printable checklist](#)).

- Recommend parent & student are together when completing FAFSA form.
- Photo or copy of Social Security Card or Green Card (if applicable)
- 2023 Federal Tax Forms
- Personal email address

<https://www.cfnc.org/pay-for-college/apply-for-financial-aid/> is a great resource to assist with FAFSA.

If you have questions please reach out to your student's counselor.



Summer Internship Program Opportunity



READY TO LEARN & EARN?

Hey Students! DIG IN to our summer internship program and gain real-world experience while preparing for your future!

Your path to a
rewarding career,
STARTS HERE!





NC College Connect

✓ **NC College Connect**

THIS IS YOUR MOMENT!

With a weighted GPA of 2.8 or above, you're one step closer to college.

Your moment has arrived, and this is your opportunity to meet it head on. This simplified application process helps you avoid stressful applications and subjective essays.

Seniors—If you had a 2.8 weighted GPA at the end of your junior year, you're ready!

NC College Connect is a program that offers qualified students the opportunity for a simplified application process at select UNC System universities and their local North Carolina community college—as long as they meet state graduation requirements and UNC System course requirements.

Imagine what your college future could be like at...

- Elizabeth City State University
- Fayetteville State University
- University of North Carolina Asheville
- University of North Carolina at Greensboro
- University of North Carolina at Pembroke
- Winston-Salem State University
- Your local North Carolina community college



Visit NCCollegeConnect.org or scan the QR code to learn more about how to claim your spot.

Here's what you need to know.

1. If you have a weighted GPA of 2.8 or above, you have the opportunity for a simplified application process to the participating NC colleges and universities.
2. To claim your spot, you should scan the QR code on your letter (or the one below!) to visit NCCollegeConnect.org.
3. There you will find a "Claim Your Spot" button that will take you to the NC College Connect portal if you are already logged into your CFNC account. (Tip: If you are not logged in, you will be asked to log in using your CFNC credentials or create a new CFNC account.)
4. After logging in, you will see a list of colleges and universities where you can complete a simplified application for each institution.
5. Once you've submitted your simplified application(s), the college(s) will contact you with more information about next steps.
6. These simplified applications will have fees, possibly ranging from \$30 to \$75. Submit your simplified application during College Application Week (October 21–27, 2024) to avoid application fees for most participating institutions.

What are you waiting for?
Meet your momentum and explore your options at NCCollegeConnect.org.





Career and College Promise Information



**MEET WITH
YOUR SPCC
CAREER COACH**

MS. STURDIVANT

**MONDAYS AND THURSDAYS
IN
LIBRARY**

**EMAIL NOW TO MAKE AN
APPOINTMENT:**

CSTURDIVANT@SPCC.EDU



PWHS Counseling Department

The focus of the PWHS Counseling Center is to provide students with support in their academic, career, and personal/social development. The counselors assist students with scheduling, course selection, career exploration, college and scholarship advising, coping with peer pressure and stress, developing time management skills and more. To make an appointment with your counselor complete the [meeting request form](#), stop by the counseling center, email or call 704-296-0154.

Counseling Staff

- Mr. Troy Harris - 9th Grade
- Ms. Stacey Sebastian - 10th-12th (A-G)
- Mrs. Shari Davison - 10th-12th (H-N)
- Mr. Adrian Atkinson- 10th - 12th (O-Z)
- Ms. Ashlee Reynolds 9th-12th (Student Support)
- Mrs. Valerie Simmeth - Career Development Coordinator
- Mrs. Shawn Johnston – Counseling Center Administrative Assistant

Additional Support

- Mrs. Robyn Mobley – School Social Worker
- Ms. Emily Harrell - Mental Health Therapist





PWHS Counseling Department

Students! Sign up in SCOIR to visit with colleges

- Check in SCOIR to find out who is scheduled to visit our campus during the week and sign up to attend by the deadline to participate.
- Interested in playing sports in college?



Reach out to Mr. Harris! He can help you make sure you are on track. Use this [meeting request form](#).



Seniors College Information

- Now is the time to start the application process for colleges. Below are links to information on the steps to applying. If you need help with College Applications reach out to your counselor by using the [meeting request form](#). We are here to assist you.

[Steps for Applying to Four Year Colleges](#)

[Steps for Applying to Community Colleges](#)

Requesting Transcripts and Recommendations for College Applications

- Students use SCOIR (access from the UCPS student high school start up page) to keep track of their applications and request transcripts.
- This link <https://bit.ly/35jrLNu%C2%A0> will show you how to add colleges, request transcripts and letters of recommendations from teachers.



Parents & Guardians

With a new school year comes a need to make sure that we have the correct contact information for all our families. Please take a moment and verify in PowerSchool that the following are still correct:

- Contact Names
- Contact Numbers
- Contact Emails

Please contact melinda.rivers@ucps.k12.nc.us to update your information.

Keep in Mind- You will need to show your ID when coming to the school so please remember to bring it with you.



Quick Links

[PWHS Student Handbook](#)

[UCPS BOE Student Handbook](#)

(includes attendance and dress code information)

[Parents' Bill of Rights](#)

[Edulog](#) for Bus Transportation Zone

[Parking Pass Info](#)

- Student drivers: Students whose cars are on campus after the school day need to be mindful that they may need to move their cars - particularly if they park around the baseball field. This is to avoid damage caused by fly balls.

[See Something/Say Something Anonymous Reporting System](#)

Chromebook issues:

- New students report to media center to collect new computer
- Broken computers/computer issues, see Mr. Gaither between 12:00 - 4:00