



# PWHS Calendar

Monday 9/18	Tuesday 9/19	Wednesday 9/20	Thursday 9/21	Friday 9/22	Saturday 9/23
<p>Start With Hello Week</p> <p>Men's Soccer vs Porter Ridge 6:00</p> <p>Women's Golf @ Forest Hills (Eagle Chase) 3:30</p>	<p>Start With Hello Week</p> <p>US Army @ PWHS during all lunches</p> <p>Volleyball vs CATA 5:00/6:00</p> <p>Cross Country vs FH/Anson/Monroe (Cane Creek Park) 4:30</p> <p>Women's Tennis @ Forest Hills 6:00</p>	<p>Start With Hello Week</p> <p>US Marines @ PWHS during all lunches</p> <p>Women's Golf vs Cuthbertson (Stonebridge) 3:30</p> <p>Women's Tennis vs Queens Grant 4:00</p> <p>Men's Soccer vs Monroe 6:00</p>	<p>Start With Hello Week</p> <p>Queens University of Charlotte @ PWHS 9:30 AM (sign up to attend through SCOIR)</p> <p>Volleyball vs Forest Hills 5:00/6:00</p> <p>Women's Tennis @ CATA 4:00</p> <p>JV Football @ Eastern Randolph 6:00</p>	<p>Start With Hello Week</p> <p>Homecoming Spirit Day Theme: Neon Day</p> <p>Varsity Football vs Eastern Randolph 7:00</p>	<p>Cross Country Hare &amp; Hounds XC Invitational (McAlpine Park) 7:55 AM</p>

**Remember to follow us on social media:**

**Follow us on Facebook:** [ParkwoodHSNC](#)

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

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



# Start With Hello Week



- Have you ever been the new student?
- Have you ever sat all alone on the bus or in the cafeteria?

Loneliness is the overwhelming feeling of being left out and social isolation is not having frequent interactions with friends.

When we feel this way, we may pull away from society, struggle with learning and social development, or choose to hurt ourselves or others.

Due to COVID-19, all students can empathize with the feelings of isolation due to physical and social distancing.

What can we do? We can start with small acts of kindness:

- \*Invite someone to join you or your friends
- \*Share something you created
- \*Share something you enjoy
- \*Ask for someone's help
- \*Send a note or text to a classmate to encourage them

**Sometimes a simple, 'hello' is the most important word we will ever say.**

During lunch, try sitting with someone you do not know, or if you see someone sitting alone, ask him/her to join you. Also, come by the SAVE club's table to receive a random compliment and candy.



# New to Parkwood High?

**NEW TO PARKWOOD FROM OUT OF  
STATE/COUNTRY??  
WANT TO MAKE NEW FRIENDS??  
THEN JOIN US FOR A MEET & GREET**

**SIGN UP HERE!**



**must be logged into  
your Google account to  
sign up**

**Thursday September 21st  
8am-8:25am  
Media Center  
Free Donuts and Juice!**





# Free Practice for the SAT

**UCPS**  
UNION COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

## Free SAT Practice Tests and Prep

*Open to all UCPS high school students*

**Pretest and Posttest in person**  
**Online content in between**

### **PRETEST:**

September 23, 8 AM- 12 PM

### **POSTTEST:**

October 21, 8 AM - 12 PM

In person tests held at:  
Sun Valley High School

5211 Old Charlotte Highway  
Monroe, NC 28110

The registration form  
is set for only UCPS  
students to be able  
to complete it!  
Parents must ask  
their student to  
register themselves.



**Register by September 20:**

<https://bit.ly/23SATpracticerequest>







# Band Boosters BBQ



## Band Boosters BBQ

Place Your Pre-order now at:

<https://pwhs-band-boosters.square.site/bbq-fundraiser>



**\$11 / Plate**

Smoked BBQ Sandwich plate with Beans, Cole Slaw, and Sauce



**\$11 / Pound**

Smoked BBQ by the Pound.



**Pick Up Friday, September 29th**

Pickup Options at PWHS:

Lunchtime (11am – 2pm) or

Pre-Game Tailgate (4pm until we sell out)  
(PWHS vs Anson)

Provided by the Parkwood High School  
Band Boosters



# Parkwood PTSO Tailgate

**HOMECOMING  
TAILGATE**

**PARKWOOD  
PTSO**

**5:30 PM-  
KICKOFF**

*Friday, September 29th*

*Free Kids Zone*

*Goalpost throw*

*Cornhole*

*Raffle Basket  
\$5 per ticket or  
5 for \$20*

*Live DJ*

*Ladderball*

*Spirit Wear-  
special edition  
items available.*

*Facepainting*



*Located in the lot behind the scoreboard. Sign up  
for a tailgate spot with Coach Helms the week of the game if  
you'd like to grill. Email him at [michael.helms@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:michael.helms@ucps.k12.nc.us)  
PTSO will not be offering food at the event.*





# Homecoming Dance



Homecoming Dance is Saturday, September 30<sup>th</sup> in the new gym from 8pm-10pm. Tickets are \$10 (cash or check) and will be sold in room 505 from 9/18 to 9/29 before school only. Only Parkwood students can attend. No tickets will be sold at the door. See Mrs. Chaffin or Mrs. Gill for more information.



# DACA- TPS- Undocumented Scholarship Opportunity



¿BUSCAS UNA BECA UNIVERSITARIA PARA ESTUDIANTES INDOCUMENTADOS?

**DACA - TPS - INDOCUMENTADOS**

**APLICA AHORA**

FECHA LÍMITE: 1 DE OCTUBRE, 11:59PM EST

MATRÍCULA Y ALOJAMIENTO POR HASTA 4 AÑOS. ADEMÁS, MENTORÍA, APOYO PROFESIONAL, BECAS Y MÁS.



**GOLDEN DOOR  
SCHOLARS**

[goldendoorscholars.org/apply](http://goldendoorscholars.org/apply)



LOOKING FOR A COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP FOR UNDOCUMENTED STUDENTS?

**DACA - TPS - UNDOCUMENTED**

**APPLY NOW**

DEADLINE OCT 1, 11:59PM EST

TUITION AND ROOM & BOARD FOR UP TO 4 YEARS. PLUS MENTORSHIP, CAREER SUPPORT, FELLOWSHIPS, AND MORE.



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# SPCC Career and College Promise Program



Career & College Promise Program (CCP)-Dual Enrollment

CCP is a North Carolina dual enrollment program that allows students to take college courses **tuition-free** while enrolled in high school. Students are responsible for additional costs, like ebooks, supplies and online access codes. UCPS school districts provides a \$50 reimbursement per course (see link below). The program's design provides structured opportunities for high school students to earn college credits tuition-free that "lead to a certificate, diploma, or degree as well as provide entry-level jobs skills. Career and College Promise is designed to connect students to college

and career goals, whether they intend to transfer or go directly into the workforce after high school graduation.

Eligible students can choose between different pathways under CCP:

- **College Transfer Pathways (CTP):** **tuition-free** courses toward a number of transfer degrees, including the Associate in Arts and Associate in Science.
- **Career and Technical Education (CTE) Pathways:** **tuition-free** courses toward a certificate or diploma in Welding, Construction, IT, Health Sciences, Automotive. These include Workforce Continuing Education (WCE) courses that can lead to a state or industry-recognized credential.

Eligibility requirements vary between pathways but typically consider a student's grade level, unweighted GPA, or college readiness through an assessment.

Ms. Davis, is our SPCC Career Coach assigned to Parkwood students. She is on-site available to students on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays of each week during the school day. She is located in the Media Center (700 bldg.) and available during the lunch blocks for student access and can be reached @ [wdavis@spcc.edu](mailto:wdavis@spcc.edu) or 704-290-5876.

Mrs. Davison is our Counselor at Parkwood who works with students interested in taking college classes. Students can reach out to her through email [shari.davison@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:shari.davison@ucps.k12.nc.us) or the [counselor meeting request form](#) on how the program works with their high school classes.

Resources to Learn More about CCP:

<https://spcc.edu/wp-content/uploads/2022-2023-Career-and-College-Promise-Program-Guide-Update.pdf>

<https://www.ucps.k12.nc.us/domain/3715#:~:text=The%20Career%20and%20College%20Promise.of%20the%20tr,additional%20school%20day.>

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1JfVv9WTfsJtxAtvVJ4xSnFse7ZclwG7R/view?pli=1>

<https://www.dpi.nc.gov/students-families/enhanced-opportunities/advanced-learning-and-gifted-education/career-and-college-promise>

South Piedmont Community College is hosting information sessions on the Career & College Promise program for students interested in taking classes SPCC while in high school. Parents & students are encouraged to attend. Click here for more information on how to attend the sessions below:

<https://spcc.edu/areas-of-study/high-schools/>

**2023-2024 Virtual CCP Info Sessions –All info sessions begin at 6 PM.**

**Oct.10, 2023, Nov. 14, 2023, Dec. 12, 2023, Jan. 9, 2024, Feb. 13, 2024, March 12, 2024 and April 9, 2024**



# 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-M)
- \* Mrs. Terri Onley - 10th - 12th (N-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. Thais Yeon – Behavior Health Therapist
- \* Ms. Wendolyn Davis - SPCC Career Coach





# PWHS Counseling Department

## Students! Sign up in SCOIR to visit with colleges

- Check in SCOIR to who is scheduled to visit our campus during the week and sign up to attend by the deadline to participate.
- **In September:** Queens University of Charlotte, East Carolina University and University of North Carolina at Charlotte.

## Interested in playing sports in college?



Reach out to Mr. Harris who can help you make sure you are on track by using the [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](#)

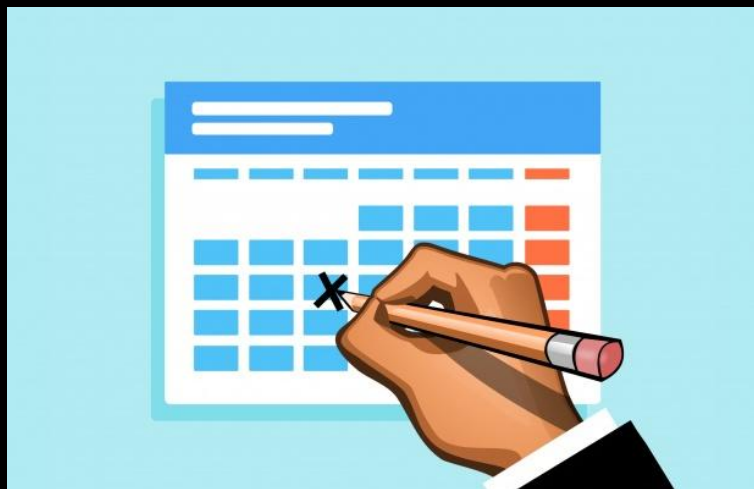
## Requesting Transcripts and Recommendations for College Applications

- 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.





# PWHS Counseling Department



## Union County College Fair

\*October 15 from 2-4 PM

\*Located at CATA

(600 Brewer Dr. Monroe 28112)

\*Representatives from over 100 colleges will answer questions and share information about their institution.

\*Sponsored by the CACRAO



## Where can you find scholarships?

**\*Wolf Pack Scholarship Opportunities** This list is put together by the counseling office and is updated regularly.

### **\*North Carolina Teaching Fellows Forgivable Loan**

Applicants must be a high school senior with a minimum unweighted 3.0 GPA. Be willing to teach in a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, or Mathematics) or special education licensure area in a North Carolina public school, traditional or charter. Must attend one of the 8 partner institutions. [Click here for more information](#)

### **\*Quest\*Bridge: National College Match:**

To apply, go to [www.questbridge.org](http://www.questbridge.org) The application is free!

Deadline to submit application, **September 26, 2023** (this includes 2 teacher recommendations)

### **\*NC State Centennial Scholars Program, Textile Pioneer Scholars, NCTF and NCTF Prestige Scholarships - College of Textiles:** [Click here for information](#)

DEADLINE TO [SUBMIT THE INTEREST FORM](#) AND [SENIOR BRAG SHEET IN SCOIR](#) TO BE CONSIDERED FOR SCHOOL ENDORSEMENT: **September 30, 2023**

Deadline for self-endorsement consideration: **December 1, 2023.**

Deadline to submit NC State Admission application: November 1, 2023.

### **\*Wendy's High School Heisman:**

Wendy's wants applications from both male and female student athletes who exhibit excellence in the classroom, on the playing field, and within their communities. Must be a senior.

Apply at [www.wendysheisman.com](http://www.wendysheisman.com): Deadline: **October 17, 2023 at 6:00pm ET**



# PWHS PTSO

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. Check out our [September newsletter](#) for details on upcoming events, volunteer opportunities and fundraisers.

## PWHS PTSO At a Glance

- Our September PTSO meeting was rescheduled! Join us on Tuesday, 9/19 at 7pm in the PWHS Cafeteria - all are welcome!  
Have you purchased your Class of 2024 Senior Package? If not, what are you waiting for?! Purchase a [Senior Package](#) and start celebrating your Senior today!
- **PTSO Homecoming Tailgate – join us on Friday, 9/29 @ 5:30pm to Kick-off!** Enjoy a free Kids Zone, Goalpost Throw, Face Painting, Cornhole and DJ. Stop by and say “Hi!” to the PTSO, purchase some SPECIAL EDITION Spirit Wear and don’t forget to grab a raffle ticket \$5/ticket or 5 tickets for \$20 – the winner of the raffle basket will be drawn at Halftime!
- Looking ahead to October:
  - Registration is OPEN for coaches, players and cheerleaders for Powderpuff Football on 10/10 (gametime TBD)! This event is open to all students in all grades but it is FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED - only 12 students/grade level team; registration will close early if spots fill prior to 9/25 cut-off!
    - Registration is \$25 and includes a powderpuff t-shirt
    - Practices held at 6:30pm – 8:30pm on 10/2, 10/3 and 10/9
    - If you’re not playing, come out and cheer on your grade – tickets sold at the gate for \$3 with a canned food donation or \$4 without! Concessions will be available for purchase at the game.

Help us help Parkwood High School! Join the PWHS PTSO by [purchasing a family membership for \\$10](#) your membership helps fund PTSO sponsored student and teacher events throughout the year

If you have any questions about the PTSO or are interested in a Committee Chair role, please feel free to send us an email at [parkwoodptso@gmail.com](mailto:parkwoodptso@gmail.com). Thank you for supporting the Parkwood High School PTSO! It’s going to be a great year!

## PWHS PTSO Executive Board

Kerri Lowery PWHS PTSO President

Kim Starnes PWHS PTSO Vice President

Brianne Tolani PWHS PTSO Treasurer

Adrienne Jaquith PWHS PTSO Secretary





# PWHS PTSO

## ***Adopt A Paw***

### **HELP US LEAD THE WAY**

For the 2023-2024 school year, your PWHS PTSO will be selling Paw Prints. Paw prints will be painted on the sidewalk to mark the path from the fence entrance of the stadium leading to the visitor side. Not only will you be leaving your mark on Parkwood, you'll be helping to guide the path for visitors to our school.

Paw prints can be ordered online for \$20 per paw or in person at any PTSO event throughout the school year.

<https://tinyurl.com/48wxsebj>

If you donate by 10/13, your name will be included on a banner to be hung when the walkway is complete.

For questions, email us at [parkwoodptso@gmail.com](mailto:parkwoodptso@gmail.com)







# Athletics



Don't miss out on the great things happening in our athletics department! Visit their website to view the latest news from games and events, see photos of our athletes in action, view live streams, purchase tickets and more! [Use this link to see how to access on your mobile device.](https://parkwoodathleticzone.com/partner/28/event/4178/buy-tickets)

Every student needs to purchase an All Sport Student Pass. Only \$40 for every single home game this year - all sports! (Playoff games excluded - and we plan to play in playoff games a lot this year :)

<https://parkwoodathleticzone.com/partner/28/event/4178/buy-tickets>

Passcode = UCPS Student ID number



# Student parking



Hang tags for students who have been assigned parking will be available to pick up from Ms. Gibbs in the office.

[Parking Pass Info](#)



# UCPS College Readiness



## 2023-2024 UCPS College Readiness Series

For more info and to register visit  
<https://bit.ly/collegereadysessions>

### Live Events

Scoir for Seniors - Aug.  
Practice SAT - Sept./Oct.  
ACT/SAT Blitz - Sept.  
College Entrance Exams 101 - Oct.  
Union County College Fair - Oct.  
HS Programs Expo - Dec.  
Paying for College - Dec.  
Practice ACT - Jan./Feb.  
ACT Blitz - Feb.  
Getting Ready for College - Mar.  
SAT Blitz - Apr.  
Writing a College Essay - May

### On-Demand Library

*Always available at the link above.*

Scoir for Underclassmen  
College Recruiting for Athletes  
Choosing the Right Path in HS



@UCPSCollegePrep



ucpscollegeready





# 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](mailto: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

Office Phone: 704-296-0154

## PWHS & UCPS Information

- [Counseling Department](#)
- [PWHS CTE](#)
- [UCPS Calendar](#)
- [Media Center](#)
- [Transportation Bus App \(New!\)](#)
- [Volunteer Information](#)
- [Annual Parent Notification Process/Policy 5-08](#)

## Instructional Support

- Student Technology Help Desk
- [Technology Tutorials for Parents and Students](#)
- [EmpowerEd Parent Portal](#)
  - [Mobile Apps, Attendance and Grades, Canvas Access and Tutorials](#)
  - [Tutorial Video](#)

## Back to School Forms

- [Free and Reduced Lunch Application](#) (If Applicable)
- [Military Connected](#) (If Applicable) \*
- [Notice of Right to Withhold Consent](#) (If Applicable) \*
- [Request for Medical Information](#) (Required) \*
- [Authorization to Carry Medicine](#) (If Applicable) \*

*\* Indicates physical copy. Please print, complete and return to homeroom teacher, if applicable. Physical copies are available in front office, upon request.*



# Quick Links

## [PWHS Student Handbook](#)

- Attendance Policy
- Student Dress Code

[Edulog](#) for Bus Transportation Zone

## [Parking Pass Info](#)

## [Yearbook Information](#)

## [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