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Dear Parkwood Wolf Pack Family,

This week marked the midway point of the first grading period of 2022-2023. PowerSchool's parent portal is a great way to stay informed about your student's academic progress. If you do not have access to parent portal, please give us a call at the school and we'll be glad to help you. If your student is having trouble in any classes, please encourage them to reach out to their teacher for additional support. Teachers are best positioned to know their student's challenges and how to address them.

Academic progress begins with being in school. In order for students to do their very best, they need to be in school every day. Please encourage your students to be present and on time every day in all of their classes. It makes HUGE difference!

Thank you for your partnership with Parkwood High School. We are so blessed to be in this wonderful community and love the opportunity to work together for the benefit of all of our students!

Looking forward to another wonderful Wolf Pack week!

Dr. Tracy Strickland, Principal

<u>Remember to follow us on social media:</u> Follow us on Facebook: <u>ParkwoodHSNC</u> Follow us on Twitter: <u>@ParkwoodHSNC</u> Follow us on Instagram: <u>@ParkwoodHSNC</u>



New Staff @ PWHS

WELCOME MAGGIE ABRAHAM TTA Assistant

I was born and raised on a little Island in New Jersey named Wildwood which is close to Atlantic City. Before moving to the Carolinas, I lived in Miami for 11yrs. I have 4 children who are all grown: three boys and one girl. I have two grandgirls and another grandbaby on the way. I'm coming from Buford High School in Lancaster, SC, where I served children for 9yrs as an Instructional Assistant. I love to read, craft and cook.



WELCOME MARISOL ARISTIZABAL ML Facilitator

This is my first year teaching. I was born in Mexico, but around the age of 13, my family and I moved to the USA. I graduated from Monroe High School but did not have the opportunity to attend college. I have a daughter who is 18 years old, and two dogs named Osa and Oreo. I love to read romance novels, watch tv shows with my daughter, visit museums, and take walks in the park. I especially enjoy conservatories to see all the beautiful flowers and butterflies!



WELCOME LEVI AYRES TTA Teacher

This is my first year teaching, and I am incredibly excited to be part of the EC department here. I grew up in a small town in Middle Tennessee where I grew up playing sports and being outdoors. I went to a small **Christian University called** Trevecca Nazarene University where I received my bachelor's in psychology and a minor in counseling. After graduation, I moved to North Carolina and married my wife. We have 2 beautiful daughters, an insane dog, a couple of goats, and cows. I enjoy spending my time outdoors with my family and friends.



WELCOME RJ CANTY TTA Assistant

Greetings, my name is Coach Canty. I was born and raised in Chester, SC, and I graduated from North Carolina A&T State University where I studied Broadcast & Journalism. I have been coaching football for 8 years on both the high school and collegiate levels. My wife and I are the proud parents of two daughters.





Important Information

Bell Schedule 2022-2023		UCPS students will no longer receive free breakfast and/or lunch for the 2022-23 school year.	
		Lunch and breakfast prices will be as follows:	
Breakfast	8:00-8:25	Breakfast \$1.75 per day	
		Lunch \$3.85 per day	
Block 1	8:30-10:05	If you feel your family may qualify for free or reduced meals, UCPS	
Block 2	10:10-11:45	encourages parents to complete the <u>meal</u> <u>application</u> before the start of the school year.	
Block 3	11:50-1:49	Breakfast and lunch account charges will begin on the first day of school,	
ANNOUNCEMENTS 11:50-11:53		which is August 29. If your application is approved, families may be eligible for the following benefits:	
1 st Lunch	11:53-12:19	- Free or reduced-priced breakfast and lunch meals	
2 nd Lunch	12:23-12:49	Click <u>here</u> for more	
3 rd Lunch	12:53-1:19	information on meal prices.	
4 th Lunch	1:23-1:49	Click <u>here</u> to set up an account to make payments and monitor your child's lunch account.	
Block 4	1:54-3:30	If you have questions or need a paper copy of the application, please contact School Nutrition at 704-296-3000	



Important Information

Advisory Bell Schedule (On Wednesdays) 2022-2023

Breakfast	8:00-8:25			
Block 1	8:30-9:55			
Advisory	10:00-10:25			
Block 2	10:30-11:55			
Block 3	12:00-1:59			
ANNOUNCEMENTS 12:00-12:04				
1 st Lunch	12:04-12:30			
2 nd Lunch	12:34-1:00			
3 rd Lunch	1:04-1:30			
4 th Lunch	1:34-2:00			
Block 4	2:05-3:30			





Mark your calendars:

Teacher Workdays (No school for students) September 26 and October 5

East Carolina University @ PWHS September 27

US Army @ PWHS September 27

Appalachian State University @ PWHS September 28

Union County College Fair October 16

College Application Week October 17 - 21

Miss Parkwood Pageant October 22

Prom May 6

Graduation June 13 at 8 AM in Wolf Pack Stadium



Athletics

Rocky Richar Athletic Director rocky.richar@ucps.k12.nc.us

PWHS Athletic Website

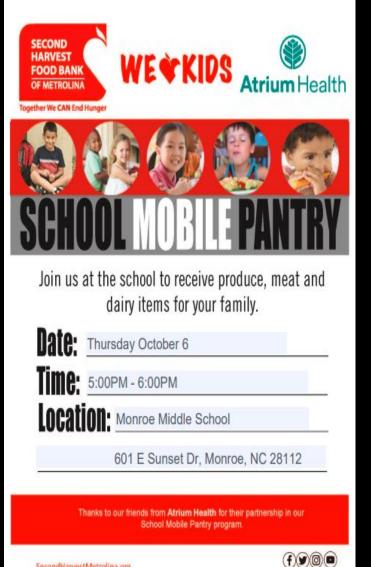
<u>All Sports Passes</u> on sale for students! Can be purchased on ticket site. \$50 to enter all in season home games for the year! The passcode is your student ID #. It is good for the purchase of 1icket.

Purchase Tickets Here: https://parkwoodathleticzone.com/event-tickets

Week of September 25 – October 1 Athletic Events

Monday 9/26	Tuesday 9/27	Wednesday 9/28	Thursday 9/29	Friday 9/30	Saturday 10/1
No Events	Cross Country Meet @ CATA 4 PM	Womens Tennis vs Forest Hills 4 PM	Womens Tennis vs West Stanly 4 PM	Varsity Football @ Forest Hills 7 PM	Cross Country Meet @ McAlpine
		Volleyball vs Anson High 4:30/5:30 PM	JV Football vs Forest Hills 6:30 PM		
			Volleyball @ CATA 4:30/5:30 PM		
			Mens Soccer @ Forest Hills 6 PM		







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Gracias a nuestros amigos de Atrium Health por su asociación en nuestra escuela del programa despensa móvil.



Entering Parkwood High School now that the Roundabout is open

- Parents dropping off their students will need to use the main Parkwood School Road entrance to the high school.
- All student drivers will need to enter campus from Crow Road and will need to display their 2022-2023 PWHS parking pass to be admitted at that entrance. All other drivers will need to use the entrance at Parkwood School Road.
- Students will need to be in their classes by 8:30 to begin their day.



 Remind your student(s) when they have parent permission to leave campus, they need to sign out near Ms. Reeder's desk at the front of the school.





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

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



Counseling

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.

Counseling Department Staff

Troy Harris - 9th Grade and 10th Grade last names A-F <u>troy.harris@ucps.k12.nc.us</u> Shari Davison - 10-12th Last names G-M & 12th A-F

shari.davison@ucps.k12.nc.us

Terri Onley - 10-12th Last names N-Z & 11th A-F terri.onley@ucps.k12.nc.us

Lisa Cauthen - Student Support Counselor lisa.cauthen@ucps.k12.nc.us

- Shawn Johnston Counseling Center Administrative Assistant shawn.johnston@ucps.k12.nc.us
- Valerie Simmeth Career Development Coordinator

valerie.simmeth@ucps.k12.nc.us

Kasey Boudreau- Counseling Intern

kasey.boudrea@ucps.k12.nc.us

Upcoming University Visits

We are bringing colleges, universities and trade schools to Parkwood to visit with you. You are allowed to sign up for 3 visits per semester and you must be passing the class that you will be missing to attend the information session. Please use Scoir to sign up for the visits you are interested in attending. This <u>Google Form</u> is updated when we have new opportunities for you so make sure you check it often. On the day of the visit, we will bring a hallway pass to your teacher for you to use to attend the session.



Counseling

Scholarship Information

Visit our <u>Wolf Pack Scholarship</u> page to see scholarship opportunities. We update this document frequently so visit this page to make sure you don't miss something that interests you.

This Week's Highlighted Scholarships

Park Scholarships at NC State University

Students are selected based on scholarship, leadership, service, and character. A complete description of each quality is available<u>here</u>. For more information, please visit: <u>http://park.ncsu.edu/</u>. Deadline to submit Park application: November 1, 2022

NC State Centennial Scholars Program, Textile Pioneer Scholars, NCTF and NCTF Prestige Scholarships - College of Textiles:

More information can be found <u>here</u>. Students must be nominated by their high school for this award, or self-nominate between October 1st and December 1st. DEADLINE TO SUBMIT THE <u>INTEREST FORM</u> AND <u>SENIOR</u> <u>BRAG SHEET IN SCOIR</u> TO BE CONSIDERED FOR SCHOOL ENDORSEMENT: <u>September 30, 2022</u>. Deadline for self-endorsement consideration: December 1, 2022. Deadline to submit NC State Admission application: November 1, 2022. Union County Christmas Parade Princess

Are you a senior interested in being nominated to be the Union County Christmas Parade Princess and be in the running to become awarded the Alex Kahle Memorial Scholarship? Complete the nominee inquiry form <u>https://forms.gle/ZGvDJjHBdnqTntmg7</u> by October 12, 2022.

John Montgomery Belk Scholarship-Davidson College

More information can be found at John M. Belk Scholarship | Davidson Deadline to submit interest form and senior brag sheet in SCOIR to be considered as the school nominee: November 15, 2022. Deadline for nominees to submit a completed admission application: December 15, 2022.



Counseling

Counseling Meeting Request form:

https://forms.gle/KD2NpkKz8g31xQxZ8 (must be logged into your school google account)

Students fill out the form to request a meeting with their school counselor



LAWA PRESENTS 2022-2023 HIGH SCHOOL WORKSHOPS

FREE bilingual information session for students and caregivers on how to prepare, plan, and pay for postsecondary education. Learn about college applications, financial aid, career paths, bachelor & associate degrees, trade and vocational program options, & campus tours.

PATHWAY EXPLORATION SESSIONS AND MORE! Free transportation from select sites Register at: lawa.news/HighSchool

Careers in Computer Science and Engineering Saturday, September 24, 2022 8:30 am - 1:00 pm University of North Carolina at Charlotte

> Financial Aid and **Admission Process** Saturday, October 8, 2022 8:30 am - 1:00 pm Queens University of Charlotte

Careers in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) Saturday, October 29, 2022 8:30 am - 1:00 pm Central Piedmont Community College

Topic: To Be Confimed Saturday, December 3, 2022 9 am - 1:00 pm Belmont Abbey College

Careers in Education Saturday, January 28, 2023 8:30 am - 1:00 pm University of North Carolina at Charlotte

9 am - 1:00 pm

Careers in Economics and Pre-Business Saturday, February 25, 2023 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Trade and Vocational Careers Saturday, March 4, 2023 8:30 am - 1:00 pm

The JCSU Experience Saturday, March 25, 2023 8:30 am - 1:00 pm Johnson C. Smith University



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South Piedmont Community College

School Counseling Support - Support is available for students for mental health concerns. Parents/guardians reach out to your students' school counselor who can assist with a referral to the school social worker or mental health therapist. Robyn Mobley - School Social Worker Thais Yeon - Mental Health Therapist Atrium Health School-Based Virtual Therapy

UNION COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS COLLEGE READINESS			
2022-2023 UCPS College Readiness Parent & Student Sessions			
Scoir for SeniorsAugust, 2022College Entrance Exams 101September, 2022Paying for CollegeOctober, 2022Finish the FAFSA On DemandOctober, 2022ACT/SAT BlitzOctober, 2022Union County College FairOctober, 2022Scoir for Underclassmen ParentsNovember, 2022Choosing the Right Path in HSDecember, 2022Getting Ready for CollegeJanuary, 2023College Recruiting for AthletesFebruary, 2023ACT BlitzApril, 2023SAT BlitzApril, 2023Paying for CollegeApril, 2023What Makes a Good College Essay.May, 2023Scoir for Juniors & ParentsMay, 2023			
For info and registration, visit <u>https://bit.ly/collegereadysessions</u> .			
UCPSCollegePrep OC ucpscollegeready			



College Application Questions? See your counselor at lunch in the Counseling Department or make an appointment to see them at a time other than lunch.

CACRAO Union County College Fair at CATA on Sunday, October 16th at 2pm Students of all grade levels are encouraged to attend.



Career & College Promise Program Interest for Spring 2023

If you are interested in taking classes at South Piedmont Community College in Spring 2023 please complete the following interest form: <u>https://forms.gle/qQovbnth4eGRWnZu6</u> by October 14th.

11th & 12th grade - Transfer Pathways & CTE Pathways - must have an unweighted GPA of 2.8

9th & 10th grade - Must meet certain requirements. May only enroll in the following CTE Pathways: Engineering, Industrial, Agriculture and Natural Resources, or Transportation Systems, Construction and Business Technologies programs that do not contain UGETC transferable courses



College Foundation of North Carolina is holding an inaugural <u>Virtual Career</u> <u>Fair: Trades & Apprenticeship</u> on October 4 from 3:30-5:00 PM. This career fair will focus on trades and apprenticeships that have a connection to the NC Community Colleges. Students are encouraged to register to attend at <u>https://cfnc.app.neoncrm.com/event.jsp?event=1&</u>





Parking Passes now available for SOPHOMORES to purchase!

- All student fees must be paid prior to purchasing a parking pass.
- Please refer to Quick Links page in this communication to complete the process to purchase a parking pass.



Back to School Toolkit

Office Phone: 704-296-0154

PWHS & UCPS Information

- <u>Counseling Department</u>
- <u>PWHS CTE</u>
- UCPS Calendar
- Media Center
- <u>School Calendar</u>
- <u>Transportation Bus App (New!)</u>
- Volunteer Information

Instructional Support

- <u>Student Technology Help Desk</u>
- Technology Tutorials for Parents and Students
- EmpowerEd Parent Portal
 - <u>Mobile Apps, Attendance and Grades, Canvas Access and</u> <u>Tutorials</u>
 - <u>Tutorial Video</u>

Back to School Forms

- Free and Reduced Lunch Application (If Applicable)
- Military Connected (If Applicable) *
- Notice of Right to Withhold Consent (If Applicable) *
- <u>Request for Medical Information</u> (Required) *
- <u>Authorization to Carry Medicine</u> (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

<u>PWHS Student Handbook</u>

- Attendance Policy
- Student Dress Code

Edulog for Bus Transportation Zone

<u>Parking Pass Info</u>

Yearbook Information

Chromebook issues:

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