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The school office will be closed for winter break
Monday, December 22, until students report back on
January 5

UNION COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Winter BREAK

Dec. 22-Jan. 2

Classes resume January 5 for schools on the traditional calendar.

PR CTE PR

BEGINNING TEACHER OF THE YEAR!

Congratulations, Mr. Ruggiero!!

**Friday
12/19**

*'Twas the
Night Before
Break
Wear dress code
appropriate
pyjamas*

*Hot Chocolate at
7-8am*

**Click here to donate for
snacks for teachers on
exam days!**

The Porter Ridge High School PTO would like to provide snacks to all the teachers during January finals. Please help us show our support for all they do for our kids! Drop off your donated snacks by January 5th, in the school office labeled PTO.
Thank you!

**Click here to donate or
help for the Faculty/Staff
Holiday Luncheon**

PRHS is providing a dinner for the staff on December 18th. Please see the sign up for water, drinks and/or a monetary donation to offset costs. Any help is greatly appreciated!!
Thank you!

Fall Exam Schedule- Click [HERE](#)

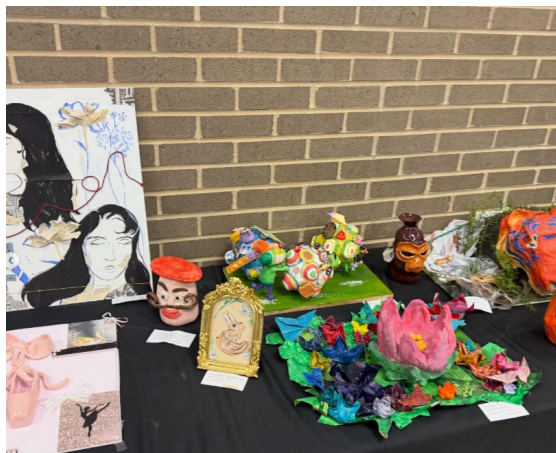
Time	DATE	EXAMS	BLOCK	
8:10-12:30	1/9-Friday	Math 1 EOC, Biology EOC, Teacher Made Exams, CTE Exams	1st Block Exams except for EOC Students	
1:00-3:05	1/9-Friday	Teacher Made Exams for students that missed due to EOC Exams	1st Block Teacher Made Exams for EOC Students	
8:10-12:30	1/12-Monday	English 2 EOC, Math 3 EOC, Teacher Made Exams, CTE Exams	2nd Block All Exams except for EOC Students	
1:00-3:05	1/12-Monday	Teacher Made Exams for students that missed due to EOC Exams	2nd Block Teacher Made Exams for EOC Students	
8:10-12:30	1/13-Tuesday	Math 1 EOC/Biology EOC Retesting, Teacher Made Exams CTE Exams	3rd Block All Exams except for EOC Retest Students	EOC Make Ups
1:00-3:05	1/13-Tuesday	Teacher Made Exams for students that missed due to EOC Retest Exams	3rd Block Teacher Made Exams for EOC Retest Students	EOC Make Ups
8:10-12:30	1/14-Wednesday	Math 3 EOC Retesting, Teacher Made Exams CTE Exams	4th Block All Exams except for EOC Retest Students	EOC Make Ups
1:00-3:05	1/14-Wednesday	Teacher Made Exams for students that missed due to EOC Retest Exams	4th Block Teacher Made Exams for EOC Retest Students	EOC Make Ups
8:10-12:30	1/15-Thursday	Retesting All EOC Exams, Make Ups All(EOC, Teacher Made, CTE)		All Make Ups
1:00-3:05	1/15-Thursday	Retesting All EOC Exams, Make Ups All(EOC, Teacher Made, CTE)		All Make Ups

- Math 1, Math 3, and Biology EOC exams and retests must be administered during the 5-day testing window.
- English 2 exam must be administered during the 5 day testing window but since scores will be delayed, retesting can happen 5 days after receiving scores which will be during the 1st week of the new semester and students will be notified/pulled accordingly.
- Teacher made exams are offered twice to accomodate for EOC testing and retesting.
- Some student have more than one EOC exam or an EOC and CTE state exam. EOC teachers will communicate to students to let them know and Ms. Starnes our CDC will communicate with students if overlapping EOC and CTE state exam.
- EOC exams and retesting have priority over any test if a student is taking an EOC exam.
- All EOC exams and EOC retesting will always take place during the morning sessions.
- PRHS will run 2 bus routes home (1:00 and 3:05 on 1/9, 1/12, 1/13, 1/14 and only 1 route home on 1/15 at 3:05 during the make up testing day).
- EOC students will be informed the day before retesting if they need to retest and some may already be aware before we call.
- **Retesting opt in letters were sent home and most students have turned the letter back to their EOC teachers. PRHS will make calls to parents of students that did not return the opt in letter.**

PORTRAITS OF PIRATES

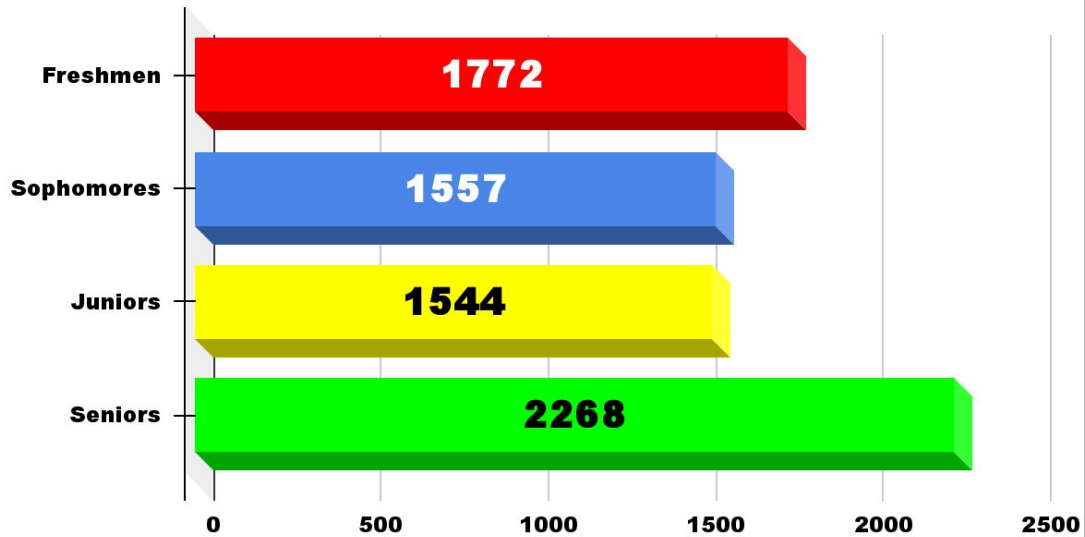


PORTRAITS OF PIRATES





Class Cup Points





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GIVE
THANKS
FOR HOW FAR THEY'VE COME

RESERVE YOUR SENIOR AD NOW
BEFORE SPOTS FILL UP

SWIPE LEFT FOR MORE DETAILS



PRICING

FULL PAGE	– \$300
½ PAGE	– \$175
¼ PAGE	– \$110
⅛ PAGE	– \$60

PURCHASE OPTIONS:

1. Head to yearbookforever.com to design and purchase your ad - payment options available
2. Email lea.schullery@ucps.k12.nc.us with the size of ad, message, and photos. Yearbook staff will design ad and work with you to create your desired ad. - payment options available

SHOW YOUR SENIOR YOUR THANKS & PURCHASE NOW!

Senior Yearbook Ads

MR. DELUCIA SAYS
SENIORS NEED TO
BUY THEIR SENIOR
YEARBOOK ADS-
CLICK HERE

The Yearbook Staff invites all PORTER RIDGE sports, organizations, and clubs to submit a

Group Senior Tribute



Choose your size

Half Page Tribute
up to 3 photos - \$175

Full Page Tribute
up to 5 photos - \$300



Share the cost

Ask a parent volunteer to take charge and gather the fees from each senior family. Simply divide the cost of the tribute by the number of seniors.



Take your photos

Choose what you'll wear for your photos and have a fun afternoon taking senior group pictures. (Ask a parent or friend to take the photos. Even a good phone camera is fine!)



Gather your photos, names, and message

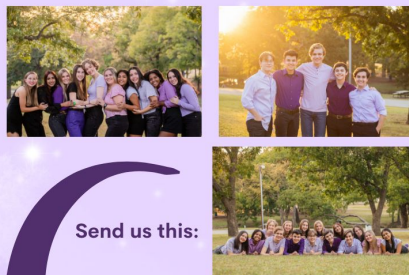
Ask your coach or director to write a short message, or include a congratulations from all the parents.



Upload everything at YearbookForever.com by Jan 5

We will design a beautiful tribute and send you a proof before we go to print.

Send us this:



We create this:



Choir Class of 2025

Questions? LEA.SCHULLERY@UCPS.K12.NC.US



Portfolio Requirements

9th Grade

- Complete Your About Me Page
- Create and Add Your Career Plan
- Set, Track, and Update Academic Goals each semester
- Upload Work Samples to Showcase your Accomplishments

Portfolio Requirements

10th Grade

- Every page should have something included by the end of the 10th grade year.
- Add any awards and certificates you have earned.
- Add your 9th grade transcript.
- Add your Pre-ACT score and reflect on areas of growth.
- Include any Leadership opportunities you had this year.

Portfolio Requirements

11th Grade

- You will present your completed portfolio by the end of the school year to your advisory or to a 9th or 10th grade advisory.
- Record how you have modeled the 7 Habits.
- Update Your Transcript. Reflect on areas of improvement.
- Keep updating your goals. They will most likely start changing, so when you meet one, it's okay to set another.
- Showcase any skills, certifications, or leadership opportunities that you have had this year.

Portfolio Requirements

12th Grade

- Share your portfolio with a personal Gmail, so that you can use it to showcase yourself and continue building your portfolio.
- Begin setting goals for life after high school.
 - Apply for college, workforce opportunities, or the military.
 - Gather recommendations from teachers and coaches.
 - Apply for scholarship opportunities.
- Create a To-Do Task List to help you prepare to graduate.

LeaderinMe®

JUNIOR PRESENTATIONS



Presentations: December 2025 - May 2026



You may present to your advisory class, to a 9th or 10th grade advisory, or in one of your classes if it is pre-arranged.



Don't wait until the last minute to complete this; if you are struggling, schedule time with your advisor for help.

WE ARE PR

WE GROW LEADERS

WE ARE A LEADER IN ME SCHOOL

- GOAL SETTING
- RESPONSIBILITY
- PROBLEM SOLVING
- TEAMWORK
- SERVICE TO OTHERS

LeaderinMe

**SERVE, LEAD,
 INSPIRE.
 BECOME AN
 ADVISORY
 LEADER!**



PRHS IS OFFERING A LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITY FOR OUR UPPERCLASSMEN TO SUPPORT UNDERCLASSMEN DURING ADVISORY AND ASSIST ADVISORY TEACHERS.

LEADERSHIP

SIGN UP NOW



PORTRAIT OF A GRADUATE



PIRATE GRAMS

- Lia Braxton is recognized by Ms. Shockley
- Sebastian Espinosa is recognized by Ms. Shockley
- Madden West is recognized by Ms. Shockley
- Hugh Elliott is recognized by Dr. Tarlton: I am so proud of all the hard work that you have put into this class. I am so excited to see how much you have grown personally and academically this semester. Remember: When your mind is set to do it, you do it well! Keep up the great work! I'm always here if you need anything at all.
- Thomas Higueta Gomez is recognized by Dr. Tarlton: You put so much time and effort into everything you do! This hasn't gone unnoticed! Always strive for the best! I believe in you and I am so proud of you!
- Nellie Buckner is recognized by Dr. Tarlton: Your kind and caring spirit can make even the worst days seem like the best. Your positive energy is contagious and I want you to know how proud of you I am. You will reach every goal that you set for yourself. You matter!



PIRATE GRAMS

- Emely Gonzalez is recognised by Ms. McCollum: Your light is something special. Don't give up on yourself. The future is waiting for you and it's full of possibilities.
- Tyler Shoemaker is recognized by Ms. McCollum: Your increased focus, organization and diligence have really stood out. It's clear that you're putting in the effort. Keep up this positive momentum to finish out the semester.
- Allie Porter is recognized by Ms. McCollum: Thank you for your courage and energy in reading aloud in class. Your voice brought the drama of Othello to life in a powerful way. Your confidence and effort truly made a difference. Keep sharing your voice.
- Sydney Rowens is recognized by Mr. Casimiro: Thank you for showing kindness and respect in our class. Great one!
- Marissa Neddo is recognized by Mr. Casimiro: Thank you for being such attentive and considerate in my class.
- Isabelle Raper is recognized by Mr. Casimiro: Thank you for being one of the kindest students in my class. Continue to stay focused.

PORTRAIT OF A GRADUATE



PIRATE GRAMS

- Joshua Lopez Romero is recognized by Antonio Ylerverton: Joshua works extremely hard, always participates and has an A average in math.
- Katie Lemmond is recognized by Mr. Ylerverton: Katie is a great student. She is very polite and always on task.
- Miron Kostenko is recognized by Mr. Ylerverton: Miron is a joy to have in class. He works hard and is very polite.
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Class of 2025 AP Capstone Diploma and Certificate students!

Welcome back PRHS today. We are proud of you! We honored these students today and helped promote this program! AP Capstone is a diploma program with two year long courses: AP Seminar and AP Research. Students develop research, analysis, evidence-based argument, collaboration, writing, and presenting skills. See your counselor if you are interested in this program for details! Ms. Stegall and Mr. Boyles were the teachers for this course in 2025



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Who is your counselor?

Ashley Lawson- last names A-Cou
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Alexandra Green- last names Sap-Z
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The counselors are here to support you with school. You can set up a meeting to speak to your counselor about academic, career, college, post high school plans or personal needs. If you have any questions please feel free to send your counselor an email.

PRHS COUNSELING NEWS



Career Plans

Beginning in the 2024-2025 school year, NC Senate Bill 193 requires that all students in grades 6-12 have a career plan. A student's initial career plan will be created by the end of their 6th grade year and then revised annually through 12th grade. UCPS will utilize Major Clarity as the platform for students to create their career plan. This can be accessed by students through Clever. Parents are encouraged to review their student's career plan with them each year.

Required components of a Career Development Plan (CDP):
Update to date Career Assessment
Update to date Learning Assessment
Pathway Selection
Academic Course Planning
Other items that may be included:
Resume, FAFSA Completion,
Post Secondary Plans,
Add activities, awards, credentials and test scores

Through assessments, academic planning, and exploration of careers and postsecondary options, students will develop a deeper understanding of their interests, skills, and strengths.

Porter Ridge High School is committed to guiding students through this process and will collaborate with them during Advisory and other meetings to ensure every student achieves full completion.

Looking for scholarships from 2- and 4-year schools across the Carolinas? Find them all in one place!

SCAN HERE

FOR SCHOLARSHIP
RESOURCES



Monroe-Union Breakfast Rotary Club Scholarship Now Open

Service-Based
Scholarship
Application & Essay Due
January 9th

Find the application on
the PRHS Scholarship Document

Questions? Reach out to Ms.
Jarrett

2025 Professional Access & Equity Co-Chairs



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PRHS COUNSELING NEWS

Porter Ridge High Class Schedules

Schedule Correction Google
Form for 2nd Semester will go
LIVE
Tuesday, January 6th

Schedule Corrections Info

The Schedule Correction
Google Form will open Tuesday,
January 6th, 2026! Click [HERE](#)
for the link!

Please make sure that you
check your schedule in Infinite
Campus and fill out the
Schedule Correction Google
Form if needed.

The Schedule Correction Google Form will open on Tuesday, January 6th at 8:30 am.

The Schedule Correction Google Form will close on Monday, January 26th at 3:00 pm.

All corrections must be requested on the same submission. Only one request will be allowed.

A counselor will email you as we are able to process your request at your UCPS school email whether a correction can or cannot be made to your schedule.

Requests will only be considered for the following:

- Senior is missing a required class for graduation or for college admissions
- Student has not met or is missing a prerequisite for a course for which they are enrolled
- Student is taking a course that he/she has passed
- Student is missing a required core course (English, Math, Science, Social Studies) in their schedule
- Student has the same course listed twice on the schedule



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UCPS College
Readiness
Website Click
 here for UCPS
 initiatives



North Carolina Teaching Fellows helps future teachers pay for their teaching program. As a Teaching Fellow, you'll receive up to \$10,000 a year in forgivable student loans. That means you don't have to pay them back!

If you're committed to teaching special education, elementary education K-6 or STEM (that's science, technology, engineering and math classes) you could be eligible!

The North Carolina Teaching Fellows program believes in recruiting, supporting and equipping future teachers to make a difference in North Carolina schools.

BENEFITS

- ✓ Receive up to \$5000 per semester through a forgivable loan
- ✓ Benefit from unique enrichment experiences
- ✓ Build a professional portfolio that sets you apart
- ✓ Opportunity to be supported by the New Teacher Support program
- ✓ Join the ranks of a strong program alumni network



NCTFapplication

Register now for a virtual information
 session January 12th 6:00-7:00 PM at
tinyurl.com/CharlotteTFinfo

FOR MORE INFORMATION
elisabeth.wilson@charlotte.edu

PRHS COUNSELING NEWS



\$10,000
EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP

The Johnston Ziegler Safrit Youth Leadership Scholarship is now accepting applicants who exemplify leadership, advocacy, and service in the community!

Apply with QR code:



ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS
OCTOBER 1ST - DECEMBER 1ST

REQUIREMENTS

- ✓ Be a local high school senior
- ✓ Show leadership, advocacy, and service
- ✓ Submit a short essay
- ✓ Submit 3 references

www.TeenHealthConnection.org
TeenHealthConnection@TeenHealthConnection.org

ARE YOU TAKING SPRING SPCC CLASSES?

All students under 18 **MUST** complete the Leon's Law Student Acknowledgement Form **BEFORE** they can register for classes.

Leon's Law Student Acknowledgement Form



Effective July 1, 2025, Leon's Law is a North Carolina state law (Session Law 2025-46) that changes how education records are handled for students who are under 18 and enrolled in college courses. Under this law, parents/guardians of minor students who are claimed as dependents on the most recent federal tax return may request access to certain education records. This law works alongside FERPA (Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act), the federal privacy law that protects student education records.



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PRHS CTE NEWS



CTE NEWS

December 2025

Spotlight Program Area: Business, Finance, & Marketing



Teacher Feature:

Ms. Brown - Marketing Education Teacher

Ms. Brown has been teaching for six years, and one of the things she loves most about PRHS is the strong family environment it creates for both students and staff.

Outside of the classroom, she enjoys coaching basketball and staying involved in school activities. In her free time, one of her favorite things to do is golf, which helps her unwind and stay active.



Teacher Feature:

Ms. Ellis - Business Education Teacher

Ms. Ellis has been teaching at PRHS since 2006, and both of her children have graduated as "Porter Ridge Pirates"!

She loves the student participation in events such as Fall Fest, Winter Wonderland, the spring blood drive, and dress-out spirit days, in support of PRHS, which demonstrates a collective sense of pride and enthusiasm for our school.

Activities outside of school that Ms. Ellis enjoys are working in her yard, playing with her dogs Josie and Jackson, and of course spending time with family.

TIPS

Career Readiness Tip

Build practical experience and skills

- Seek hands-on learning: Get involved in work-based learning opportunities, including internships, co-op placements, apprenticeships, or clinicals.
- Develop essential skills: Focus on critical thinking, problem-solving, and data literacy through your coursework.
- Practice professional communication: Draft cover letters, update your LinkedIn profile, and write thank-you notes after interviews.



Why should I see my Career Development Coordinator (CDC)?

For job search and skill development

- Resume and interview prep: Get help with updating your resume and practicing for interviews, including mock interviews.
- Job search strategies: Develop strategies for finding and applying for jobs.
- Networking: Connect with professionals, recruiters, and potential employers.
- Find opportunities: Access information about job fairs, externships, internships, and other employment events.

COMING SOON

- Good luck to all who are taking Certification Tests in the coming weeks!
- UCPS High School Program Expo: December 6th

Your Future Starts NOW with CTE!

Got questions? Contact Mrs. Starnes, Career Development Coordinator
amanda.starnes@ucps.k12.nc.us or stop by the front office!

PIRATE ATHLETICS



PORTER RIDGE HIGH SCHOOL WEEKLY SCHEDULE

December 14th–December 20th



14

SUNDAY

NO EVENTS

15

MONDAY

NO EVENTS

16

TUESDAY

BASKETBALL vs
Charlotte Catholic
JV Boys 4:30pm
V Girls 6:00pm
V Boys 7:30pm

INDOOR TRACK @
Piedmont
4:00pm

17

WEDNESDAY

BASKETBALL vs
East Meck
JV Boys 4:30pm
V Girls 6:00pm
V Boys 7:30pm

18

THURSDAY

SWIM @
Swim Mac
12:00pm

WRESTLING
(SENIOR NIGHT)
vs CATA
6:00pm

19

FRIDAY

BASKETBALL @
Piedmont
JV Boys 4:30pm
V Girls 6:00pm
V Boys 7:30pm

WRESTLING @
Mallard Creek
Tournament
5:00pm

20

SATURDAY

INDOOR TRACK @
Metrolina
9:30am

WRESTLING @
Mallard Creek
Tournament
9:00am



PORTER RIDGE HIGH SCHOOL WEEKLY SCHEDULE

December 21st–December 27th



21

SUNDAY

NO EVENTS

22

MONDAY

NO EVENTS

23

TUESDAY

NO EVENTS

24

WEDNESDAY

NO EVENTS

25

THURSDAY

NO EVENTS

26

FRIDAY

NO EVENTS

27

SATURDAY

WRESTLING Duals @
West Stanly

BOYS
V BASKETBALL
Ardrey Kell
Tournament



PIRATE ATHLETICS



PORTER RIDGE HIGH SCHOOL WEEKLY SCHEDULE

December 28th–January 3rd



28

SUNDAY

NO EVENTS

29

MONDAY

GIRLS
V BASKETBALL
Wilmington
Tournament

BOYS
V BASKETBALL
Ardrey Kell
Tournament

30

TUESDAY

GIRLS
V BASKETBALL
Wilmington
Tournament

BOYS
V BASKETBALL
Ardrey Kell
Tournament

31

WEDNESDAY

NO EVENTS

1

THURSDAY

NO EVENTS

2

FRIDAY

NO EVENTS

3

SATURDAY

PIRATE WRESTLING
DUALS
TOURNAMENT
9:00am

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PORTER RIDGE HIGH SCHOOL WEEKLY SCHEDULE

January 4th–January 10th



4

SUNDAY

NO EVENTS

5

MONDAY

NO EVENTS

6

TUESDAY

SWIM @
Swim Mac
12:00pm

BASKETBALL @
Marvin Ridge
JV Boys 4:30pm
V Girls 6:00pm
V Boys 7:30pm

7

WEDNESDAY

WRESTLING DUALS
vs Weddington &
Piedmont
6:00pm

8

THURSDAY

NO EVENTS

9

FRIDAY

BASKETBALL @
Weddington
JV Boys 4:30pm
V Girls 6:00pm
V Boys 7:30pm

10

SATURDAY

WRESTLING @
Piedmont
9:00am

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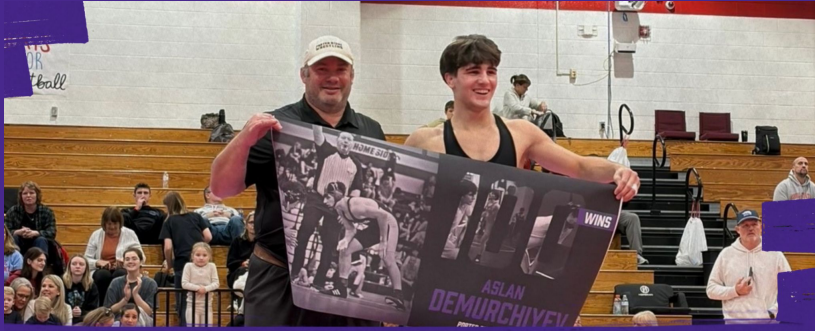
PIRATE ATHLETICS SCORES

JV Boys Basketball	12/12	loss to Cuthbertson (54-57)
	12/16	Charlotte Catholic
	12/17	East Mecklenburg
V Boys Basketball	12/12	loss to Cuthbertson (41-69)
	12/16	Charlotte Catholic
	12/17	East Mecklenburg
V Girls Basketball	12/12	WIN vs Cuthbertson (60-46)
	12/16	Charlotte Catholic
	12/17	East Mecklenburg
Wrestling	12/10	WIN vs Ardrey Kell (66-10)
		WIN vs Rocky River (65-6)
		WIN vs South Meck (62-10)

Senior Wrestlers on Senior Night!



PIRATE ATHLETICS



**CONGRATULATIONS
ASLAN DEMURCHIEV
100 CAREER WINS**

**150LBS WEIGHT CLASS
12*13*25**



UNION COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

! NEW PROTOCOLS FOR UCPS EVENTS

UCPS has experienced a number of safety incidents at athletic events around the county.

For fall sports, UCPS will implement the following protocols.

- Only clear bags, no larger than 4.5" x 6.5" will be allowed in events/games. Medical and baby bags are subject to search.
- Middle and elementary students must be accompanied by an adult (21 years or older) to attend events and games.
- All ticket sales will end at the beginning of halftime or at the mid-point of an event.
- After consulting with law enforcement and district leaders, UCPS will utilize body scanners at events. The use of body scanners will begin in the fall of 2024 at football games.

Logos for various sports teams and organizations are displayed at the bottom.

PORTER RIDGE ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
PLEASE SIGN UP**

**NO
EXPERIENCE
REQUIRED
MUST BE 16
AND OVER**



PIRATE ATHLETICS

**PORTER RIDGE ATHLETIC
BOOSTER CLUB**

**SPONSORSHIP
PACKAGES**

BRONZE
\$250
1-3X5 STADIUM BANNER

SILVER
\$500
1-3X8 STADIUM BANNER

GOLD
\$750
1-3X8 STADIUM BANNER
1-3X5 BANNER LOCATION OF CHOICE

PLATINUM
\$1000
1-3X8 STADIUM BANNER
1-3X5 BANNER LOCATION OF CHOICE
SIGN/BANNER AT ALL PRABC EVENTS

MULTI YEAR
AND
CUSTOMIZABLE
SPONSORSHIP
OPPORTUNITIES
ARE AVAILABLE
CONTACT
PRABCSPONSORSHIPS@GMAIL.COM

FOR MORE
INFORMATION

If you have any questions
or would like to sponsor
please email
prabcsponsorships@gmail.com



Don't forget Pirate Gear is on
sale at some of our athletic
events. Contact the Booster
Club for Details

BUY TICKETS ONLINE

USE THE QR CODE BELOW, OR
VISIT GOFAN.CO & SEARCH
PORTER RIDGE ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB



PORTER RIDGE HIGH SCHOOL ANNUAL PIRATE
PASS

AUGUST 12, 2025 | 02:30 PM



[Click here for an all sports
season pass](#)

When Coming to Athletic Events

- Only clear bags no larger than 4.5" x 6.5" are allowed in events/games.
- Students and children 8th grade and younger must be accompanied by an adult when attending events/games.
- All ticket sales will end at the mid-point of an event or at the beginning of halftime at games.

PIRATE ATHLETICS

WINTER SPORTS COACHES

Athletic Director	Sarah Webb	sarah.webb@ucps.k12.nc.us
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Men's V Basketball	Cody Frady	cody.frady@ucps.k12.nc.us
Swimming/Diving	Sarah Wiles	sarah.wiles@ucps.k12.nc.us
Women's Basketball	Morgan Brown	morgan.brown@ucps.k12.nc.us
Wrestling	Randy Durbin	randy.durbin@ucps.k12.nc.us
Winter/Indoor Track	Meredith Forrest	meredith.forrest@ucps.k12.nc.us

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for Athletics
Registration

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for the
PRHS
Pirate
Athletics
Website



Watch sports in our main
stadium and in our gym on
these websites- Subscriber
Sites- CLICK THE ICONS



For athletic event tickets [click here](#)
or on the GO FAN Icon ↓



[Click here](#) for the Porter
Ridge Athletic Boosters
Website



[Click here](#) for a list of all PR sports
teams and a link to their schedules





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Parent Information

Parents, would you like a chance to be more involved with the students and teachers at PRHS? We are seeking parents willing to support the PTO's work, to donate items for teacher appreciation, PTO, and school events, and willing to volunteer at PTO or school events. Please email Amy Dieffenbach at amy_dieffenbach@yahoo.com or Alana White at alanahwhite@gmail.com if you're interested in helping with the PTO in any capacity. We'd love to hear from you and look forward to serving together at our wonderful school!

JOIN OR DONATE USING QR CODE

**Follow the PTO on
social Media**

**[CLICK HERE TO DONATE
OR HELP FOR THE
FACULTY/STAFF
HOLIDAY LUNCHEON](#)**

**[CLICK HERE TO DONATE
FOR SNACKS FOR
TEACHERS ON EXAM
DAYS!](#)**



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Attendance Procedures

STEP BY STEP GUIDE TO UCPS ABSENCE REPORT FORM

ATTENTION
PLEASE!

1



Create your account

Parent or guardian must create an account. The system will not accept submissions from student email accounts. PRHS will review accounts created to ensure that the email address used matches the parent email address in powerschool. For safety reasons if the email address does not match the known parent email, the account will be deleted. For reference, the school newsletter, the Pirate Press, is sent to the parent email address on file. You can also call the school to check on your email

2



Report Absences

Parent or guardian will submit all absences digitally via this Microsoft form.

3



Please Note:

- Must submit one day absence at a time.
- You cannot submit an absence before it occurs
- You must upload documentation necessary to excuse absences.
- Porter Ridge High School may only accept a maximum of 5 absences per semester excused with a parent note. After 5 days, only a doctor's note will be accepted.

4



Report absence:

Once your account has been created, use this link to log in and begin reporting absences.

5



Are there any questions?

For questions regarding attendance, please call the school.



@ 704-292-7662

[CLICK HERE OR
ON THE AD FOR
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GUIA PASO A PASO PARA INFORMAR LA AUSENCIA DEL ESTUDIANTE

ANUNCIO
IMPORTANTE

1



Crea tu cuenta

La cuenta debe ser creada solo por el padre o la persona a cargo del estudiante. La escuela de PRHS va a revisar y verificar de que la cuenta corresponda al mismo correo electrónico que se tiene en el sistema de la escuela, por razones de seguridad.

2



Reporta la razón por la cual no se asistió a la escuela.

Los padres o la persona a cargo del estudiante debe de documentar la razón por la cual el estudiante no estuvo en la escuela. Esta documentación se hace de manera digital por vía de Microsoft. En el mismo lugar donde usted creo su cuenta.

3



Para tener en cuenta:

- Solo puede reportar un solo día de ausencia.
- No puede reportar ausencias por adelantado.
- Debe de adjuntar la documentación para la excusa.
- La escuela de Porter Ridge High School sólo acepta un máximo de 5 excusas escritas por los padres. Después de 5 excusas, sólo se aceptarán notas provenientes del doctor.

4



Reporte la razón por la que se faltó:

Después de que creó su cuenta, usé este link que le da este QR code para reportar la ausencia.

5



Si todavía tiene preguntas?

Por favor comuníquese con la escuela al número de teléfono que esta aquí abajo.



@ 704-292-7662



Important Links

[School Forms- CLICK HERE](#)

[Visitor on Campus Information- CLICK HERE](#)

[Click here for the PRHS Student Handbook](#)

for the Tardy Policy, Dress Code, & Attendance Requirements

TECHNOLOGY USE, FEES & HELP

UCPS HAS A TECHNOLOGY FEE of \$30 all students must pay. **Click [here](#) to access Infinite Campus to pay.** This fee will help to cover accidental damage. Mr. Mario Mood is our Technology Systems Engineer.

School Nutrition Prices

If you feel your family may qualify for free or reduced meals, UCPS encourages parents to complete the [meal application](#) (click here)

Click [here](#) to set up an account to **make payments** and monitor your child's lunch account.

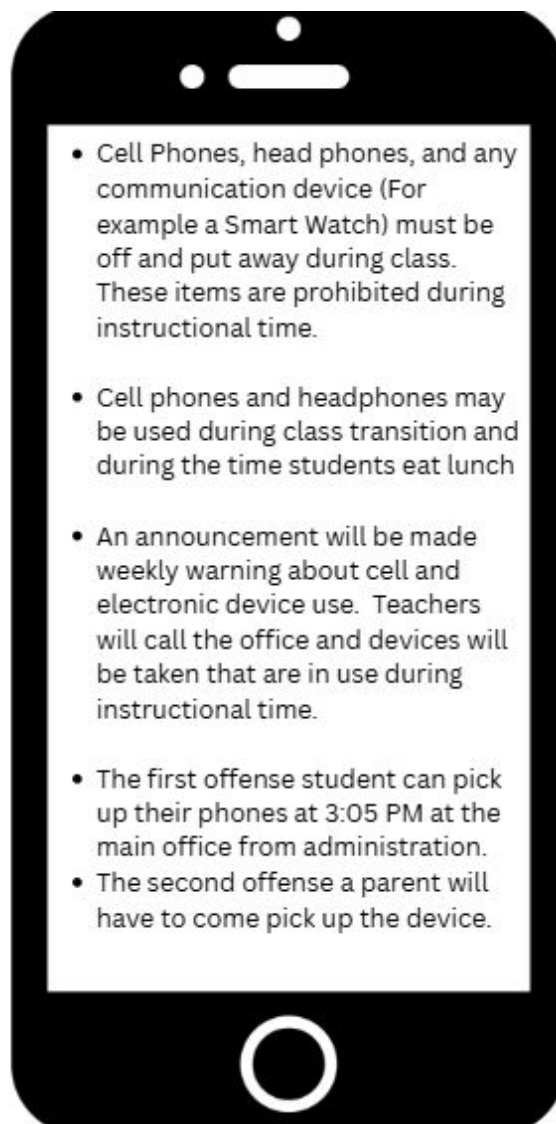
If you have questions or need a paper copy of the application, please contact School Nutrition at 704-296-3000

Transportation information can be found on the [UCPS Transportation pages](#).

The school system is using the Edulog App this year to track your bus. Please see the flyer below: Video on how to install the app: [CLICK HERE](#)

For directions on **how to install** this Real-time bus app on your phone [please follow this link](#). There is a great video for your reference here.

[Transportation Information- CLICK HERE](#)





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COMMUNICATION

Dear Parents,

Communication from your child's school and the Union County Public Schools district office is extremely important, as it provides weekly updates, information during emergencies, opportunities to stay engaged and so much more.

Union County Public Schools is updating its mass communication system. This is the system that sends emails, phone calls and text messages to families. With this transition, there are some action steps for parents, as we want to make sure you continue to receive communication in a timely manner.

Important information and action for parents:

1. If you have not claimed your Infinite Campus (NCSIS) account and have not provided a phone number or email address that is associated with your student, you may not receive emails, phone calls or text messages from your child's school or UCPS district offices.
2. To access Infinite Campus and frequently asked questions:
<https://www.ucpsnc.org/students-families/infinite-campus>
3. If you have claimed your account, can access Infinite Campus, but need to add or update a phone number or email address, go to your Profile Settings and update your Contact Preferences.
4. If you have a preferred language, click on the Preferred Language drop-down box, and select your language. The default language is English for messages. This is also found in your Contact Preferences.
5. Emails and text messages will come from Union County Public Schools, based on the information you provided in Infinite Campus.
6. If you need help, please contact your child's school.

Thank you.



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