

Porter Ridge High School

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*Please note a slight shift in student assignments by alphabet.

After school Tutoring Opportunities

When: Mondays and Wednesdays at 3:00 pm

Where: PRHS Guidance Office

Who: Any student who needs help is invited to attend.

What: National Honor Society students will be offering tutoring in English, Math, History, Science and Spanish.

If you need extra help in one (or more) of your classes, then do not miss this valuable opportunity! NHS students will stay after school twice each week to offer support to fellow students in need.

These tutoring sessions serve as an additional resource available to help struggling students. Many teachers also provide tutoring opportunities. Contact your teacher for more information.

Senior Reminder

Seniors, it is not too late to make your plans for next year! Regular admissions deadlines for some NC colleges are not until February or March 2016. Be sure to do your research and get materials in on time. Contact your counselor with questions.



Upcoming Events

November 17 @ 6:30 pm

Preparing for College - 11th grade Parent Night

November 19 @ 6:30

Ryan's Story – Presentation for parents about bullying, technology, & youth depression

Attention, Parents!

UPDATED LINK

We value your input! Please use the below link to complete a brief online survey regarding our students' needs.

We will use your feedback to help improve services offered to students this school year.

We have **updated** this link to allow **all** users to provide feedback. You do not need to log in for it to work.

Thank you in advance for your help!

Click here: [PRHS School Counseling Needs Assessment for Parents/Guardians](#)

Spotlight on Testing

ASVAB

Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB)

The ASVAB is a multi-aptitude battery that measures developed abilities and helps predict future academic and occupational success in the military.

The ASVAB will be offered for free at PRHS on December 2, 2015. Sign up to take the ASVAB [here](#).

For more information about the ASVAB:

[Official ASVAB Website](#)

[Military.com](#) – with ASVAB practice tests

Test Preparation

PRHS will soon be hosting test preparation courses by Princeton Review to help students prepare for the SAT, ACT, and RSAT (Redesigned SAT).

Course #	Test Type	Schedule	Times	Class	Price
272351	SAT-101	1/9/16	9:00am – 1:15pm	Test	\$179
		1/14/16	3:15pm – 5:45pm	#1	
		1/21/16	3:15pm – 5:45pm	#2	
272352	ACT-101	2/13/16	9:00am – 1:15pm	Test	\$179
		2/17/16	3:15pm – 5:45pm	#1	
		2/24/16	3:15pm – 5:45pm	#2	
272337	RSAT-101	4/23/16	9:00am – 1:15pm	Test	\$179
		4/26/16	3:15pm – 5:45pm	#1	
		5/3/16	3:15pm – 5:45pm	#2	

SAVE \$29 with PROMOCODE: PRP101

To register, please call 1-800-2Review or register [online](#).

Kaplan Test Prep

On November 14, there will be a Free SAT/ACT Combo Practice Test held by Kaplan Test Prep based on the new SAT and ACT. The practice test will be held at Kaplan College in Charlotte from 10am - 2pm.

Please visit kaptest.com/satvsact to sign up today.



Upcoming Testing Dates

ACT

December 12th

February 6th

April 9th

Register online for [ACT](#).

SAT

November 7th

December 5th

January 23rd

Register online for [SAT](#).

SAT (new/redesigned)

March 5th

May 7th

Register online for new [SAT](#).

ASVAB

December 2nd

Sign up online for [ASVAB](#).

New, redesigned SAT

The current SAT will be administered until January 2016. Then, beginning in March 2016, the SAT will change. While still assessing skills in reading, writing, and math, the redesigned SAT will focus on the knowledge and skills that current research shows are essential for college and career readiness and success.

Some important changes to the redesigned SAT will include:

- No penalty for wrong answers
- More relevant words in context rather than obscure vocabulary
- In-depth focus on essential areas of math
- An optional essay that mirrors college writing assignments

Class of 2016

Graduating seniors will most likely continue taking the current SAT only. Most college bound seniors will not take the SAT after the January administration.

Class of 2017 and beyond

While some current juniors may choose to take the current SAT in December or January, it may be more beneficial to wait until March and take the new, redesigned SAT only.

For more information about the new, redesigned SAT, visit the [College Board website](#).



Thank you to everyone who participated in Red Ribbon Week!



Ryan Halligan

www.ryanpatrickhalligan.org/

Ryan's Story

November 19 – November 20

John Halligan lost his son, Ryan, to suicide on October 7, 2003 at the age of 13 following a period of ridicule and humiliation by peers at school and on-line.

Mr. Halligan is coming to PRHS to help educate our community about the prevention of bullying, cyber bullying, and teen suicide.

Students will have the opportunity to hear this important presentation during school November 19 & 20.

Parents are invited to attend a similar presentation on **November 19th at 6:30 pm in the PRHS Auditorium.**

We hope you take advantage of this important offering by joining us on November 19th.