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PROVIDENCE HIGH SCHOOL MEWS

January 5, 2024

The following articles were submitted by staff, various PHS clubs, booster organizations, etc., and compiled by the PTSO for your convenience. Direct questions related to specific articles to the contact person listed.

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DATES TO REMEMBER

January 15	Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day holiday – no school
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ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

New – **Student Government Update**

The Leadership class would like to thank everyone for their support throughout Officer Prep! We had great participation, and wonderful student leaders attended the workshop.

The workshop helped participants grow as leaders and focused on teaching specific leadership skills including time management, risk-taking, creativity, and more. Attendees were provided with information to apply for the 2024-25 Leadership class. Congratulations to future Leadership applicants for completing the first step, attending Officer Prep! The next steps include an application, which is due on **January 5 at 12 PM**, and an interview process. The application can be found at the following link: bit.ly/leadership2425.

Our next home basketball game will be on **January 12** against Garringer High. The theme will be "Pajamas." The first 50 students to attend the varsity women's game may enter a raffle to win a free tardy pass.

To stay updated on upcoming events and information, follow [@providenceeb](#) on Instagram. If you have any questions, contact Leadership advisor Laura Bauer at lauram.bauer@cms.k12.nc.us.

(Submitted 01/03/2024 by Laura Bauer, lauram.bauer@cms.k12.nc.us)

New – **Spirit Night at Super Chix**

Come out and support PHS on our first community fundraiser night of 2024. Pick up a delicious dinner at Super Chix in Stonecrest on **January 10** from **4–8 PM**. Be sure to mention Providence High School so we get credit.

(Submitted 01/03/2024 by Andria Kokoszka, akk623@gmail.com)

New – Senior Yard Signs

Celebrate senior year by displaying a Providence High School senior yard sign on your lawn. Purchasing is fast and easy through the pay4schoolstuff.com site. Once the payment is processed, you will get an email notifying you that your sign is ready for pickup in the front office.

If you have any questions, please contact Naomi McRary at naomi90404@aol.com. Congratulations to your senior!

(Submitted 01/03/24 by Naomi McRary, naomi90404@aol.com)

COUNSELING DEPARTMENT AND CAREER DEVELOPMENT

New – Scholarship of the Week

People Helping People

SECU Foundation established the People Helping People four-year scholarship program to help North Carolina public high school students attend college. The LEA Scholarship Selection Committee will use the following criteria to award the SECU Foundation People Helping People Scholarship to a recipient who:

1. Is either an SECU member or is eligible for membership through a parent/guardian. Student or their parent/guardian must be a member at the time of application.
2. Is a senior at a North Carolina public high school who has been accepted to one of the 16 constituent campuses of the University of North Carolina System; copy of acceptance letter must be provided.
3. Is a resident of North Carolina under NCGS 116-143.1 and is eligible for in-state tuition.
4. Best exemplifies the “People Helping People” philosophy of SECU with demonstrated leadership, excellence of character, integrity, and community involvement.
5. Demonstrates scholastic achievement with a maintained 2.5 or higher unweighted grade point average on a 4.0 scale and may be deserving of financial aid.
6. Will use the scholarship to pay for full-time undergraduate student tuition and fees.
7. Agrees to continue as a full-time student in good standing (maintained 2.5 or higher GPA) with the same university for up to eight consecutive fall/spring semesters payable at \$1,250 per semester. Scholarships are not transferable without prior approval of SECU Foundation.
 - a. A written appeal for transfer must be made to the SECU Foundation prior to transfer.
 - b. No transfers will be allowed to a university outside of the UNC System.
 - c. Any gap in active enrollment will result in non-eligibility for funding for each semester missed.

8. Is not a director, employee, or family member of a director or employee of SECU or the SECU Foundation, or a family member of a member of the scholarship selection committee.

Each applicant must complete the application located in Naviance and submit the packet to Mrs. Obringer at virginiaa.obringer@cms.k12.nc.us by **February 22, 2024**.

(Submitted 01/03/2024 by Virginia Obringer, virginiaa.obringer@cms.k12.nc.us)

New – MeckPathways Summer Internship

MeckPathways is a partnership between Mecklenburg County Government and Charlotte Mecklenburg Schools. This internship program (<https://hr.mecknc.gov/Internships>) provides students an opportunity to gain professional work experience that connects their classroom experiences and potential career choices. The goal of the program is to provide a variety of opportunities for students to learn about public service professions.

Details:

- Pay rate: \$15/hour
- Program dates: **June 10–August 2, 2024**
- Potential work week: 20–40 hours per week

Applicant Requirements:

- Applicant must be a CMS high school junior or senior
- Minimum Age: 16 years old by **May 3, 2024**
- No experience is required

Applications for MeckPathways will open in early February. Students who are interested in this internship program should complete this Google form so that Ms. Hall can follow up with additional application information: <https://forms.gle/XHAZbK4FwTHso9cC9>.

(Submitted 01/03/2024 by Lisa Hall, Lisac.hall@cms.k12.nc.us)

New – CPCC Dual Enrollment

Dual enrollment students: please make sure that you are checking your CPCC email account on a regular basis. The first session of Spring 2024 courses will start on **Monday, January 8**. This is prior to the end of the first semester for the CMS school calendar. Those of you who have signed up for courses that start on **January 8** should have received information about your course(s) in your CPCC email account.

(Submitted 01/03/2024 by Lisa Hall, lisac.hall@cms.k12.nc.us)

Bank of America Student Leaders Summer Internship

Applications are now open for the Bank of America Student Leaders summer internship program. Through Student Leaders, Bank of America recognizes high school students who lead and serve their own communities and beyond. As a Student Leader, students will work as paid interns at a local nonprofit for eight weeks. They will also attend the weeklong Student Leaders Summit in Washington, D.C. This program also provides students the opportunity to develop leadership and career skills as well as the ability to connect with like-minded students from their own community and across the country. Applications close on **Wednesday, January 17, 2024**. Click on the link to apply today: <https://about.bankofamerica.com/en/making-an-impact/student-leaders>

(Submitted 12/05/2023 by Lisa Hall, Lisac.hall@cms.k12.nc.us)

[School Counseling website](#)

[Information on College Visits](#)

[College and Career Center website](#)

[Job Openings](#)

[Upcoming College Visits](#)

Our scholarship list is in Naviance. Under the College tab, click Scholarship List and then click Local and Regional Scholarships.

ATHLETICS

[PHS Athletics website – click to see Panther News and Sports Report](#)

[PHS teams spirit wear store](#)

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[Follow PHS Athletics on Instagram – @providence.panthers](#)

[Follow Panther Athletic Club on Instagram – @providencepac](#)

January

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<u>8</u> Basketball vs. Phillip O. Berry Acad @ Phillip O Berry Academy of Technology (Girls JV 3:30 PM) (Boys JV 4:30 PM) (Girls V 6 PM) (Boys V 7:30 PM)	<u>9</u> Basketball vs. Rocky River @ Rocky River High (JV Boys 4:30 PM) (Girls V 6 PM) (Boys V 7:30 PM)	<u>10</u> Boys and Girls V Swimming & Diving vs. multiple schools @ Providence High (6 PM) Indoor Track & Field at Providence (3:30–7:30 PM)	<u>11</u>	<u>12</u> Basketball vs. Garinger @ Providence High (Girls JV 3:30 PM) (Boys JV 4:30 PM) (Girls V 6 PM) (Boys V 7:30 PM) Boys V Rugby vs. Ardrey Kell @ Providence High (7 PM)	<u>13</u> Wrestling @ Piedmont (8 AM–2 PM)

Save the Date: Providence Athletic Club Golf Tournament

Mark **April 15** on your calendar for the Providence Athletic Club Golf Tournament. Registration link coming soon. For tournament questions, contact Melanie Bradle at melaniebradle@gmail.com.

(Submitted 11/16/23 by Sarah Novak, snovak428@hotmail.com)

Panther Sports Report

View this week's Panther Sports Report from our Athletic Director, Coach Caz: Go to [PHS Athletics page](#); click on Panther News in the Featured section.

Providence Athletic Club and Sports Updates

2023-2024 Head Coaches Contact Information

Below is the link to our web page with contact information for all Providence head coaches. Please reach out if you have not been connected with the sport you are interested in participating in.

<https://providenceathleticzone.com/athletics-information/providence-athletic-department-directory>.

Player Registration

This year CMS has changed its process for athlete registration. The Dragonfly site will be used to collect all documents, including physicals, proof of residency, and other required documents. This site will also be where the required CMS athletic participation fee will be collected. All this information must be completed prior to first games, but many coaches may require this information to be completed shortly after tryouts. The registration site is dragonflyathletics.com. Please start this process now so there is no delay in students' participation in PHS sports.

Providence Athletic Fee

The Providence athletic fee, which is paid by student athletes, is the primary fundraiser for Providence Athletics and supports all PHS sports. Athletes are asked to contribute \$80 if they play one season and \$130 if they play two or three seasons, and all have the option to contribute more. The Providence athletic fee can be paid through <https://www.pay4schoolstuff.com>.

PAC Membership via Hometown Fan App

Purchase your PAC membership and get admission to all home athletic games. Membership is valid for the entire school year: all sports, any season, multiple membership options. It does not include club sports and home playoff games.

The funds raised go directly to Providence Athletics to support field and facility maintenance, athletic equipment purchases, equipment maintenance, scholarships, continuing education for coaches, student athlete recognition, transportation to games, and senior recognition.

To purchase your membership, please follow these steps:

1. Download the Hometown Fan app at <https://www.hometownticketing.com/resources/hometown-fan-app/> and search for Providence Athletic Club, or go to <https://charlottemeck.hometownticketing.com/embed/all?schools=203>.
2. The app will generate a QR code for every home sporting event as your admission to the game.

3. Family memberships: each family member will use the same QR code to access all events. This will allow four, five, or six QR code scans for each event.
4. There is a \$3 convenience fee added to the cost of each membership.

Please contact membership chairperson Heidi Peltz at heidipeltz3@gmail.com with questions.

Athletic Ticket Purchases

Tickets for Providence Athletics events can be purchased through this link:
<http://charlottemeck.hometownticketing.com/embed/all?schools=103>

Download the Hometown Fan app at: <https://www.hometownticketing.com/resources/hometown-fan-app/>.

2023-2024 Corporate Sponsorship Campaign

If you would like to be a Providence Athletic Club corporate partner, please reach out to the following people for details on how to get involved.

- PAC president: Tony Tomljanovic, tomljanovic@carolina.rr.com
- PAC sponsorship lead: Kim Henry, khenry696@gmail.com

Harris Teeter VIC Card PAC Support

Please support the Panther Athletic Club by linking your VIC card to #1062. You can link this number to your card at any Harris Teeter or go to <https://www.harristeeter.com/together-in-education>. A total of five school organizations can be added to each VIC card.

Sports Photos

To learn more about sports photo options with Providence athletics visit [ProvidenceSportsPhoto](#). For assistance, contact Rusty Transou at rtransou@gmail.com.

Live Stream PHS Sports

Providence is thrilled to announce its partnership with the NFHS Network to livestream all events in our stadium and main gym through the NFHS Network, including football, basketball, cheer, volleyball, wrestling, lacrosse, soccer, track & field, and swimming. Please access the link below, subscribe to our channel, and select Providence High School as your school of choice. A percentage of each subscription will return to Providence Athletics to support our programs and student athletes.
<https://www.nfhsnetwork.com/schools/providence-high-school-charlotte-nc>

2023-2024 Providence Athletic Forms Page

Be sure to visit the Providence athletic forms page to get all the information needed for athletic participation. <https://providenceathleticzone.com/athletic-forms>.

2023-2024 Providence Athletics Schedule Page

The 2023 fall sports schedules are being posted on our Providence Athletics calendar page. Please visit the following link to view up-to-date schedules as they unfold throughout the school year:
<https://providenceathleticzone.com/events>.

Student-Athlete Scholarship Opportunities for Senior Student Athletes

NCHSAA Scholarships

The application period has opened for many NCHSAA scholarships Please visit the below link if you are interested in learning more about the scholarships available and to apply.

<https://www.nchsaa.org/grants-scholarships/>

Liz Murray Scholarship (sponsored by the Hood Hargett Breakfast Club)

The Hood Hargett Breakfast Club awards a monthly scholarship throughout the school year, with the first application deadline in early September. Once your application is submitted, it will remain in the applicant pool for the remainder of the school year. Click the link below for the application and contact your head coach or the PHS athletic director with questions.

<https://hoodhargettbreakfastclub.com/hhbc-scholarship-fund/liz-murray-scholarship-application/>