

# PORTER eUPDATE

December 6, 2024



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## IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

- December 11.....**BAND CONCERT @ 6:30pm**
- December 12.....**PTO Meeting @ 7:00pm**; don't forget to [REGISTER](#)
- December 16-20.....**USED BOOK SALE** (during the school day for students)
- December 18.....Mrs. Foor's **BIRTHDAY** 😊
- December 19.....**DAY OF THE ARTS** (*see below for more information*)
- Dec. 23 - Jan. 3.....**WINTER BREAK**

### SAVE THE DATES:

- ✦ January 9..... PTO Meeting @ 7:00pm; don't forget to [REGISTER](#)
- ✦ January 20.....**NO SCHOOL**, observance of Martin Luther King day
- ✦ January 21-22.....**NO SCHOOL**, Teacher Workdays

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## PORTER HOSTING CHESS TOURNEY...DECEMBER 14th



Porter's Chess Club will be hosting their annual FALL CHESS TOURNAMENT! Come out and join in a fun day of chess.

**DATE:** Saturday, December 14th @ 8am - 12pm

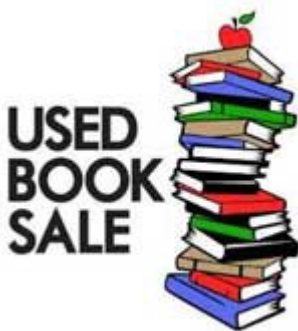
**PLACE:** Porter Traditional School - Gymnasium

**CONTACT:** [froghorn76@hotmail.com](mailto:froghorn76@hotmail.com) or [mrpatterson@gmail.com](mailto:mrpatterson@gmail.com)

Use this link to [REGISTER FOR THE CHESS TOURNAMENT.](#)

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## PORTER USED BOOK SALE...DECEMBER 16-20



The Porter Library will be hosting it's annual **USED BOOK SALE** from **December 16th - 20th**. Students will be able to purchase gently used books for a very small (25 cents to \$3) amount throughout the week. Most books will only be 25-50 cents.

We have hundreds of books for sale and will even have special wrapped book bundles and trinkets that are great for gift giving.

Our goal is to have every student who visits go home with 2 or 3 books for winter break reading at home!!

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## 2024 DAY OF THE ARTS...DECEMBER 19th



This event is a favorite of students and staff! This year's theme is **CONNECTING WITH NATURE!** Students will learn about Science and Nature through Art.

★★**VOLUNTEERS** and **DONATIONS** are **STILL NEEDED** ★★

Help us make this day a success for the students. Please use the [PTO VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP LINK](#) to sign up.

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## BE PREPARED FOR INCLEMENT WEATHER

Winter is just around the corner...be prepared for school closings. When bad weather or other emergency situations occur, it may be necessary for PWCS to modify normal operations by canceling school, delay opening, closing schools early, or moving to virtual/remote learning.

Here are a few tips to make sure you are ready for when the decision is made:



1. Know where to get the **INFORMATION**:  
[www.pwcs.edu/about\\_us/closings](http://www.pwcs.edu/about_us/closings)
2. Know what the **EMERGENCY CODES** mean (Code Red, Code Orange, etc): [www.pwcs.edu/about\\_us/closings/codes](http://www.pwcs.edu/about_us/closings/codes)
3. **HAVE A PLAN** for when it happens: Do you need a sitter if school is canceled? Who picks the kids up from early school closing? Does the school have a current contact phone number for you?

For additional important information about inclement weather and possible school closings, please visit our website at: [https://porter.pwcs.edu/news/inclement\\_weather](https://porter.pwcs.edu/news/inclement_weather)

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## KNOW WHAT "CODE ORANGE" MEANS FOR YOUR STUDENT



PWCS implements **CODE ORANGE DAYS** when weather conditions are marginal and impact road or sidewalk safety conditions, but are not so severe as to cause substantial impacts. **CODE ORANGE DAYS** will be used as a **VIRTUAL LEARNING DAY** for students to work synchronously with their teachers.

**CODE ORANGE** may also be used in lieu of a delayed opening. PWCS will continue to have "Code Red" days (closing all schools and operations) for significant weather impacts.

For more CODE ORANGE information and what it means for Porter students, please use this link: [https://porter.pwcs.edu/code\\_orange\\_day](https://porter.pwcs.edu/code_orange_day)

More information regarding PWCS Inclement Weather plans and practices, use the link below: [https://www.pwcs.edu/about\\_us/closings](https://www.pwcs.edu/about_us/closings)

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## TESTING INFORMATION FOR 2nd, 3rd, and 6th GRADERS

The Parent/Guardian **STUDENT TESTING RESULTS reports** were sent home today with students for the following assessments:

2nd Grade Naglieri Nonverbal Ability Test-Third Edition (NNAT3)

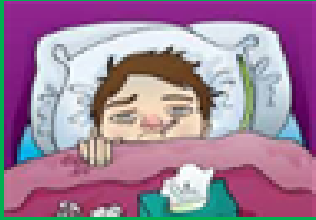
6th Grade Naglieri Nonverbal Ability Test-Third Edition (NNAT3)

3rd Grade Cognitive Abilities Test (CogAT)

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# WINTER HOLIDAY DRIVE

## PORTER NJHS WINTER SERVICE PROJECT



## WHEN TO STAY HOME AND WHEN TO GO TO SCHOOL.

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



ALL current [VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES](#) can be found on the "Volunteer Opportunities" page under the VOLUNTEER tab on the [Porter website](#).

- ✓ **FRONT DESK GREETER 2.0**....Sitting in the front vestibule/foyer area to direct visitors to the front office, once they walk through the EVOLV screener. The monthly sign-ups can be found on the Porter website under the [VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES](#) page.
- ✓ The [PTO VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP link](#) is continuously updated with new volunteer opportunities.
- ✓ **Front Office VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**...we've created a [VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP](#) for any miscellaneous volunteer work we have for the front office. We will keep it updated as opportunities come up...so, be sure to look at it periodically.
- ✓ The **CAFETERIA** is always available for volunteers, any day between **11am - 1:45pm**. Just come into the front office, sign in, and get your 'volunteer' sticker. We do ask that you work at least 1 hour.

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENTS

**PWC Public Library (13 and older)**....<https://www.pwcva.gov/department/library/volunteer-and-internship-opportunities>

**Sorter for ACTS Retail store:** <https://www.actspwc.org/volunteer#How>

## CURRENT PARENT VOLUNTEER HOURS as of Nov. 25, 2024

### PTO NEWS & RESOURCES

- PTO Page.....[https://porter.pwcs.edu/our\\_school/pto/index](https://porter.pwcs.edu/our_school/pto/index)
- PTO Volunteer sign-up.....<https://tinyurl.com/yc8n8u4w>
- PTO Membership....<https://forms.gle/KKMwWXaWcQfZxPuf7>
- PTO Calendar.....[https://porter.pwcs.edu/our\\_school/pto/index](https://porter.pwcs.edu/our_school/pto/index)
- PTO Spirit Wear....<https://forms.gle/zekc3GRyQWrmow4E7>
- PTO Meeting Registration....<https://tinyurl.com/5yx85yp4>

### PORTER PARENT RESOURCES

- [Porter Parent Tech Resources](#)
- [Porter Master Schedule for 2024-25](#)
- [Porter Uniform Policy](#)
- [Porter Beginning of the Year Forms](#)
- [Porter Carline Procedures](#)
- [Porter Cellphone Guidelines](#)
- [Porter Previous Porter eUpdates](#)

### PWCS PARENT RESOURCES

- [PWCS Code of Behavior](#)
- [PWCS Late Bus Status](#)
- [PWCS Mental Health Resources](#)
- [PWCS News](#)
- [PWCS ParentVUE](#)
- [PWCS School Calendar](#)
- [PWCS School Meals Information](#)
- [PWCS Staying Connected](#)
- [PWCS Tip Line](#)
- [PWCS Transportation Department](#)
- [PWCS-TV](#)

## PWCS PARENT LIBRARY CONTROLS

Gives parents the option to restrict access to specific titles in circulation in our school library.

## PWCS FAMILY ENGAGEMENT SERIES



**Michele Tluchowski**

Michele is using Smore to create beautiful newsletters

