

Warrior Weekly

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IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

Saturday, March 12th - Men's Basketball State Championship Game (see below for more information)

Monday, March 21st - Optional Teacher Workday. No school for students

Saturday, March 26th - Marching Band Mattress Sale (see below for more information)

Monday, March 28th - College Fair in the gym (more information to come)

SENIOR ORDER PICK-UP SAVE THE DATE

Attention all seniors and Class of 2022. Jostens will be on campus on **Monday, April 4th during all lunch periods** to distribute your cap/gowns and other senior items you ordered. It will be a special day for our Class of 2022. If you have a balance due, it must be paid in full prior to picking up your order. Jostens has mailed information to all seniors but if you are not sure if you owe a balance, please call Jostens at 800-582-6376 as they will be happy to assist you.



WHS BAND INFORMATION



The 8th annual Weddington HS & MS Bands mattress sale is Saturday, March 26th from 10am to 5pm at the High School! Brand new Simmons Black Hybrids, Beautyrest, adjustable power bases, memory foams, latex, pillows and more top brands will be displayed at up to 50% off below retail prices! All forms of payment accepted! 6 months same as cash financing with good credit, \$40 down no credit needed program and delivery are all available. You, your family and friends deserve to stay healthy with a good night's rest! All mattresses have full replacement factory warranties. Again, that is Saturday, March 26th from 10am to 5pm at the High School! Mark your calendar and tell everyone in your life! Every purchase benefits the Weddington HS & MS Bands programs and students.

Congratulations Prathmesh Vijayakumar!



Congratulations to Prathmesh Vijayakumar for his admittance to the North Carolina All State Band. He is one of the 4 best alto saxophone players in the state and will be representing Weddington at UNC Chapel Hill on May 1st

CONGRATULATIONS CHORUS STUDENTS



WHS Seniors, Jessica Holler and Leah Schuetz auditioned and were chosen from over 10,000 students to participate in the exclusive 2022 High School Honors Choral Performance Series at Carnegie Hall in New York City on February 6th. All of the students came together in New York City for five days and included high school performers from 47 States, Australia, Bermuda, China, Guam, and South Korea. Leah and Jessica were personally selected to perform by their conductor Dr. Lynne Gackle with the all-female High School Honors Treble Choir. They had the opportunity to learn from other world-renowned and Grammy winning conductors, work with other Finalists, and get a taste of New York City. After rehearsals they had a great time attending a Broadway Show, visiting Rockefeller Center and taking a Cruise around Manhattan

CONGRATULATIONS WHS DECA MEMBERS



Congratulations to the 52 WHS DECA members that went to Greensboro Feb. 23 to compete in the NC DECA State competition and all received proficiency in their events. 2400 NC students competed this year in 59 different events. WHS members competed in 18 events and won 10 Top Roleplay Medals, 10 Top Test Plaques, 13 Top Test medals, 17 Top Overall medals, 9 Trophies (DECA Glass) – 1st Place (4), 3rd Place (2), 4th Place (2), 6th Place (1). The 17 Top overall winners can advance to International Competition in Atlanta April 23rd. In the Virtual Events we had 6 students win 1st place (Accounting, Hotel and Sports & Entertainment). In addition, our chapter won Chapter of Distinction for extensive Program of Work and Silvia Petrikis won her election as NC State Officer for next year. (Take a look at social media postings for full list of student awards).

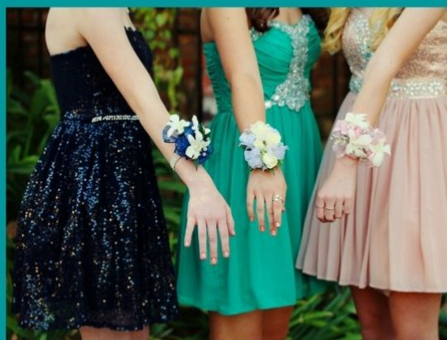
IMPORTANT REMINDERS

We have been notified by the elementary school that a number of students are parking in the elementary school parking lot. Students are not permitted to park in the elementary or middle school parking lots. Unauthorized vehicles parked at the elementary or middle schools will be towed at the owners expense. **Students are also not to park in the church parking lot across from the school or on the streets in surrounding neighborhoods.**

Students are NOT to be dropped off or picked up in the surrounding neighborhoods. All student drop-offs in the morning and pick-ups at dismissal are to be done in the car rider line. **We also ask that**

all cars pull all the way down in the car rider line as directed by staff. This allows more students to access their rides at one time, thereby speeding up the pick-up process.

2022 JUNIOR-SENIOR PROM



WHS Junior & Senior Prom

Sat., May 7th, 2022

8 pm - 12 pm

The Ritz-Carlton

Tickets are \$75 each

Click [HERE](#) to purchase tickets.

YEARBOOKS



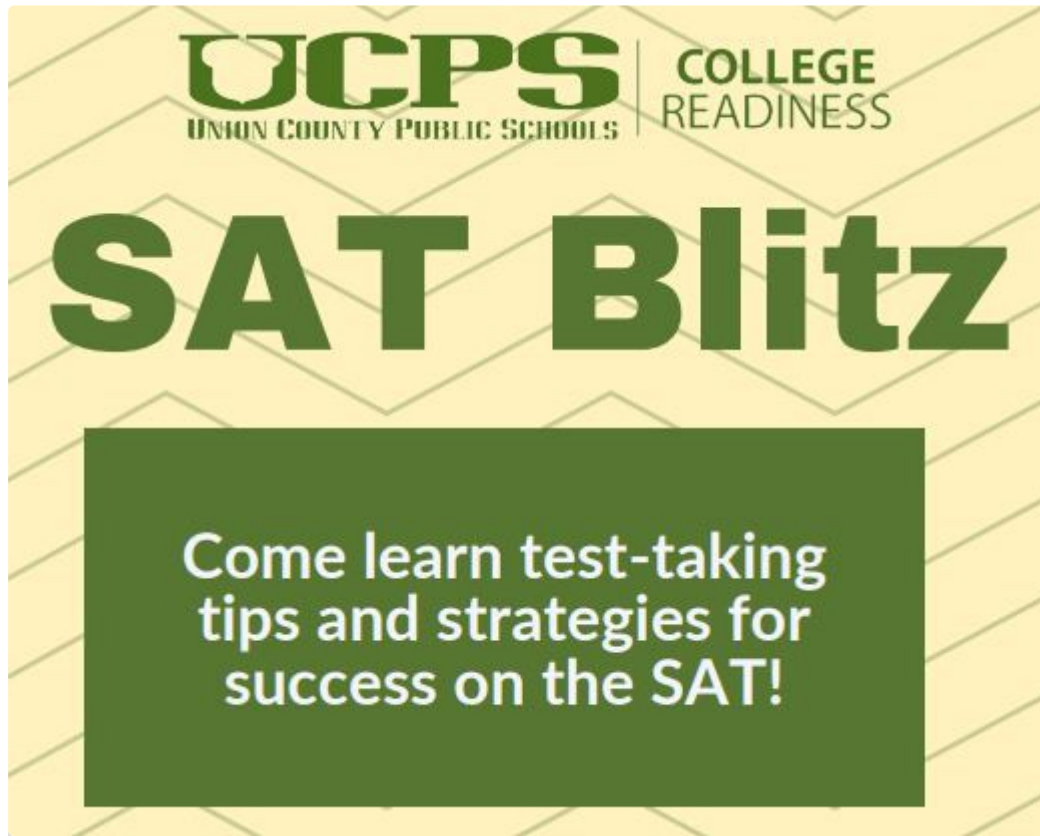
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now on sale for
\$90.**

**We have 200 books still available to
purchase. Don't miss out!**

Order online at [Jostens.com](https://www.jostens.com)

Yearbooks are currently on sale for \$90 at [jostens.com](https://www.jostens.com). Please purchase your copy ASAP to make sure you don't miss out! Yearbooks will be distributed to all students at the end of May. The yearbook staff is also creating a special senior insert that will be mailed to all seniors over the summer. This senior insert will include senior week events, prom, and graduation. The yearbook staff is working very hard to ensure all our students are in the book. Right now, we have 1825 students covered in the yearbook at least one time. Please consider purchasing a yearbook to help capture the memories of this school year for your student. Please email Anna Waldrup at anna.waldrup@ucps.k12.nc.us with any questions.

UCPS COLLEGE READINESS OPPORTUNITIES



Date: March 5, 2022

Time: 10:00am - 12:00pm

Location: CATA

For more info and to register visit: <http://bit.ly/UCPScollegeready>.

In partnership with Huntington Learning Center

Champ Camp Leadership Council

Union County Public Schools partners with Champ Camp to offer students the unique opportunity to work with highly successful community and business leaders from both the local and national level. Learn more about the [Champ Camp](#).

Champ Camp Leadership Council Spring 2022 Dates

- March 10, 2022
- April 7, 2022
- May 12, 2022



All sessions begin at 6:00 p.m. and last approximately 90 minutes. During each session, students will hear from two professionals. These professionals will share information about their careers, education pathways, and what a typical day is like in their career. After each speaker has shared,

collaborative activity focused on the [7 Key Soft Skills of Successful People](#), as defined by the World Economic Forum. Students who are interested in attending should register by visiting <https://bit.ly/champcampreg>.

SAT Prep Camp

Camp Includes:

- 2 in-person practice SAT tests
- Weekly virtual sessions
- Albert practice activities
- Incentives for completing activities

Each UCPS high school will be allotted an equal # of seats.

There will be a waitlist.

Priority will be given to students who can attend all practice exams and virtual sessions.

Students must be signed in to their UCPS Google account to access the registration .

Dates: April 2 - April 30

Location: Online & Cuthbertson HS

Time: Virtual Sessions 4:30 - 6:00pm

Application Link: bit.ly/SATspring22

AIG SUMMER OPPORTUNITIES

Summer Camps at UNCC for Rising 1st graders through High School Seniors

UNCC's Camps on Campus program is accepting applications for this summer. Below are links to more information about the program and schedules by grade bands.

Camps on Campus website is: <https://summercamps.charlotte.edu/>

High school schedule: <https://continuinged.uncc.edu/camps/scheduler/academy/>

Parents can contact: Kristy Wilson at Kristy.Wilson@uncc.edu or call 704-687-8900.

Belin-Blank Center Offers Secondary Research Student Training Program for Students in Grades 10-11

The Belin-Blank Center is offering an online summer program for students in grades 10-11. The Secondary Student Training Program (SSTP) is an opportunity that involves an application process, an acceptance process, and a fee.

If the student is an advanced high school student in grades 10-11, this highly selective and intensive summer research program may be for them. SSTP offers students rare access to elite opportunities that help realize their academic and professional goals. Students will conduct research under the mentorship of world-class faculty from a research-intensive university. Students will participate in classes and events that will stretch them as a researcher and scholar. Students will explore their interests, enhance their academic skills, and make meaningful friendships with intellectual peers.

Learn more about this program at the [SSTP website](#).

Parents can contact the Belin-Blank Center at summer@belinblank.org or call 800-336-6463

College of William and Mary Offering Virtual Saturday Enrichment Programs (SEP) Grades 2-9

Saturday Enrichment Program (SEP) is an academically challenging program with an emphasis on inquiry-based learning for students. The program is not meant to supplant the regular school curriculum; rather, it recognizes the importance of allowing able youngsters to explore additional specialized areas of science, mathematics, humanities, and arts. Course activities are compatible with the expected achievement of talented students at specific grade and age levels. Check their [website](#) for more information.

Please reach out to danielle.sullivan@ucps.k12.nc.us with any questions.

COUNSELING DEPARTMENT

School Counseling Webpage

<https://www.ucps.k12.nc.us/Page/3845>

College, Career, and 2022-2023 Course Selections

College, Career, and 2022-2023 Course Selections meetings began Wednesday, December 1st and will continue through April 1st. Students will input 2022-2023 course selections in PowerSchool on April 6th.

College Fair

Monday, March 28, 8:30am - 1:00pm

Open to the 2023 and 2024 graduating class, 2022 graduating class by invitation.

Details and visit schedule will be posted on the bulletin board in the cafeteria.

Parent registration link will be featured in the March 18 Warrior Weekly

SPCC Fall Registration

Students interested in SPCC courses next year should plan to attend an information session hosted by Ms. Rajan and Ms. Davis (SPCC). There will be a virtual information meeting on **Monday, April 4th at 6 pm**, as well as drop-in sessions for students during all 4 lunches on **Tuesday, April 5th**.

Please use this link to register for a session: <https://forms.gle/75NsNSx8hYZexbsMA>

UCPS PARENT EDUCATION SERIES



UCPS is offering five workshops to help parents with resources and tools to navigate tough situations. All parents are invited and encouraged to attend one or all of the following sessions.

UNDERSTANDING TRAUMA AND RESILIENCE

Feb. 17 at 6 p.m. - Cuthbertson High School

- Practical strategies to treat trauma.
- Principles for mitigating the impact of trauma as parents and a school community.

PRESENTER: Rachel Milbourn, LCSW - Sage Counseling

GRIEF

March 17 at 6 p.m. - Piedmont High School

- How to identify grief and types of losses?
- How to support grieving children?

PRESENTER: Judy Cline, MSW, LCSW - Bereavement Technician

SUICIDE AWARENESS

March 24 at 6 p.m. - Porter Ridge High School

- Warning signs and myths.
- Current national and state trends.

PRESENTERS: Dr. Tracey Carney - SEL Coordinator, Dr. Melissa Todd - School Psychologist
Susan Slattery-Rogers, MSW - School Social Worker, Belle Walker, MSW - Lead School Social Worker
and Kelly Whitley, M.A. - School Counselor

IRULES: WHAT EVERY TECH HEALTHY FAMILY NEEDS TO KNOW

April 28 at 6 p.m. - Forest Hills High School

- How to develop a tech-healthy family?
- Trends and resources to help navigate social media.

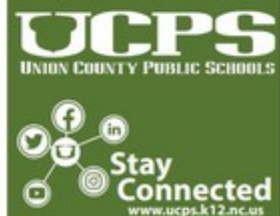
PRESENTER: Janell Burley Hoffman

FAMILY WELLNESS

May 19 at 6 p.m. - Sun Valley High School

- How to develop a wellness plan for my family?
- Resources/apps to help my family.

PRESENTER: Tracey A. Leitner, RN, BSN - Atrium Healthcare



ATHLETIC INFORMATION



We are excited to play in the 4A Basketball State Championship this Saturday at 7:30pm in the Dean Center on the campus of UNC! Below are some helpful links!

- UNC Visitor Guide- click [here](#) for entry points, spectator policies and a parking map!
- Tickets: \$15 must be purchased online [here](#).
- Parking: \$10- paid on site

THE WHS ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB NEEDS YOUR HELP!

The Weddington High School Athletic Booster Club is looking for volunteers for the 2022-2023 school year!

 We have openings for: President, Vice President, Sponsorship, Fundraising and Concessions. 

For more information, please email WHSABC President, Laurie Lewis @ whsabcpresident@gmail.com

Dear Community Members,

As we progress through the 2021-2022 athletic season, I would like to take this opportunity and reflect upon the many successes of our teams. It has been a great start to the year for our student-athletes and the future looks extremely promising!

With that said, I am contacting you to ask for your help. Our Athletic Booster Club is an integral part of our school community and serves as the fundraising arm of our athletic department. The current board members have done an outstanding job this year, making it one of the most successful years in school history. Unfortunately, some board and committee members will be leaving us as their children graduate from Weddington High School. As such, we are seeking interested individuals to assist in the following areas:

Immediate Openings:

Committee Chair – Fundraising

Committee Chair – Hospitality

Committee Chair – Sponsorship

Committee Chair – Concessions

If you, or anyone you know, is interested in serving the Athletic Booster Club, please reach out to WHSABC President Laurie Lewis (whsabcpresident@gmail.com) or myself. We would be more than happy to discuss the roles and requirements of each of the positions available for the next school year. As always, I appreciate your continued support of the Weddington Athletic Department and if I can ever be of any assistance, please let me know. We could not do it without you!

For up to date athletic information, please visit: <https://www.ucpsathletics.com/weddington>

To purchase game tickets, please visit: <https://www.ucpsathletics.com/weddingtontickets>

To view game schedules: <https://www.ucpsathletics.com/weddingtonschedules>

Questions about Athletics? Please contact our Athletic Director, Mr. Mike Hart, via email michael.hart@ucps.k12.nc.us or by calling the school.

[Coaches Directory](#)

[Eligibility Website](#)

Can't Attend Live? Watch it Live Instead!

Click [here](#) to learn more about our live stream partnership with the NFHS Network! Volleyball, wrestling, basketball, football, soccer and lacrosse will all be live streamed!

WEDDINGTON HIGH SCHOOL PTSO

Rising Sophomores, Rising Juniors, and Rising Seniors, please make sure you are looking at the Counseling page for information about meeting opportunities for next year!

SENIORS: If you are a WHS Senior and your family is part of the PTSO and you are planning to attend a North Carolina Community College or Trade School next school year, please consider applying for a \$1,000 scholarship. We would love to award 2 lucky seniors!! Copies of the Application can be found online at whsptso.com and in the Guidance office.

March Happenings:

March 18th Senior Event: ALL SENIORS- Fun-O-Cakes and Sr picture!

March 25th Staff Breakfast

Follow us on Facebook @weddingtonhighschoolptso (WHS PTSO) and Instagram @whs_ptso. Email us at w.d.h.s.ptso.nc@gmail.com

Remember to re-link your Harris Teeter, Publix, and Amazon Smiles account to WHS so you can be giving money back all year long while shopping for your family.



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