

# Warrior Weekly

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**Student Centered; Future Focused!**



**Weddington High School**

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## IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

Monday, June 9th: Class of 2025 Graduation (see below for more information)

**\*\*This will be the last Warrior Weekly of the 2024-2025 School Year\*\***



**HAVE  
A GREAT  
Summer!**

**SUMMER OFFICE HOURS:  
MON - THURS 8:00 AM-3:00 PM**

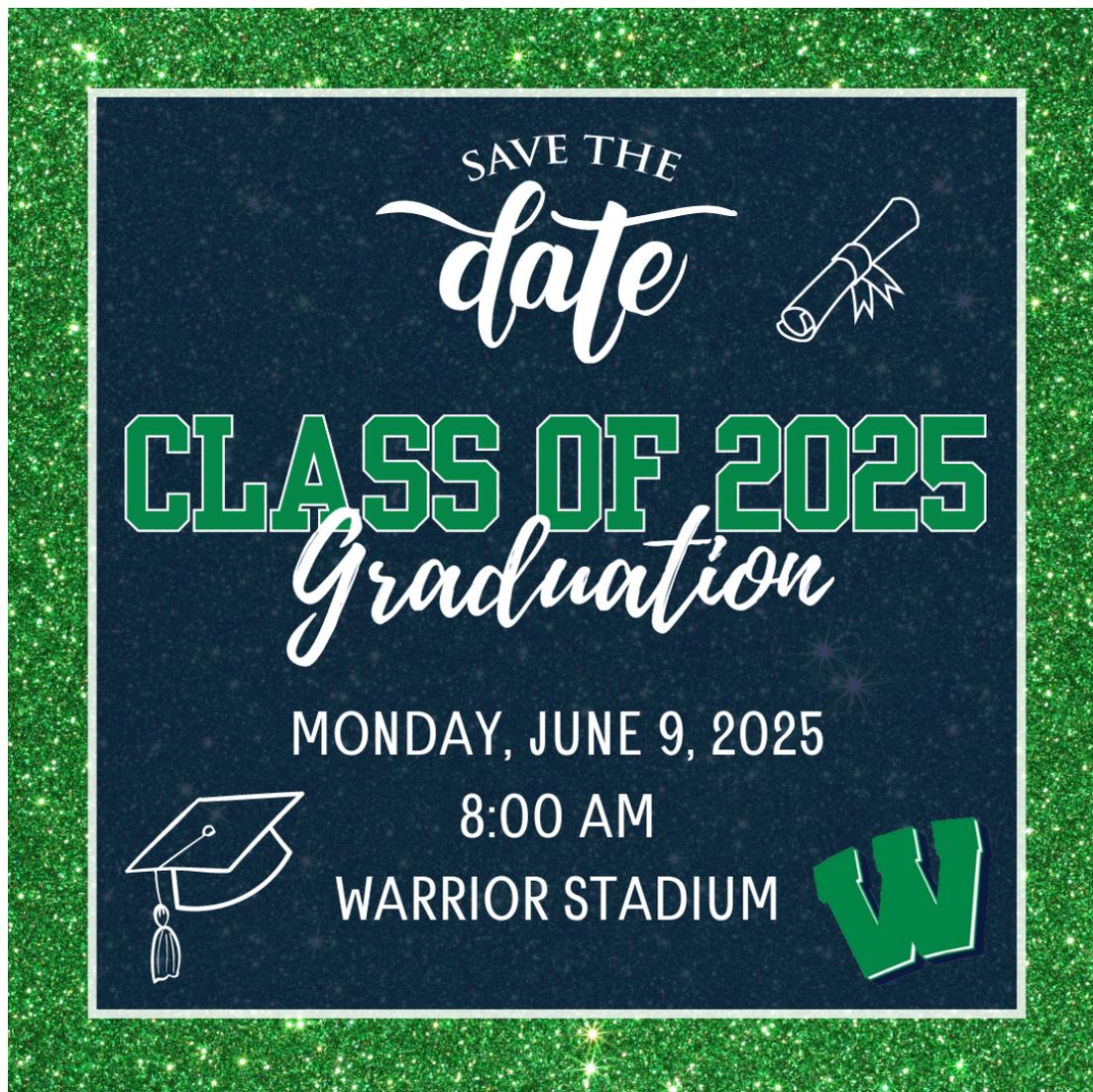
**THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED JUNE 30-JULY 4**



## CLASS OF 2025 GRADUATION

Click [HERE](#) for the graduation website.

[GRADUATION LIVE STREAM](#)



#### **Graduation Rehearsal: Friday, June 6th 12:00pm**

All seniors participating in commencement are required to attend rehearsal on Friday, June 6th at 12:00pm. Students should report to the auditorium starting at 11:15am for check-in. Students will receive their cords and 8 graduation tickets. All fees must be paid in full before students can receive their tickets. Students cannot pick up tickets for other students.

**IMPORTANT: Physical tickets MUST be presented at the commencement in order for entry. NO ADDITIONAL TICKETS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE.**

#### **Senior Collections:**

Seniors will not be allowed to receive their tickets if their school account has not been cleared. Please check PowerSchool to see if your student has any unpaid fees. If you have any questions regarding fees, please feel free to reach out to our bookkeeper, Tina Starnes at [tinat.starnes@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:tinat.starnes@ucps.k12.nc.us). She will be available during graduation rehearsal to assist students with clearing any outstanding fees. **It is extremely important that all seniors ensure that they have turned in all textbooks, library materials, Chromebook and charger, and any outstanding fees by the end of the day Friday, June 6th.**

#### **Graduation: Monday, June 9th at 8:00am**

Weddington High School's Class of 2025 Commencement will be held on Monday, June 9th at 8:00am at the high school stadium. Seniors are expected to arrive and line up by 7:15am. Students may park in the student parking lot as early as 7:00am, check in at the table in the gym, and then proceed to their assigned pod for line up. We will begin the processional at 7:45am. It is extremely

important that students arrive by 7:15am in order to ensure they are able to check in and be in line for the procession.

Dress code for students is business casual. Males should wear dress pants and a collared shirt and females a dress, skirt, or dress pants. Flip Flops should not be worn. Ladies should not wear heels as they will be walking on soft grass. Ladies should affix the white collar that comes with the graduation gown. All cords will be distributed at graduation rehearsal. Only school distributed cords may be worn. Graduation caps are not to be decorated.

#### **Inclement Weather Contingency Plan:**

Graduation will take place Monday, June 9th at 8:00am as planned, however, it is possible that there could be a minor delay or modification to the program depending on the weather. We will continue monitoring the weather throughout the week and over the weekend prior to graduation. Any delays to the 8:00am start time would be communicated Monday morning by no later than 6:00am via a connected text message and through our school social media platforms. Students, parents, and guests are encouraged to follow Weddington High School social media the morning of graduation for any updates.

Instagram, Facebook, & Twitter: WeddingtonHSNC

#### **Graduation Live Stream:**

[CLASS OF 2025 GRADUATION LIVE STREAM](#)

#### **Graduation Tickets:**

Each graduating senior will receive 8 tickets to the ceremony. **Each student will receive the 8 physical tickets on rehearsal day.** Students are more than welcome to ask other students for any unused tickets. However, WHS will not facilitate this process or provide additional tickets. There will be three entry points for all guests: Weddington Middle School, Weddington Elementary School, and the Weddington High School student lot.

You may also click [HERE](#) for additional graduation event directions including parking information.

All guests will need a ticket in order to attend. Children who are 5 years and younger do not need a ticket, however, they must sit on a parents lap. We ask that you please have your paper ticket ready upon arriving at the ticket booth. The gates will open at 7:00am. All guests are encouraged to arrive early to ensure you get a parking spot and find a seat prior to the ceremony beginning promptly at 8:00am.

#### **Safety Protocols for UCPS Events:**

**Per UCPS safety protocols, only clear bags, no larger than 4.5" x 6.5" will be allowed into graduation. All guests are asked to plan accordingly as this will be enforced.** After consulting with law enforcement and district officials, UCPS reserves the right to utilize body scanners at events. Metal detectors will be used at all stadium entrances. Please plan your arrival accordingly.

#### **Graduation Parking:**

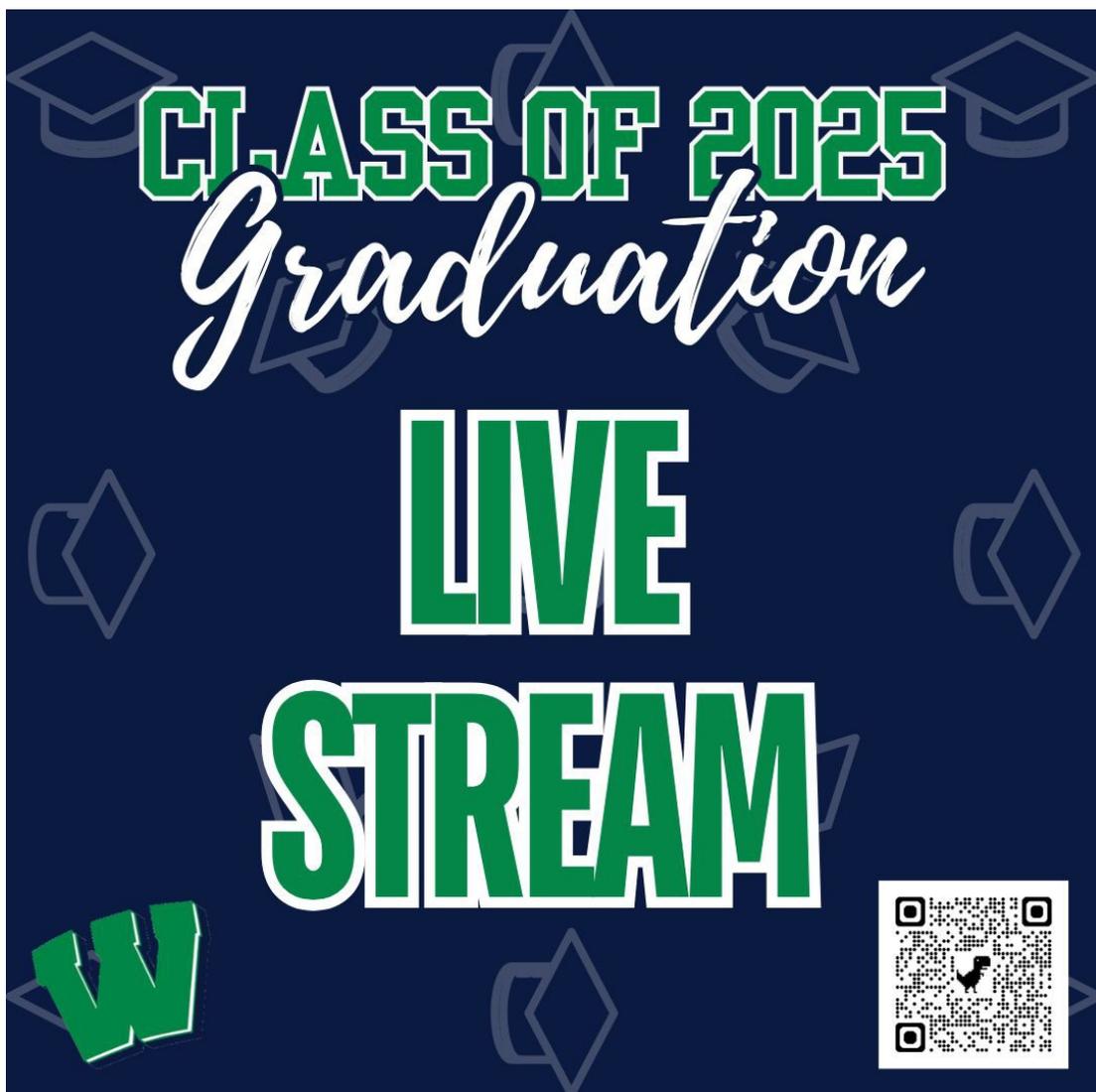
Parking is available at Weddington Elementary, Weddington Middle and Weddington High School. We highly encourage guests to park at the elementary and middle school lots due to their close proximity.

Although there are handicap parking spots at each of the parking locations, all individuals requiring additional assistance are asked to park at Weddington Middle School. There will be a golf cart shuttle for those who need assistance. Handicap loading/unloading will occur in the handicap spots in the front middle school lot.

Due to the number of guests attending graduation, parking will be limited. Families are encouraged to carpool and maximize the number of guests per vehicle.

### **GRADUATION LIVE STREAM**

Don't miss this special moment—tune in to the live stream and cheer on our amazing graduates as they cross the stage and step into their next chapter. Scan the QR code below to watch from anywhere and be part of the celebration!



## **WEDDINGTON HIGH SCHOOL PTSO**

You can help pave the way for everyone to experience the Weddington Way! Click [HERE](#) to go to WHS PTSO website and join today!

As we plan for the upcoming 2025-2026 school year, the Weddington High School PTSO is seeking dedicated individuals to join our board. Serving on the board is a rewarding opportunity to support

our students, teachers, and staff, and to contribute to the Weddington school community. Anyone interested in serving on the Weddington High School PTSO board, please reach out to us at [w.d.h.s.ptso.nc@gmail.com](mailto:w.d.h.s.ptso.nc@gmail.com). We would be delighted to provide more information and discuss how you can get involved.

Thank you for your continued support and commitment to our schools.

<https://weddingtonhsptso.membershiptoolkit.com/home>



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**2025-2026 STUDENT PARKING**



# 2025-2026

# STUDENT PARKING

## REGISTRATION OPENS:

- **SENIORS:** MONDAY, JULY 14TH AT 10:00AM THROUGH SUNDAY, JULY 20TH AT 5:00PM
- **JUNIORS:** A LOTTERY SYSTEM WILL BE IMPLEMENTED. THE LOTTERY WILL OPEN MONDAY, JULY 21ST AT 10:00AM THROUGH SUNDAY, JULY 27TH AT 5:00PM



scan here for the  
student parking info  
page!



## INFINITE CAMPUS

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## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

**Q. Will my PowerSchool parent account username/password transfer to Infinite Campus?**

A. No. Parents will need to create a new account with Infinite Campus.

**Q. When will parents have access to Infinite Campus?**

A. Parents will receive an email in mid to late July with information on how to create an account and then gain access to their student's information.

**Q. Will I need an account for each student?**

A. Parents will only need one account to see their student's information.

**Q. Will students receive a new ID number?**

A. No, student ID numbers will not change.

**Q. How will parents access the new portal?**

A. The Infinite Campus portal can be accessed via a cell phone or computer.

**Q. What can parents do to help with the transition?**

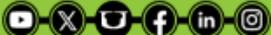
A. If your contact information has changed this school year, contact your child's school to update your address and contact information.

**Q. What happens if my contact information changes this summer?**

A. Parents will have the option to change their contact information and emergency contacts when the parent portal opens.

**Q. When will more information become available about the parent portal?**

A. Parents will receive more details during open houses, back-to-school events and in school newsletters and emails.

**STAY CONNECTED**  [www.ucps.k12.nc.us](http://www.ucps.k12.nc.us)

## CONRATULATIONS, WARRIORS!

Congratulations to Sara Mikes, Claire Perreault and Amelia Burns, who were recognized by US Congressman Mark Harris of the 8th District of North Carolina. These students were recognized for their Congressional Art entries during a special reception held by Mark Harris.

# Congratulations!



**SARA MIKES**  
Honorable Mention



**CLAIRE PERREAULT**  
Honorable Mention



**AMELIA BURNS**

## SUMMER MEALS

UNION COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

# Summer MEALS

UCPS will offer **FREE** lunch meals at

**MONROE MIDDLE**

June 16 – August 7  
Monday – Thursday  
11 a.m. – 1 p.m.  
Dine-in only

**MARSHVILLE ELEMENTARY**  
**ROCKY RIVER ELEMENTARY**

June 16 – August 7  
Monday – Thursday  
11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.  
Curbside pick-up only  
A breakfast and one additional meal will be  
distributed on Thursdays.

All sites will be closed on Fridays and June 19.

**Open to any child 18 years old or younger.**

Atrium Health Union will offer free lunch for kids under 18 for the following weeks:  
August 11 – 22

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## COUNSELING DEPARTMENT

- **CLASS OF 2026**

1. **Brag Sheet** - please refer to your Scoir account to complete the Brag Sheet. The Brag Sheet will serve as the foundation of college applications, admission essays, personal statements, and when preparing for interviews. Once logged into Scoir, click on the three lines in the top right-hand corner, scroll down, and select "surveys" to begin. Scoir will automatically save your work while in progress. Do NOT hit "submit" until the entire survey is finished. Once submitted, the information shared will be accessible via the respective Scoir account. A completed Brag Sheet is required of any student requesting a letter of recommendation from a WHS teacher and/or counselor. No brag sheet = no letter.

2. **Scoir** - Parents! Ask your child to invite you to Scoir! To learn more about Scoir, [https://www.youtube.com/results?search\\_query=scoir](https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=scoir)

3. **TA (Teacher Assistant)** - Students who would like to TA either first or second semester need to speak with the teacher they would like to TA for. If the teacher approves, the teacher will complete the TA application. Once complete and submitted, the administration will approve/deny the request. If approved, the data manager creates a TA section for the teacher and the counselor withdraws the student from a course to meet the request. This takes place over the summer and into the first 10 days of the school year.

4. **FLEX** - The FLEX day option will be available during semester two. To be eligible for FLEX, students must complete the FLEX application at the following link, <https://forms.gle/fp2jJF4rwxpRo9s48>. After submitting the form, counselors will review the application, student transcript, and completed graduation requirements. If approved, the data manager creates a FLEX section, and the counselor withdraws the student from a course(s) specified by the student. This process takes place over the summer and into the first 10 days of the school year.

**5. Summer**

Email your counselor to set up a college conversation this summer!

**6. Dates**

Check the school website for updates.

## **IMPORTANT 2026 SENIOR PORTRAIT**

The Class of 2026 Senior Portrait Booking is now open! CADY is our school's exclusive senior photographer and school pictures are going to be a little different this year. In order for your child to be in their senior yearbook, you must have their portrait taken with them. This is a very busy year so ideally, you'll book your CADY session this summer. Don't worry though, CADY specializes in senior portraits with several different session options to fit every need. Their state-of-the-art studios have endless scene options, changing rooms, and a professional staff. Their weekend schedules fill up fast, so book early to secure your spot! Your senior portrait **must be taken by December 5, 2026** to be included in the yearbook.

Get your photos for your family, grad announcements, senior yearbook ads, and more. Remember – **Book early!** Don't let your senior get left out of the yearbook. Visit [cady.com/schedule](http://cady.com/schedule) to book

now.

Attached are FAQs and Senior session options

Final prints and digital images are **NOT** included in session fee. [Learn more.](#)

	<b>Elite Unlimited</b> As Low as \$299	<b>Elite</b> As Low as \$199	<b>Most Popular</b> As Low as \$129	<b>Legacy</b> As Low as \$79	<b>Standard</b> As Low as \$59	<b>Simple</b> As Low as \$29
Yearbook Photo(s) ◊	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Private Photographer	✓	✓	–	–	–	–
Studio Scenes	All	All	4	3	2	1
Dry Hair Styling	✓	+\$45.99	+\$45.99	–	–	–
Make-Up Artist	✓	+\$59.99	+\$59.99	–	–	–
Choose Your Destination Scene	✓	+\$129.99	–	–	–	–
Front of the Line Pass	✓	✓	–	–	–	–
Outdoor Scene at the Studio	✓	✓	✓	+\$29.99	+\$29.99	+\$29.99
Premier Retouching	✓	✓	–	–	–	–
Free Digitals †	2	2	1	–	–	–
Credit Towards Collections ‡	\$200	\$200	\$100	–	–	–
<u>Portraits for Preview</u>	95 - 105	60 - 75	45 - 50	20	15	10
<u>Packages Starting at</u>	\$199	\$199	\$179	\$179	\$179	\$179



Senior-FAQs.pdf

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## 2024-2025 TECHNOLOGY FEE

Haven't paid your 2024-2025 technology fee yet? No problem! Scan the QR code below. If you wish to send in a check, please note that there is an additional \$1.55 processing fee, totaling \$31.55. All checks submitted without the additional fee will be returned.

## NEED TO PAY YOUR 2024-2025 TECHNOLOGY FEE?

scan the QR  
code here!



## NEED TO PAY A TECHNOLOGY FEE? FROM A PREVIOUS YEAR?



scan the QR  
code here!

## VISITORS/DROP OFFS

All visitors to the school must enter through the front doors of the school using the video doorbell system. All visitors must check in at the main office during the hours of 7:30 am and 4:00 pm, which are the main office hours on days that school is in session.

### Forgotten Items/Drop Offs/Deliveries:

- items can be placed on the drop-off cart located outside the front doors
- items will be brought inside before the end of each block and placed on the table in the foyer
- please notify your student that their item has been dropped off - WE WILL NOT CALL STUDENTS OUT OF CLASS TO RETRIEVE ITEMS
- students can retrieve items in between class periods ONLY - they will not be permitted to go outside
- lunches can be placed inside the bin, and will be brought in before the end of each block and before the start of each lunch period
- PLEASE NOTE: items such as Chromebooks, phones, headphones, ear buds, etc., should NOT be left on the cart outside, and should be brought inside to the drop-off table

## ATHLETIC INFORMATION



# WEDDINGTON WARRIORS

## 2025 SUMMER CAMPS

Registration  
information coming  
soon!

SAVE THE DATE!  
2025

SUMMER CAMPS



JUNE 23-26 CHEER  
MS 9-11:30, ES 1-4

JUNE 16-19 SOCCER

JUNE 16-19 BASEBALL  
JUNE 23-26

JUNE 16-19 BASKETBALL  
JUNE 23-26

JUNE 16-19 FOOTBALL



### SPIRIT WEAR AVAILABLE YEAR-ROUND!

Hey warriors - did you know that we offer SPIRITWEAR year-round? Many of our items are available for purchase ANY TIME! Tshirts, hoodies, pj pants, sweats, hats, etc. are available NOW for immediate pickup. Email [whsabcspiritwear@gmail.com](mailto:whsabcspiritwear@gmail.com) or text 704-806-6433 to get yours today!

### UCPS EVENT PROTOCOL

# ! 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.



## Athletic Department Update

Fall Sports are underway and off to a great start! Be sure to come out and cheer on the Warriors!

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

Please visit <https://weddingtonathleticzone.com/> for up to date information!

[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!

**LOOKING FOR A PREVIOUS WARRIOR WEEKLY? CLICK HERE!**



**Jeff Kraftson**

Jeff is using Smore to create beautiful newsletters



3A Men's Tennis Champions  
2017  
NCHSAA  
ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

1A/2A/3A Men's Lacrosse Champions  
2017  
NCHSAA  
ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

3AA State Football Champions  
2016  
NCHSAA  
ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

3A Women's Soccer Champions  
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