

Warrior Weekly

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Weddington High School

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IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

Friday, November 15th: End of Grading Period, Term 2

Saturday, November 16th: Fall Theatre Production (see below for more information)

Wednesday, November 20th: Senior Picture Makeup Day (see below for more information)

Saturday, November 23rd: ACT/SAT Blitz (see below for more information)

Monday, November 25th: Report Cards Distributed

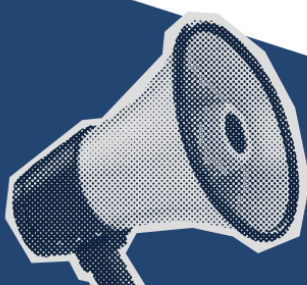
Wednesday, November 27th - Friday, November 29th: Thanksgiving Break - no school

ATTENDANCE



IMPORTANT ATTENDANCE ANNOUNCEMENT

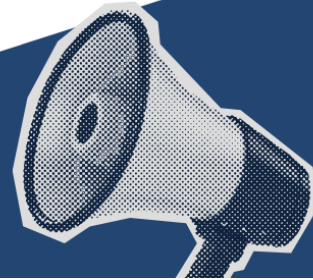
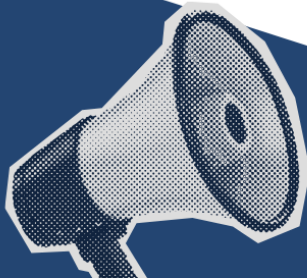
We will no longer be accepting paper notes or emails to excuse absences. All doctor and parent notes need to be uploaded into the Student Absence Portal. ALL PARENTS must create an account. Scan the QR code below, or click "Quick Links" on the WHS home page.





EARLY DISMISSALS

- On the occasions that you need your student to be dismissed early, a prior written note will be **REQUIRED**. The note must be brought to the front office prior to the beginning of school and should include the following information:
 - student's first and last name
 - date and time of dismissal
 - parent signature
- In the event a student does not have a dismissal note, and needs to leave school early, a parent will need to come into the school to sign them out. We are no longer accepting emails for dismissals.



STUDENT ABSENCE PORTAL

****Today marks the end of the T2 grading period and is the last day to submit parent illness/injury notes.****


In the event your child is absent from school due to illness/injury, please upload your documentation to the [Student Absence Portal](#). The proper documentation **MUST** be provided in order to excuse the absence. A phone call to the school, stating your student is absent, is not necessary. Remember, parent notes will only be accepted during the current 6-week grading period, of the absent day.


ATTENDANCE RECOVERY



- Attendance Recovery will be held at the end of each 6 weeks.
- Attendance Recovery is for any student with 8 or more absences during the 6-wk grading period (excused, unexcused or OSS). Students and parents will be notified by Mrs. Yost if attendance recovery is required.
- Students will be required to come in for Attendance Recovery on the teacher workday following that 6-week grading period.
- The WHS Attendance Counselor will oversee this process and will supervise the students during recovery.
- They will be required to work on any outstanding assignments/make-up work from the 6-week grading period.

**** If the student does not complete the required recovery, they will be in danger of failing the course.**

ACT/SAT BLITZ

A promotional poster for the ACT/SAT Blitz event. The poster has a green and yellow color scheme. At the top left is the Union County Public Schools logo. To its right, it says "2024-2025 College Readiness Series" with social media handles @UCPSCollegePrep and ucpscollegeready. The main title "ACT/SAT Blitz" is in large green letters. Below it, the date "Saturday, November 23, 2024" and time "10 AM - 12 PM" are listed, followed by the location "Monroe High School". A red line of text says "To register visit: bit.ly/ACT-SAT-Blitz". Below that, it says "Learn differences between the two tests and strategies for success on both! UCPS will be joined by our partners from Huntington Learning Center Weddington. This event is for students only." At the bottom is the Huntington Learning Center logo.

 **2024-2025**
College Readiness Series


 @UCPSCollegePrep  ucpscollegeready

ACT/SAT Blitz

Saturday, November 23, 2024
10 AM - 12 PM
Monroe High School

To register visit: bit.ly/ACT-SAT-Blitz

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and strategies for success on both!**
**UCPS will be joined by our partners from
Huntington Learning Center Weddington.**
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 **Huntington**
LEARNING CENTER®

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!

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!

All you need to do is create an account, verify your email address and then explore ALL of the opportunities for your involvement. In addition to your Membership we have Invest in Excellence (giving above and beyond without any fundraising), volunteer opportunities, and the option to link up to our donation partners such as Harris Teeter, Publix, and Amazon Smiles, a calendar, and more!!

November Senior Breakfast-

Friday 11/22 @ 7:20 a.m. (this is only for seniors who signed up for Senior Events through the PTSO)

If you signed up to donate an item for the Senior Breakfast, please drop off to the office by Wednesday 11/20 and label it "Senior Breakfast." Thanks for your donations!

PIES PIES PIES!!

Each year a tradition of Warrior thanksgiving is offering a Pie to *each* staff member at Weddington High School, including our bus drivers! We need about 150 pies. The PTSO will have a cart and volunteers collection the pies at drop off Monday and Tuesday mornings Nov 25th and 26th. If your

child rides the bus they can simply drop it off in the front office! We are happy to shop for you if you would like to donate through Venmo and note that it is for Pies. Please see both the SUG and the Venmo QR code below:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C044AACAA2CA6FE3-52909525-thanksgiving#/>

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Email us at w.d.h.s.ptso.nc@gmail.com.



WHS PTSO

@WHSPTSO



venmo

Scan QR code for payment

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

WHS STUDENT HANDBOOK

Parents, we need your help in reminding students of the importance of being aware of, and complying with, the dress code which can be found on page 13 and 14 of the [student handbook](#). Although we understand that style trends are ever changing and this is often reflected in the clothes that stores are selling, it is important that students understand that there is a different standard for what should be worn during school and what they wear outside of school. Thank you for your assistance in reinforcing this with your child.

COUNSELING DEPARTMENT

Counseling Department Information

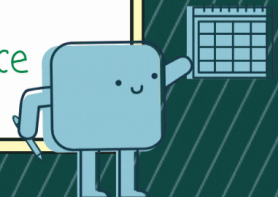
Please visit the [WHS Counseling Department webpage](#) for information and resources.

SEMESTER 2 SCHEDULE CHANGES

SPCC
WEEK OF
NOV 18

**SCHEDULE CHANGE
REQUEST FORM**
opens at 3:00
on 1/21/25

1. changes are based on COURSE REQUESTS and what the master schedule allows
2. MONITOR POWERSCHOOL FOR CHANGES
3. Only ONE schedule change request submission per student
4. Requests CANNOT be edited once submitted



SCHEDULE CHANGES - SEMESTER 2

ELECTIVE COURSES COMMONLY OFFERED AT WHS

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1bRZygN-JR1feXPrfpZFx5qTc3gcWxyEvytsXaMvD2vl/edit?usp=sharing>

SCHEDULE CHANGE REQUEST FORM - LIVE ON 1/21 @ 3:00 PM

<https://forms.gle/5Mb1BzTBo18ugBsu6>

Scoir <https://www.ucps.k12.nc.us/Page/7558>

Please reference the Scoir folder in the School Counseling Canvas page for a menu of detailed information and videos around setting up an account, downloading the app., viewing the calendar, etc.

Senior Conferences

Senior Conferences have begun. Email your counselor to set up an apt. to discuss college essays, applications, Scoir, Common App., and much more!

FAFSA

FAFSA, <https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa>. To best prepare, review resources found at financialaidtoolkit.ed.gov.

College Visits

On campus college visits are back! Wondering who will be on campus this week? Check the board in the cafeteria. Semester one visits are open to Seniors and Juniors.

Register in Scoir today!

1. Log into Scoir
2. Click on 3 lines in top right corner
3. Click on "Events and Deadlines"
4. Search for college of interest & sign up
5. Visits are in the Counseling Commons

UCPS COLLEGE READINESS SERIES



2024-2025 College Readiness Series

@UCPSCollegePrep ucpscollegeprep

Scoir for Seniors	August 27, 2024	Webinar
College Entrance Exams 101	September 17, 2024	Webinar
Union County College Fair	October 13, 2024	CATA
FAFSA Completion Support	November 7, 2024	Monroe branch of the Union County Library
Getting Ready for College	November 16, 2024	Wingate University
ACT/SAT Blitz	November 23, 2024	Location TBD
High School Programs Expo	December 7, 2024	Union County Ag Center (hosted by CTE)
ACT Blitz	February 1, 2025	Location TBD
College Transition for Students with IEPs and 504s	February 4, 2025	Webinar
Practice ACT Series	February 8, 2025 and March 1, 2025	Location TBD
SAT Blitz	March 22, 2025	Location TBD
Practice SAT Series	March 29, 2025 and April 12, 2025	Location TBD
What Makes a Good College Essay?	May 13, 2025	Webinar

For more information and to register, visit
<https://bit.ly/collegereadysessions>.

WHS FALL THEATRE PRODUCTION

Come check out the Wedding High School Theater department's Fall production, The Play That Goes Wrong. They will be performing on Wednesday, November 13thnd at 7:00 pm, Thursday, November 14th and Saturday, November 16th at 1:00 and 7:00 pm. This will be an amazing show filled with comedy - you don't want to miss out! Click [here](#) for tickets or scan the QR code below.

Weddington High School Presents

THE PLAY THAT GOES WRONG

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13 @ 7:00 PM

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14 @ 7:00 PM

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16 @ 1:00 & 7:00 PM

WHS TALENT SHOW

IT'S BACK!! Are you ready to shine? Sign up to perform in our Talent Show! Whether you sing, dance, act, or have a unique skill to share, we want to see what you've got! This is your chance to take the stage and impress the audience.

📅 Registration Deadline: December 9

🕒 Performance Date: Wednesday, December 18, 6:30 pm

Don't miss this opportunity to share your passion and creativity! [CLICK HERE](#) to sign up now and be part of an unforgettable night! 🎤🎶

GET YOUR ACTS TOGETHER FOR A TALENT SHOW

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2024
6:30 PM



SUBMISSIONS DUE BY 12/9



2024-2025 YEARBOOK

With a start of a new school year, the 2024-2025 yearbook staff is already hard at work capturing the first few days of school. Our staff invites you to follow the yearbook Instagram page @whsyearbook24_25 to help make this year's book the best yet in school history.

Purchase your yearbook today to get it at the lowest price of the year. Click [here](#) to purchase this year's book.



CLASS OF 2025



Weddington High School's Class of 2025 Commencement will be held on Monday, June 9th at 8:00am at Warrior Stadium. Additional details regarding graduation, including the process for claiming tickets, will be shared with seniors and their parents in late April.

SENIOR PICTURES

1. Between now and December 2nd you can book a session at Cady studios by visiting their website at <https://store.cady.com/>. There are several different packages available ranging in a

variety of prices. The basic session package is \$30 and includes several poses of the senior tux/drape yearbook photo, cap/gown photo, and 1 scene of your choice. With this basic package, seniors will also be able to select the tux/drape photo they want to be included in the yearbook.

2. Seniors who have not scheduled their senior portrait session with Cady already will have their yearbook only picture taken on Wednesday, November 20 in the media center. The schedule is posted in school wide Canvas and on the bulletin board outside the media center. Please check the schedule for your appointment time.

****Seniors who do not get their senior picture taken by December 2nd, 2024 will not be included in the yearbook.**



Last Chance!!

SENIOR MAKEUP PICTURE DAY

Wed, Nov 20th in the Media Center

All seniors who have not scheduled a session will receive an appointment time by Fri, Nov 1st.

SENIOR RECOGNITION ADS

The last day to purchase a senior ad for your senior is Monday, December 9th. Go to jostens.com today to purchase this special ad for your senior.

Deadline 1

9/30/2024

Full Page — \$350

1/2 Page — \$200

1/4 Page — \$150

Deadline 2

10/28/2024

Full Page — \$400

1/2 Page — \$225

1/4 Page — \$175

Deadline 3

12/9/2024

Full Page — \$450

1/2 Page — \$250

1/4 Page — \$200

ATHLETIC INFORMATION



WEDDINGTON WARRIORS

SPIRIT WEAR SALE!

Hey Warriors - the online Spiritwear store is open now through November 18. Check out all the sport-specific items as well as our NEW GREEN MACHINE long sleeve shirts and hoodies. After all, it's sweatshirt season! And it's not too early to be thinking about holiday gifts!

All orders will be delivered by the first week in December.

SPIRIT WEAR SALE!



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 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!



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