



# Warrior Weekly

Monday, April 24, 2017

"The mission of Weddington High School is to empower all students to meet their full potential so that they become knowledgeable, responsible, ethical young adults who are prepared to meet life's challenges and responsibilities."

*WHS – A Culture of Excellence!*

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## **Stay Connected**

We invite you to stay connected with Weddington High School on **Facebook** (Weddington High School) or on **Twitter** (#WHSWarriors). We also encourage you to monitor your **Naviance** accounts for information on college and career planning.

Daily announcements and information are shared, so please follow us so you do not miss any Weddington High School news! We also

update our school **website** daily at <http://www.ucps.k12.nc.us/Domain/55>

## Special Recognition

- Congratulations to all students who participated in Footloose! Bravo to all involved.
- Good luck to all DECA competitors who will participate in DECA Nationals in San Diego, CA this week!
- Good luck to our Olympians who will compete in Special Olympics this week! Bring home the Gold!
- Congratulations to Mrs. DiFronzo who was recognized as our 2017-2018 Teacher of the Year this past Thursday at Rolling Hills Country Club!

## Drop Off / Pick Up Reminders

Safety is our primary priority at Weddington High School. In an effort to better to keep our stakeholders safe, please **DO NOT** enter through the exits and exit through entrances. Not only is this a dangerous option it works to instill negative driving behaviors in our teenage students.

Additionally, we ask that you refrain from picking up/dropping of students in the student parking lot in the morning and afternoon. Every additional car that we add to the lot statistically increases the likelihood of an incident. Please help us out!

Thank you for your patience as our roofing project is nearing its end. The contractor assures us that our damaged pavement will be better than new soon! Our students and staff have a drier and safer learning environment as a result of the extensive work to replace the aging roofing. Again, thank you for your patience!

## **2016 – 2017 School Calendar and Events**

For the detailed UCPS Calendar please click [here](#). Also, parents are encouraged to view the Weddington High School calendar found [here](#). Please refer to the dates below for a schedule of this week's events.

### **Monday April 24**

10:00 AM Men's Golf Conference Tournament @ Monroe Country Club  
5:00 PM JV/V Women's Lacrosse @ Cuthbertson  
7:00 PM Athletic Booster Club Meeting (Media Center)

### **Tuesday April 25**

4:00 PM Track Meet (Home)  
4:30 PM JV/V Women's Soccer @ Piedmont  
4:30 PM JV/V Baseball vs. Marvin Ridge (Home)  
5:30 PM Varsity Softball vs. Anson (Senior Night) (Home)

### **Wednesday April 26**

9:00 AM Special Olympics @ Forest Hills High School  
4:30 PM JV/V Baseball @ Marvin Ridge  
4:30 PM Softball @ Anson

### **Thursday April 27**

9:00 AM Men's Tennis Conference Tournament (Home)  
4:30 PM JV/V Women's Soccer vs. Sun Valley (Home)

### **Friday April 28**

3:30 PM End of the 5th Grading Period  
4:30 PM JV/V Baseball vs. Marvin Ridge (Senior Night) (Home)  
6:00 PM Women's Lacrosse vs. Marvin Ridge (Senior Night) (Home)  
6:30 PM Softball @ Marvin Ridge  
7:00 PM Varsity Women's Soccer @ Charlotte Latin

### **Saturday April 29**

9:00 AM JROTC Drill Meet (Home)

### **Upcoming Events**

May 1-12 AP Exams  
May 4 Spring Band Concert  
May 10 Report Card Distribution  
May 10-11 Spring Chorus Concert  
May 13 Prom– Ritz Carlton  
May 18 Excelsior Breakfast  
May 22-26 Senior Week  
May 29 Memorial Day– No School  
May 31 Underclassman Yearbook Distribution  
June 1 Athletic Department Banquet  
June 9 Last Day of School for Students  
June 10 Graduation @ Winthrop (4PM)

## **Bell Schedule**

Parents are reminded to have students at school **prior to 8 AM** so that all learners are in their respective classes and prepared for the start of the instructional day. Students who accrue excessive tardies run the risk of violating the Student Code of Conduct and will receive the appropriate consequence as outlined in the student handbook. The bell schedule for the 2016-2017 school year is as follows:

<b><u>Regular Bell Schedule</u></b>		<b><u>Wednesday Bell Schedule</u></b>	
1st Block	8:00-9:33	1st Block	8:30-9:53
2nd Block	9:39-11:11	2nd Block	9:59-11:22
3rd Block	11:17-1:17	3rd Block	11:28-1:28
4th Block	1:23-2:55	4th Block	1:34-2:55

## **Senior News**

Senior Video: Attention Seniors! Our class officers would like to make a slideshow of students from this year's senior class. In order to do this, we need your help! Please submit any pictures you would like to have considered for the video via email to [seniorstugo17@gmail.com](mailto:seniorstugo17@gmail.com). Please consider submitting no more than 5 pictures from ANY age! We would like to display a variety of ages, groups, and activities. Pictures should also be school appropriate and must contain the name of the student(s) on each picture. Submission of your picture(s) is not a guarantee that your picture(s) will be in the video. Please understand that we will not include 'selfies' or blurry/low resolution pictures. While we will do our best to include everyone, we can only include pictures that are **submitted by April 21st**, so please be sure to submit at least one picture!

Prom: This year's Junior/Senior Prom will be held on Saturday, May 13 at The Ritz Carlton Hotel. Students who are eligible to attend may purchase tickets in the Media Center. Please visit our website for more information.

Graduation: Commencement for the class of 2017 will be held at 4 p.m. on Saturday, June 10 at Winthrop Coliseum. Doors will open to guests at 3:15 p.m. Please continue to monitor our website and newsletter for additional information and upcoming end-of-year senior activities.

## **Attendance Reminders**

As we begin the next grading period, please take a moment & review some of these helpful attendance reminders:

Students not in class at the start of the instructional day (8:00 AM) will be marked tardy.

Students who accrue four tardies in any class are subject to the consequences outlined in the student handbook.

Absences are accumulated on a class-by-class basis. **Students who accrue more than 7 absences in a class are at risk of not receiving credit unless they participate in credit recovery.**

All absences count toward the above-mentioned 7 absences. Absences will be counted as unexcused until a note specifying the reason for the absence has been provided to the Attendance Counselor.

Documentation specifying the reason for an absence should be presented to the Attendance Counselor as soon as the student returns to school.

Only parent/guardians or emergency contacts will be allowed to check out students from school.

Students must sign in or out with the main office when they arrive late or leave early.

Students who wish to leave early must present a signed parent note to main office prior to 8 AM.

The student will be issued an early dismissal notice once the note has been verified.

Please contact our Attendance Counselor, Ms. Amy Miller ([amyw.miller@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:amyw.miller@ucps.k12.nc.us)), with questions.

## **Parent Portal & PowerSchool Apps**

The Parent Portal feature of PowerSchool is currently active and we would like to encourage you to stay abreast of your student's academic progress in his/her courses. Parent portal allows parents to monitor their student's academic progress and attendance throughout the grading period. Please contact our Data Manager, Ms. Donna Callahan ([donna.callahan@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:donna.callahan@ucps.k12.nc.us)), if you need to obtain a login ID and password or if you need assistance accessing this service.

If you are interested in adding the PowerSchool Applications to your mobile device, click [here](#) for the Parent App, and click [here](#) for the Student App.

## **Parking Passes**

Parking passes for the 2016-2017 school year can still be purchased from Weddington High School. Students must apply in person and will need to bring the following items for a parking permit:

- Completed Parking Permit Application with student and parent/guardian signatures available [here](#)

- Valid Driver's License

- Vehicle Registration and Proof of Insurance for each vehicle being registered

- Cash or check in the amount of \$25. Checks should be made payable to Weddington High School.

- Cars parking on campus without displaying the proper permit are subject to tow.

Please contact Mr. Daniel Ruschak with any questions ([daniel.ruschak@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:daniel.ruschak@ucps.k12.nc.us)).

## **PTSO News**

### **PTSO NC Community College Scholarship**

The WHS PTSO NC Community College Scholarship application is now available. If your student is considering taking a class this summer or continuing at community college, they are a candidate for this scholarship. The application is due **Monday, April 24. Please turn into the PTSO scholarship drop box in the office.**

### **Invest in Excellence**

Thank you, thank you, thank you for your incredibly generous support of WHS academics by PTSO's Invest in Excellence campaign. Since your Invest dollars support ACADEMICS ONLY, you are a part of helping Weddington remain a strong academic school. If you would still like to be a part of this campaign, make your donation using the attached form, or go to [www.whsptso.com](http://www.whsptso.com).

### **PTSO Outreach**

The PTSO is pleased to support WHS clubs, classes, & teams by promoting their programs, fundraisers, & outreach activities! Visit <http://www.whsptso.com/outreach.html> to see how you can participate.

### **Are You Linked?**

If you shop at Harris Teeter please link your cards to our school! Our school identification is 4323 and Harris Teeter donates a portion of all proceeds to our school. **Note: you must relink your card every year.**

### **Volunteers**

Parents who wish to be a part of the PTSO volunteer list should contact Torrie Newman at ([torrie@newmansplace.com](mailto:torrie@newmansplace.com)).