



# Warrior Weekly

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*Student Centered, Future Focused!*

## 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 frequently update our website at <https://www.ucps.k12.nc.us/Domain/55>

## Weekly School Calendar of Events

Date	Time	Event
Monday, December 16 – Friday, December 20		<b>HOLIDAY SPIRIT WEEK</b>
Tuesday, December 17	3:00 PM 4:00 PM	College App Lab JV and V Basketball @ Sun Valley (Away)
Wed., December 18	3:00 PM 3:45 PM	College App Lab Track Meet (Home)
Thursday, December 19	10:00 AM	Coffee with Counselors
Friday, December 20	4:00 PM	JV and V Basketball vs. Catholic (Home)
Saturday, December 21	3:00 PM	Swimming and Diving vs. CHS & SVHS (@MAC-Char. Latin)
Monday, December 23 – Friday, January 3		<b>WINTER HOLIDAY BREAK- NO SCHOOL</b>

## Student Accomplishments

Thomas Giattino has been selected to the Charlotte Youth Wind Orchestra, and Nora Kennedy has been selected to the Carolinas Youth Winds! These are both highly competitive regional ensembles requiring rigorous auditions. Congratulations to these awesome student-musicians!

## Java with Jones Feedback

On December 3, we welcomed several WHS parents for our annual Java with Jones event, at which time we fielded some very important and helpful feedback from the WHS parent perspective. We will carefully consider all of this feedback and utilize it in our decision-making processes throughout the many facets of our school. Main points from Java with Jones are included on the document attached to this Warrior Weekly email message.

## Lockdown Drills

We recently conducted one of four required lockdown drills for the school year. Overall, we were pleased with the way that things went, but we want to take an opportunity to ask for your assistance with this important aspect of your child's school experience. Please reiterate with your child the importance of taking these drills completely seriously and the imperative nature of focusing on and carefully listening to the instructions of staff members and law enforcement during these events. We hope and pray that nothing tragic will ever occur at WHS which triggers a real lockdown, but we need to be as prepared as possible through practice. Like our amazing Warrior musicians and actors on the stage and athletes on the field of competition, we will perform like we practice.

## Poinsettia Sale

The WHS FFA club is selling poinsettias for the holidays. The sale will run through next Friday, 12/20/19. These plants are pre-grown at another location and finished out here at our Weddington greenhouses. Students care for the plants by watering and fertilizing as well as managing pesticide application. Students learn the challenging process of growing poinsettias. Thanks to all of the stakeholders who participate in the product sale. Please contact Andy Nelson ([andy.nelson@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:andy.nelson@ucps.k12.nc.us)) for sale details.

## Angel Tree

The annual Angel Tree is up in our main office, and gift card requests are needed for several families in our area. The deadline for participation in this special initiative is the afternoon of December 18. **There are still some angels on the tree!**

## Senior Recognition Ads

Senior recognition ads for the yearbook are on sale now! You can order online at <http://www.jostensadservice.com/> until 1/20.

## The School Counseling Summary

(News and Notes from the WHS School Counseling Department)

Coffee with Counselors - December

Discussion topic: **Study Skills - How to Prepare for Exams;** [December 19th, 10:00 - 11:00](#)

School Counseling Commons

Sign up to attend today! <https://forms.gle/Wu21rhSpbgpioSRM9>

Coffee with Counselors - January

Discussion topic: **2020 Vision;** [January 16th, 10:00 - 11:00](#)

School Counseling Commons

Sign up to attend today! <https://forms.gle/NuAahgWeWU4eog68A>

## WHS School Counseling Department Assignments (effective December 10, 2019)

Mr. Chad Pauley, 9th grade counselor

Mr. Quincy Smith, 10th grade counselor

Ms. Mallika Rajan, 11th and 12th grade counselor, Last Names A - G

Mrs. Jackie Washington, 11th and 12th grade counselor, Last Names H - Q

Dr. Mary Jordan, Department Chair, 11th and 12th grade counselor, Last Names R - Z

Ms. Janice Bowers, Registrar

Mrs. Anne Lee, Career Development Coordinator

## PTSO NEWS

### Angel Tree:

There are so many wonderful places to give and services to be a part of during this holiday season. One that we would welcome and love for you to participate in is our annual Angel Tree. Please look for the Angel Tree in our front office, and pick one of the adorable angels that represents a gift card such as Target, Gas, Walmart, Grocery, Visa, etc. Send in gift cards in donations of \$25 to give to families to help make their Christmas season a little more memorable with good tidings from you! *\*Deadline extended until Wednesday December, 18th.\**



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Go on Instagram and follow us @ WHS\_PTSO



### December Happenings:

Angel Tree	Dec. 2nd-Dec.18th
Staff Breakfast Treats	Dec. 13th
Coffee with Counselors	Dec. 19th (Study Skills/Exam Prep)
Winter Break	Mon. 23-Jan. 3rd

### INVEST IN EXCELLENCE:

Look for information coming in January on how you can help us INVEST in a Safe, Collaborative, and Meaningful educational space for your child.

***\*Reminder: No Senior Breakfast December or January!** Senior Families can still participate in donating \$35.00 for remaining breakfasts and Senior Week! Every dollar donated goes directly back into the senior class, helping them to have a memorable final year at Weddington High School. Go to [www.whsptso.com](http://www.whsptso.com)*

