



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
Friday, December 7	3:30 PM	JV and V Boys and Girls Basketball @ Providence (Away)
	6:00 PM	JV Wrestling @ Piedmont (Away)
	6:00 PM	V Wrestling @ CATA (Away)
	7:30 PM	Varsity Football @ Mount Tabor (Away)
Saturday, December 8	8:00 AM	Wrestling @ Piedmont (Away)
	3:00 PM	Swim and Dive Meet vs. PHS and CHS (@ SwimMac)
Monday, December 10		
Tuesday, December 11	7:30 AM	Java with Jones (details below)
	4:00 PM	JV and V Boys and Girls Basketball @ Parkwood (Away)
	7:00 PM	Band Concert
Wednesday, December 12	4:30 PM	JV and V Boys & V Girls Basketball @ Stuart Cramer (Away)
	6:00 PM	County Swim Meet (@ Meck. Aquatic Center)
	6:30 PM	Junior Night (details below)
Thursday, December 13	3:45 PM	Boys and Girls Track Meet @ Cuthbertson (Away)
	5:00 PM	Chorus Concert
	6:00 PM	Wrestling vs. Metrolina (Home)
Friday, December 14	3:30 PM	JV and V Boys and Girls Basketball vs. Monroe (Home)
	4:30 PM	Swim and Dive Meet (@ Meck Aquatic Center)
	7:00 PM	Chorus Concert

Saturday, December 15	TBD	Dive Meet (@ Huntersville Aquatic Center)
	TBD	Swim Meet vs. Sun Valley and Piedmont (@ Wingate Univ.)
	TBD	Wrestling @ Porter Ridge (Away)

Academic Growth at WHS

The North Carolina Department of Public Instruction utilizes a system called EVAAS to assign each public school in the state with a composite Educator Effectiveness Growth score. For the 2017-2018 school year, WHS achieved a composite Educator Effectiveness Growth score of 4.95. To put that into context, scores between -2.0 and 2.0 indicate that on average, a school's teachers Met Expected Student Growth for the students who they serve. Scores above a 2.0 indicate that overall, a school's teachers Exceeded Expected Student Growth measures set by the state. This obviously puts Weddington High School well into the Exceeds Expected Growth category for the composite Educator Effectiveness Growth score. The overall school score is derived from our students' performance on End of Course assessments, North Carolina Final Exams, and Career and Technical Education (CTE) exams. So, while we remain focused on continuous growth for individual teachers and subject area departments in their capacity to effectively serve students, this composite score, which reflects the hard and smart work of our staff and students last school year, is something of which we should be proud.

Student Responsibility

As students and families navigate the challenges of high school and life beyond high school, it's critical for every family to do everything in their power to promote independence and responsibility in our students. When it comes to challenging tasks such as the college application process, we believe that the best approach is to really put the burden in the hands of the students. As school staff members and parents, we should act as consultants and guides, but let's be sure to provide our students with the opportunities to develop those skills of independence and confidence by requiring them to ultimately be the responsible parties to ensure that the tasks are completed and completed well.

Safety and Security

Please be reminded that student drop-off and pick-up are not permitted in the church parking lot across from the school. The church is private property, and crossing the road on Highway 84 is simply unsafe. Moreover, students are not permitted to park in the church parking lot. Thank you for your cooperation and assistance with this matter.

Credit By Demonstrated Mastery (CDM)

Please see a letter attached to this Warrior Weekly email which details our school system's Credit by Demonstrated Mastery process.

Junior Night

We hope that 11th grade students and their parents will join us next Wednesday, December 12 from 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. for Junior Night at WHS. Topics will include a panel discussion on college admissions, SAT/ACT prep,

and more. Questions about the event may be directed to guidance counselor Mallika Rajan (mallika.rajan@ucps.k12.nc.us).

Hope for the Holidays

The Mentors Club at Weddington High School has partnered with the NHS, FFT, SNHS, Mu Alpha Theta, Student Government, Tri-M, and Beta Club to sponsor the Boys and Girls Club in Monroe for Hope for the Holidays. The sponsored children are mainly in elementary school, and a few are in middle school. The clubs are sponsoring 50 kids for the holidays this year. They are coming to Weddington High School on Wednesday, December 19th from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. The plan is to have a dinner for the first hour, and then Santa will call the kids up to give them their presents collected by the clubs. Student Government will be making goody bags for each of the kids, and the whole school has donated toys, clothes, and wrapping paper for the event.

Please consider helping out by providing something for the dinner. We are not only feeding the 50 children, but also all the high school students that have sponsored these kids.

We are expecting 250-300 people!

-Please consider signing up using the link below:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0c4eaba729abfe3-hope>

Java with Jones



WHO: Parents of Weddington High School students

WHAT: An opportunity to provide feedback and pose questions about the experiences of your child and your family at Weddington High School

WHEN: December 11, 2018 from 7:30 a.m. – approximately 8:30 a.m.

WHERE: Weddington High School media center

WHY: Strong schools with high achieving students have parents who are involved in two way dialogue with the personnel of their children's school

HOW: Parents will be asked to provide feedback on three particular areas: student social/emotional wellness, school-home communication, and college and career preparedness.

****Coffee and donuts will be served.**

****If you would like to provide feedback but are unable to attend the event, please contact Dr. Jones @ jay.jones@ucps.k12.nc.us.**

Angel Tree



The Angel Tree has been a WHS tradition for years. The purpose is to coordinate with the Guidance Department and school clubs to sponsor Weddington High School families who are struggling this holiday season. The PTSO helps with \$25 in gift cards for groceries, gifts, and gas. If you'd like to be a part of this, stop by the school office and pull a tag, or just donate a \$25 Walmart, Harris Teeter, or gas gift card, and we will pull the appropriate tag for you. All gift cards are due in the main office by December 14. Thank you so much for helping WHS make the holiday a little brighter for our WHS families.

Athletic Boosters



Just in time for holiday gift giving and desserts:

It's Weddington Week at Nothing Bundt Cakes!

From Saturday, December 8, through Friday, December 14, order your luscious, hand-decorated cakes from Nothing Bundt Cakes, and **15% of each order will be donated to the Weddington High School Athletic Booster Club (WHSABC).**

Order online at [Nothing Bundt Cakes](https://www.nothingbundtcakes.com) to make your shopping easier, or drop by our Rea Road store for a sweet sample while you place your order. Either way, your order will be freshly baked and ready for pick-up on the date and time you select.

You must use code "WHSABC" online, or mention "WHSABC" in person when ordering to ensure a generous donation to our high school.

Thank you for your continuing support of the

Weddington High School Athletic Booster Club!

Nothing Bundt Cakes

9704 Rea Road, Suite A, Waxhaw

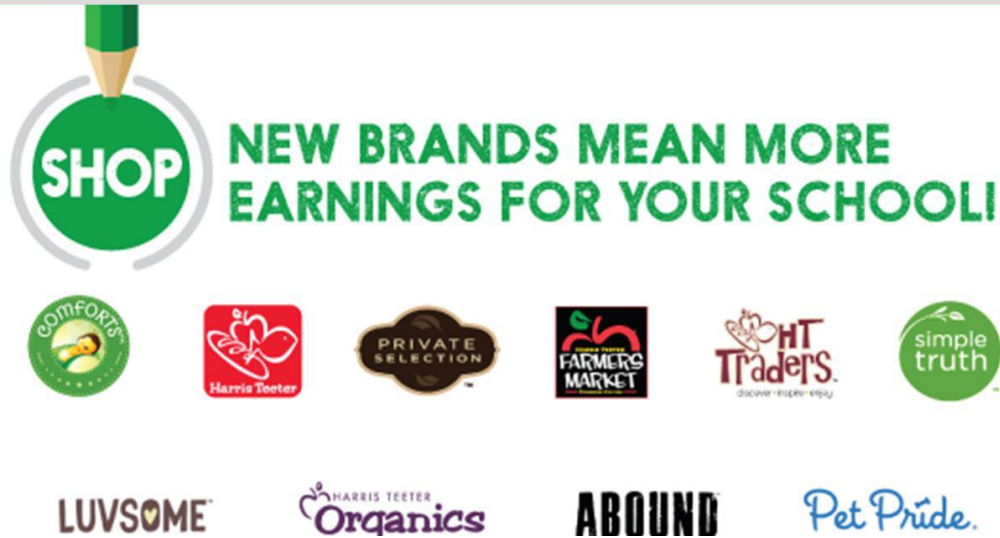
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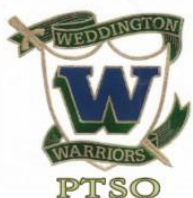
Please contact the bakery management team at (704)845-2253 for specific allergy questions/concerns.

Benefit our School When You Grocery Shop

When you shop at Harris Teeter, purchases of the brands below will help WHS!



***Please scroll down for further information.**



Our **ONLY** fundraiser!

Invest in Excellence

Invest in Excellence is the PTSO's only fundraiser. It is a straightforward request for a tax-deductible donation in lieu of any third-party or social event fundraising.

Invest money is used to support academic needs at WHS. In the past, the generous donations from parents have enabled the school to purchase

Visit us at www.whsptso.com

Membership: We are combining our Invest in Excellence campaign with our membership drive. Your one-time donation to Invest in Excellence automatically includes a \$20 membership to the PTSO. Membership monies (along with the money generated from Harris Teeter's VIC card and Publix) are important for covering our expenses for *staff appreciation, care & concern, outreach, graduation, operating expenses, and scholarships*. ("Senior Events" is self-supporting through donations from senior parents.)

It's easy! Simply complete the form in this newsletter and mail it in or drop it off at the PTSO tables during the August open house. You may also Invest online at www.whsptso.com.

2018-2019 PTSO BOARD

President: Torrie Newman

Vice President: Ashley Bhargava

Treasurer: Sherri McGirt

Secretary: Amanda Fink

Invest in Excellence & Membership:

Staff Appreciation: Amanda Fink, Kelley Cobb

Senior Events: Peggy Rishe, Torrie Newman + awesome volunteers

Questions? Email Torrie at Torrie@newmansplace.com



Senior Events

The Senior Events Committee provides breakfast several times during the school year. They also help out with student activities during senior week including the cakes for the banquet and lunch on awards day. Along with many more items to help make Senior Week a memorable event for them all! They work with the Student Counsel and Ms. LaLone to make this a successful week of events. This committee is fully funded by donations (\$35 per senior) from senior parents. Questions? Email: Peggy Rishe (pdrishe@yahoo.com) or Torrie Newman (torrie@newmansplace.com) The ever-popular *Home of a Senior Warrior* signs for parents' yards will be available at the August open house and are \$12! \$47 for the whole package for your senior!

Staff Appreciation

Treat Days twice a month (2nd & 4th plus the 5th Fridays), 4 staff luncheons, Thanksgiving pies, staff meeting snacks and holiday treats—it's how we show our administrators, teachers, and support staff our appreciation. Our Staff Appreciation Committee would love to add your name to its list of volunteers. Questions? Email: Amanda Fink (agracefink@gmail.com)

RE-LINK!! Don't forget to relink your Harris Teeter VIC card! Harris Teeter has been extremely generous in supporting our schools throughout the years, but it requires that patrons RELINK their card each August 1st to the school of your choice. (You may link up to 5 schools.) Go to www.harristeeter.com and click TOGETHER IN EDUCATION (TIE)...or add WHS to your card the next time you visit your local Harris Teeter.



WHS code: 4323



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I'M BUSY...MAKE THIS EASY FOR ME!

We hear you! This is your page for "one stop shopping"! Complete the sections you want to, include cash or check made payable to WHS PTSO, and mail form to address below (or drop off form at PTSO tables during the August open house days).

INVEST IN EXCELLENCE/MEMBERSHIP*: (\$20 will be put towards Membership.)

_____ \$300 donation
_____ \$200 donation
_____ \$100 donation
_____ \$ 50 donation
_____ \$ _____

- Ask your employer about a matching gift program for charitable giving.

SENIOR EVENTS (for parents of seniors ONLY):

_____ \$35 donation to cover senior activities
_____ \$12 "Home of Senior Warrior" yard sign _____ received _____ prepaid
_____ I would like to help with the monthly senior breakfasts.
_____ I would be willing to donate door prizes.

STAFF APPRECIATION:

_____ I would like to donate food items for staff treat days.
_____ I would like to help with the staff luncheons.

NEW STUDENT LUNCHEONS:

_____ I would like to donate food for New Student luncheons.

PTSO MONTHLY E-NEWSLETTER:

_____ I would like to receive the monthly e-newsletter.

\$ _____ TOTAL ENCLOSED

☐ I would like a receipt please.

Please make checks payable to
WHS PTSO
and mail form & money to:

Weddington High School
Attn: PTSO
4901 Weddington Monroe Road
Matthews, NC 28104

Or donate online at
www.whsptso.com

For PTSO Use Only:

Check Number: _____

Online / CC: _____

Cash Received: _____

Date: _____ Initials: _____

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Parent/Guardian Name(s): _____

Email Address (PLEASE print clearly) _____

Phone: (home) _____ (work/cell) _____

Student(s) Name: _____ Grade: 9th 10th 11th 12th

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