Warrior Weekly

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IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

Friday, April 29th - Report cards distributed

Monday, May 2nd - AP exams begin (see below for more information)

Monday, May 2nd - Friday, May 6th - Teacher Appreciation Week

Saturday, May 7th - Junior/Senior Prom

CONGRATULATIONS DEPUTY BYRUM!



IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR SENIORS



Important Graduation Information

Graduation Rehearsal: Friday, June 3rd 12:00pm

All seniors participating in Commencement are required to attend rehearsal on Friday, June 3rd at 12:00pm. The check-in table will open at 11:15am by the gym doors near the student entrance of the school. All students will proceed to their line pods in preparation for practicing the processional. Additional information will be provided to seniors in the days prior to rehearsal.

Graduation: Monday, June 6th at 8:00am.

Weddington High School's Class of 2022 Commencement will be held on Monday, June 6th 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 students are able to check in and be in line for the processional.

Dress code for students is business casual. Males should wear a collared shirt and females a dress, skirt, or dress pants. No flip-flops or high heels. Ladies should affix the white collar that comes with the graduation gown.

Graduation Tickets and Parking:

Each graduating senior will have 8 tickets to the ceremony. Each student must claim their tickets from the school website and distribute a QR code to their attendees. **Tickets will be available to claim beginning Monday, May 9th at 8:00am and will remain available to claim through Friday, June 3rd at 11:59pm**. Click here for graduation event and ticketing information, including parking information.

Senior Collections:

Seniors will not be allowed to walk in the graduation ceremony if their school account has not been cleared. Our bookkeeper, Mrs. Tina Starnes, will be available following graduation practice 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, May 27th**.

Senior Week

Senior week is a week at the end of May dedicated to helping seniors celebrate their accomplishments and create memories that will last a lifetime! Senior week will be May 16th - 20th this year. A schedule of events along with links to other documents pertaining to various events for the week was shared with seniors via Canvas and posted on social media earlier this week. The following are a couple time sensitive items that seniors must complete if they wish to participate:

Senior Banquet: This year's Senior Banquet will be held at Providence Country Club on Wednesday May 18th from 6pm-8pm. This event is for students only and will feature speakers, a video, and of course, food! There is a country club dress code. The cost to attend the Senior Banquet is \$30.00 which can be paid by clicking HERE. Seniors who wish to attend the Senior Banquet must purchase their ticket by Wednesday, May 11th at 3:00PM as Providence Country Club requires we give an advance head count. Seniors are encouraged to get their tickets while they are available. The menu selection will feature Asian cuisine.

Senior Class Field Trip: Seniors are invited to join us at the White Water Center for the day on Thursday, May 19th! This event has a fee and a permission slip. The fee to attend is \$85 and this includes transportation, admission, white water rafting (at 11:00 or 12:30) and lunch. We will depart from the school during first period. Seniors who wish to attend this trip must pay the \$85 fee by clicking HERE, and complete the online permission slip and the required waiver from WWC by next Wednesday, May 6th at 3:00pm (White water center requires we give an advance head count).

Senior Paint War: The annual senior paint war will take place on Friday, May 20th. The cost for the paint war is \$5.00 which can be paid <u>HERE</u>. Students must have a completed permission slip in order to participate in the paint war. The permission slip can be accessed <u>HERE</u>. The \$5 fee and permission slip are due by **Wednesday, May 18th at 3:00pm**. Students who do not complete one or both of these will not be able to participate.

Permission slips can be turned into the front office or to Mrs. LaLone in G206. If you or your student have any questions about any of these events, please email laura.lalone@ucps.k12.nc.us.

Pictures for Senior Class Video

Photos for the Senior video can now be submitted. All photos must be submitted via email following the steps below:

- Photos should be higher resolution and submitted electronically via email to whsseniorgrads22@gmail.com
- Photos can be from any age and can be individual or group pictures
- If a baby or young age photo is submitted, please use a photo editing software to type the students name on the photo in the way you would like it displayed

- All photos must be school appropriate or they will not be used
- A maximum of 5 photos can be submitted per student
- All photos that are submitted may not make it into the video, however, we will do our best to include them all. Those that do not follow the above guidelines cannot be used.
- The deadline to submit pictures is May 10th so that prom photos may be included. This is a HARD deadline because we need time to download all photos and make the video prior to senior week.

SPRING EXAMS INFORMATION

ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP) TESTING:

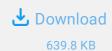
AP Testing will begin on Monday May 2nd. All AP students will receive a handout with important information along with the schedule. The AP testing schedule is also attached below. Please encourage students to follow social media for any AP testing updates. The following are a few helpful testing day tips:

- Dress in layers- Gym/Media could be cold or warm
- Eat a healthy breakfast or lunch- nothing loaded in sugar to avoid a sugar crash
- Bring healthy filling snacks as all students will receive a 15 minute break between
- section
- Get a good night's sleep: being well rested on your testing day will help you perform your best on the exam. Lack of sleep will make for a very long exam
- · Bring a calculator
- Pencils and pens will be provided
- Cell phones will be collected: please make sure your phone can be identified quickly as some test groups are large and I-phones can all look identical. Avoid placing your credit cards and/or drivers license outside of your phone case
- Leave smart watches at home as we will be required to collect all smart watches
- Do not bring any type of Bluetooth/wireless accessory
- Be on time- students will not be permitted to enter the test room late. If you have a morning test, please plan accordingly for traffic

Late Testing Policy

Any student who misses the AP exam must contact Mrs. Washington immediately via email. Please remember AP testing is **REQUIRED**. If a student does not participate in testing their overall grade will be lowered a letter grade according to UCPS policy. If a student misses the regular exam time, there will likely be a fee that the student will be responsible for.

SENIORS: Please remember that AP exam administration times are strict and we are bound to follow all College Board and AP Policies. Weddington High has never scheduled senior week during the regular administration of AP exams, however we have no control of late testing schedule conflicting with senior week activities. Please do your best to be present for all regular scheduled exams.



END OF COURSE (EOC) EXAMS AND FINAL EXAMS

Students are required to take ALL EXAMS, including End of Course (EOC) and Teacher Made exams, at school during exam week.

1st Block: Friday, May 27th 2nd Block: Tuesday, May 31st 3rd Block: Wednesday, June 1st 4th Block: Thursday, June 2nd Makeup Exams: Friday, June 3rd

Required EOC Courses:

- · NC Math 1
- · NC Math 3
- · English 2
- · Biology

Courses with a Required CTE State Exam:

- · Accounting I
- · Accounting II
- · Animal Science II
- · Culinary I
- · Foods I
- · Interior Design
- · Sports Marketing I
- · Business Law
- · Fashion Merchandising
- · Health Science I
- · Principles of Business

Testing will begin promptly at 8:15 am. Testing will conclude around 12:30/1:00 pm each day. No student can be released until all testing is complete and the testing session has officially ended for the day. Please be sure to bring your chromebook and chargers with you each day of testing.

Absences and Teacher Made Final Exam Exemptions

Absences have an impact on whether or not a student can be exempt from a teacher made final exam. The follow excerpt outlines the requirements for teacher made final exam exemptions as is found on page 22 of the 2021-2022 UCPS High School Student Handbook which can be accessed by clicking HERE.

High School students will not be required to take a teacher-made final exam in a course in the following situations:

- The student has an average of 90 or above the week prior to the administration of the exam and has no more than 2 unexcused absences in the class; or
- The student has an average of 80 or above the week prior to the administration of the exam **and** has no more than 1 unexcused absence in the class.



Students in grades 9-12 who are absent for 8 periods or more in a semester long course or 15 in a yearlong course may fail the course. Yearlong courses are defined as courses which meet on a daily basis for the entire school year. Students with 8 or more unexcused absences will have the opportunity to make up the required seat time during Attendance Recovery.

Attendance Recovery is for students who have a chance to pass academically but are in danger of failing due to absences. Recovery will be aligned to the class/classes where the absences occurred. Recovered absences will not change the attendance record and excessive absences may impact other opportunities including the ability to participate in co-curricular and extra-curricular activities.

Students who are eligible for Attendance Recovery will receive notification from our attendance officer, Mrs. Bowen, on May 12, 2022 via student email and a letter will be mailed home. Parents will also receive notification through a Blackboard Connect message. Included in the communication to eligible students and their parents will be information regarding how much time the student needs to make-up through Attendance Recovery along with the process for signing up to attend.

Parents who have any questions after receiving their notification are asked to contact Mrs. Bowen by calling 704-296-6319.

Attendance Recovery will be offered at Weddington High School on the following dates and times:

- Saturday, May 14th from 8:00am 2:00pm (four possible sessions)
- Monday, May 16th through Friday, May 20th from 3:10pm to 6:10pm (each day would offer two 90 minute sessions)
- Saturday, May 21st from 8:00am 2:00pm (four possible sessions)

In total, there will be eighteen 90 minute sessions made available for attendance recovery.

CTE SUMMER CAMP



Are you looking for FREE, fun and engaging summer activities for your middle or high school student? Union County Public Schools is offering nearly 20 Career and Technical Education camps that will expose students to a variety of careers and provide hands-on experiences. Camp options include music production, robotics, coding, career exploration, culinary, finance, automotive service and health science.

DETAILS:

WHEN: Camps are weekly in June and July

WHERE: Various middle and high schools

COST: No cost for families

MEALS: Lunch will be provided

TRANSPORTATION: Transportation is not provided

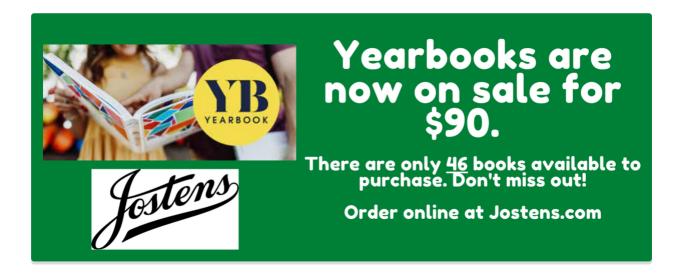
Additional information and registration:
APPLY BY MAY 15

https://ucpscte.org/summer-camps/



YEARBOOK INFORMATION

2021-2022 Yearbooks



UCPS COLLEGE READINESS OPPORTUNITIES

Champ Camp Leadership Council

Union County Public Schools partners with Champ Camp to offer students the unique opportunity to work with highly successful community and business leaders from both the local and national level. Learn more about the Champ Camp.

Champ Camp Leadership Council Spring 2022 Dates

• May 12, 2022

All sessions begin at 6:00 p.m. and last approximately 90 minutes. During each session, students will hear from two professionals. These professionals will share information about their careers, education pathways, and what a typical day is like in their career. After each speaker has shared, students will have the opportunity to ask questions of each speaker. Each meeting culminates with a collaborative activity focused on the <u>7 Key Soft Skills of Successful People</u>, as defined by the World Economic Forum. Students who are interested in attending should register by visiting https://bit.ly/champcampreg.

COUNSELING DEPARTMENT

Class of 2023, April task - The Brag Sheet

Rising Seniors, 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/counselor. No brag sheet = no letter. Please see attached documents for further assistance.



Scoir Survey.pdf



Rising seniors will be introduced to requesting letters of recommendation in May.

Scoir

Parents! Ask your child to invite you to Scoir! Please see the flyer attached below. To learn more about Scoir, https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=scoir



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Summer with School Counselors

JumpStart Your College Application - Virtual Workshop Series June 7, 8, 9 1:00 - 3:30

College admissions counselors will share a university-based presentation followed by a topic driven discussion. Sessions will be held via Zoom. Pre-registration is required and can be completed via this link, https://forms.gle/2N6yGDKAiRbTHS9n6

Topics include but not limited to: Paying for College, College Tours – Campus Based and Virtual, Holistic Application Review, Anatomy of the College Application, Writing the Personal Statement, Scoir, Resume Writing, Activity List, Recommendation Letters, Early Action – Early Decision – Regular – Rolling, Common Application, I've been deferred, now what? Writing the Winning Essay, Community College, and a Parent University session.

College Application Lab

WHS Cafeteria

Student Computer Required

- · August 1, 11:00am 3:00pm Understanding and starting the Common Application
- · August 2, 11:00 3:00 Scoir and Letters of Recommendation
- · August 3, 11:00 3:00 Writing the Essay
- · August 4, 11:00 3:00 Working on the Common Application

New to Weddington Cluster - New Student Registration

WHS Cafeteria

August 8, 9, 10, 11

11:00am - 3:00pm

Pre-registration Required.

Details will be posted on the School Counseling webpage in June,

https://www.ucps.k12.nc.us/Domain/889

2022-2023 Student Schedules - PROJECTED TIMELINE

August 15, 1:00 - 3:00, Seniors with holes come into the building to complete the student schedule.

August 16, 1:00 - 3:00, **Juniors** with holes come into the building to complete the student schedule.

August 17, 1:00 - 3:00, **Sophomores** with holes come into the building to complete the student schedule.

August 18, 1:00 - 3:00, Freshmen with holes come into the building to complete the student schedule.

August 22, 8:00am - Schedule Change Request (<u>GoogleForm</u>) opens. Students must sign in with UCPS credentials to access and complete the form.

August 23, Counselors process **Senior** schedule change requests. Changes based on what the master schedule allows.

August 24, Counselors process **Junior** schedule change requests. Changes based on what the master schedule allows.

August 25, Counselors process **Sophomore** schedule change requests. Changes based on what the master schedule allows.

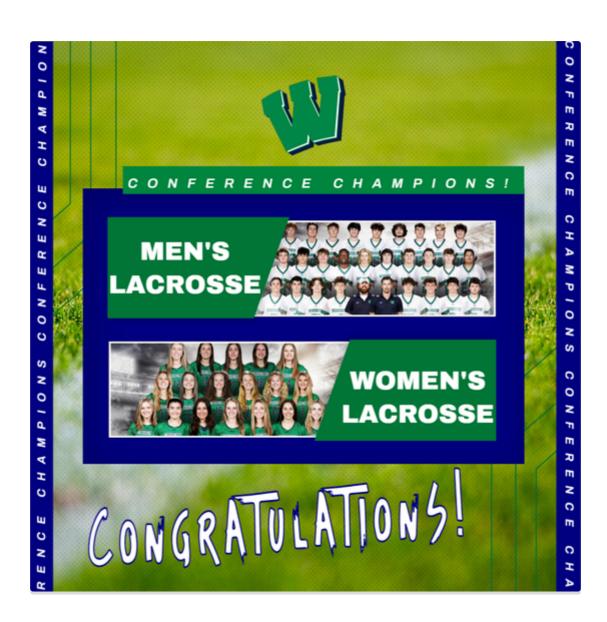
August 26, Counselors process **Freshman** schedule change requests. Changes based on what the master schedule allows.

September 2, 8:00am - Schedule Change Request (GoogleForm) closes.

ATHLETIC INFORMATION



CONGRATULATIONS WARRIOR LACROSSE TEAMS!



THE WHS ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB NEEDS YOUR HELP!

The Weddington High School Athletic Booster Club is looking for volunteers for the 2022-2023 school year!



We have openings for: President, Vice President, Sponsorship, Fundraising and Concessions.



For more information, please email WHSABC President, Laurie Lewis @ whsabcpresident@gmail.com

Athletic Department Update

Dear Community Members,

As we progress through the 2021-2022 athletic season, I would like to take this opportunity and reflect upon the many successes of our teams. It has been a great start to the year for our student-athletes and the future looks extremely promising!

With that said, I am contacting you to ask for your help. Our Athletic Booster Club is an integral part of our school community and serves as the fundraising arm of our athletic department. The current board members have done an outstanding job this year, making it one of the most successful years in school history. Unfortunately, some board and committee members will be leaving us as their children graduate from Weddington High School. As such, we are seeking interested individuals to assist in the following areas:

Immediate Openings:

Committee Chair - Fundraising

Committee Chair - Hospitality

Committee Chair - Sponsorship

Committee Chair - Concessions

If you, or anyone you know, is interested in serving the Athletic Booster Club, please reach out to WHSABC President Laurie Lewis (whsabcpresident@gmail.com) or myself. We would be more than happy to discuss the roles and requirements of each of the positions available for the next school year. As always, I appreciate your continued support of the Weddington Athletic Department and if I can ever be of any assistance, please let me know. We could not do it without you!

For up to date athletic information, please visit: https://www.ucpsathletics.com/weddington To purchase game tickets, please visit: https://www.ucpsathletics.com/weddingtontickets To view game schedules: https://www.ucpsathletics.com/weddingtonschedules

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

Coaches Directory
Eligibility Website

Can't Attend Live? Watch it Live Instead!

Click <u>here</u> to learn more about our live stream partnership with the NFHS Network! Volleyball, wrestling, basketball, football, soccer and lacrosse will all be live streamed!

WEDDINGTON HIGH SCHOOL PTSO

End of Year staff appreciation gift card donations!! We will be accepting \$10 and \$20 gift cards to local grocery stores, gas cards, local eateries, Amazon, etc! Please sign up with link below: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c044aacaa2ca6fe3-year1

April Happenings:

April 29th Grab and Go Staff Breakfast

May Happenings:

May 2-May 6 Teacher Appreciation Week!!

May 3rd Staff Luncheon

May 13 Staff Breakfast

May 16 Senior Breakfast 7:15a in Media Center

May 17 Senior Photo and Parade through WES and WMS

{school sponsored event}

May 18 Senior Academic Signing Day (during school)

May 18 Senior Banquet 6p @ Providence Country Club

{School Sponsored Event}

May 19 Senior Fun Day at White Water Center (school sponsored event)

May 20 Senior Awards, Cookout and Paint War

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Remember to re-link your Harris Teeter, Publix, and Amazon Smiles account to WHS so you can be giving money back all year long while shopping for your family.











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