

# Warrior Weekly

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## Weddington High School



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Office Hours: 7:30am - 4:00pm



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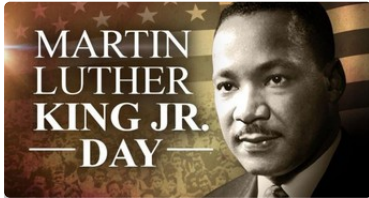
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THERE WILL BE NO SCHOOL **MONDAY, JANUARY 17TH** IN OBSERVANCE OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. HOLIDAY.

THERE WILL BE NO SCHOOL **TUESDAY, JANUARY 18TH** DUE TO AN OPTIONAL TEACHER WORKDAY.

## IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

**Friday, January 14th** - End of 1st semester

**Monday, January 17th** - No School in Observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday

**Tuesday, January 18th** - No School: Optional Teacher Workday

**Wednesday, January 19th** - First day of second semester

## 1ST SEMESTER EXAM INFORMATION

We want to thank all of our students and staff for helping make this week's exams go so smoothly. We recognize that there are students who were unable to take an EOC/CTE state exam due to quarantine or illness. These students will be given the opportunity to make up their missed exam(s) on Tuesday, January 18th during the optional teacher workday. School staff will be reaching out to students who need to make-up one or more exams with more details.

**A couple of reminders for students who will be making up an EOC/CTE state exam on Tuesday, January 18th:**

- Be on time! **The building will be open at 8:30am.**
- **Testing will begin promptly at 9:00am.**
- As a reminder, final exams count as 25% of the overall semester grade. Attendance is very important.
- **Students will need their laptops and their chargers and a calculator if taking an exam where it is permitted.**
- All students are encouraged to get a good night's sleep each night and have a healthy breakfast each morning.

- **ONLY** students taking a make-up state EOC/CTE exams are to report to school Tuesday, January 18th.

If you have questions concerning exams, please contact assistant principal and WHS testing coordinator, Alanna Smith at [Alanna.smith@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:Alanna.smith@ucps.k12.nc.us).

## SECOND SEMESTER BEGINS WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 19TH

**Students will follow their 2nd semester schedule beginning Wednesday, January 19th. Students are asked to review their schedule prior to coming to school on Wednesday.** Student schedules are available via PowerSchool. Paper copies of second semester schedules will not be distributed. If a student has a hole in their schedule for second semester, they should submit a schedule change request which can be accessed by visiting the School Counseling Webpage which is linked below.

### Semester Two Schedule Change Request

The semester two schedule change request window opened December 1st and will close Friday, January 21st. ***Please know, submitting a schedule change request does not guarantee a schedule change.*** For specific information, please see the School Counseling webpage, <https://www.ucps.k12.nc.us/Domain/889>

To review a list of commonly offered electives, please click [HERE](#)

## WHS PTSO FUNDRAISER

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Please join and/or contribute a donation at [www.whsptso.com](http://www.whsptso.com)

## COUNSELING DEPARTMENT

### School Counseling Webpage

<https://www.ucps.k12.nc.us/Page/3845>

**Mark your calendar!** - The WHS counseling department will be offering a sophomore and junior virtual workshop to learn more about academic pathways and the college application process.

Preregistration link will be in 1/21/2022 Warrior Weekly!

- Junior Workshop, January 25 - 6:30 (virtual, parents and students)
- Sophomore Workshop, February 23 - 6:30 (virtual, parents and students)
- Freshman workshop will take place in March (date TBD)

-Rising 9th grade workshop will take place in April (date TBD)

### Midyear Transcript / Midyear Report Request

Not all colleges/universities require a midyear transcript/midyear report. Check your email, review admissions pages, and login to your college portals to identify if this documentation is required. Complete the [Midyear Transcript/Midyear Report Request Form](#) for those schools requesting or requiring a midyear transcript/midyear report.

Once Semester 1 exams have concluded and grades are finalized, the District will load final Semester 1 transcripts. This process could take up to 3 days. Please allow 2 weeks for transcripts to be submitted.

Only midyear transcripts requested via this document will be sent to colleges/universities. Email/voicemail requests will not be processed. This form can also be found on the School Counseling webpage. Check your SCOIR account for updates.

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### College, Career, and 2022-2023 Course Selections

College, Career, and 2022-2023 Course Selections meetings began Wednesday, December 1st and will continue through April. For specific information, please see the School Counseling webpage, <https://www.ucps.k12.nc.us/Domain/889>

### Career and College Promise - updates

1. Spring registration at SPCC began November 1st. Students, please discuss interest and possible course selections with Mrs. Rajan, [mallika.rajana@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:mallika.rajana@ucps.k12.nc.us)
2. **Any students who registered for a Spring SPCC course should have received an email from Ms. Rajan with a google form to indicate schedule preferences. Please submit the form as soon as possible!**

## RESOURCES & OPPORTUNITIES FROM THE UCPS COLLEGE READINESS DEPARTMENT

**ACT Blitz** - offered in person on February 12, 2022 at Monroe High School from 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM. UCPS and Huntington Learning Center will share tips and strategies for success on the ACT. [Click here](#) for a flyer with additional information.

**ACT Prep Camp** - UCPS will be holding a hybrid (part in-person and part virtual) ACT prep camp during January and February. There is no cost for this camp, but participants who are accepted must commit to attending all in-person and virtual sessions.



Each school will be allotted an equal number of seats for the camp. Unused seats will be distributed equally. The camp begins with an in-person full-length practice ACT exam on January 29th followed by 4 weeks of virtual sessions covering each of the 4 sections of the ACT. Instruction will be provided by Huntington Learning Center. Supplemental activities aligned to the ACT subjects will be provided by Albert. The camp will conclude with a second in-person full-length practice ACT exam on February 26th. [Click here](#) for a flyer with additional information.

**ACT Mock Exams on Albert** - Juniors and seniors have access to free practice exams on Albert. Once they have taken the practice exam, they can use the score calculator to estimate their composite score. [Click here](#) for a flyer with additional information.

**College Recruiting for Athletes** - This webinar on February 17, 2022 will help parents whose children are interested in playing college sports understand the recruiting process. It is presented in partnership with Next College Student Athlete (NCSA). Registration is now open. [Click here](#) for a flyer with additional information.

## DIGITAL RESOURCE ACCESS FOR PARENTS

UCPS Technology Services has partnered with NCDPI to pilot the Single Sign-On (SSO) platform for parents and guardians using the existing NCEdCloud (<https://my.ncedcloud.org>) webpage. This new service is **optional** for parents however will provide a convenient one-stop access to digital resources such as Canvas, PowerSchool Parent Portal, Discovery Education, and local Clever applications.

Single Sign-On accounts using NCEdCloud will only be available for parents and guardians who currently have a PowerSchool Parent Portal account. On January 10, 2022, parents who have an existing PowerSchool Parent Portal account will receive notification of this new service via their PowerSchool Parent Portal email address. Once their Single SignOn account is configured by NCEdCloud, they will receive an email indicating the Parent/Guardian account has been set up, along with a Claim Code and instructions on how to "Claim Your Account" at <https://my.ncedcloud.org>.

To claim an NCEdCloud Parent/Guardian account, parents will need the Claim Code received in the email, along with their email address. (Click here for overview and instructions). After the account has been claimed, parents will log into <https://my.ncedcloud.org> using the credentials established during the account claiming process to view and access the dashboard of digital resources. Parents and guardians should contact the school for assistance.

## CONGRATULATIONS AND GOOD LUCK DEPUTY BYRUM!



WHS is proud of Deputy Byrum on his nomination for the Union County Public Schools Resource Officer of the Year! We wish Deputy Byrum good luck as he goes through the SRO of the Year Interview and selection process which will take place in March. Way to go Deputy Byrum!

## ATHLETIC INFORMATION





# 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](mailto: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](mailto:michael.hart@ucps.k12.nc.us) or by calling the school.**

[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!

## WEDDINGTON HIGH SCHOOL PTSO

The Exams are over!! Congrats to everyone! Let's move to a successful second semester :)

Remember to join your PTSO. For the next 4 weeks we will be encouraging you to contribute a total of **\$5,000**. If you have joined for \$25.00 and would like to continue to donate in our Invest in Excellence program, we are excited to invite you to do so! :)

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### January Happenings:

1/14 Staff Breakfast

1/21 Spring Semester Teacher Mini-Grant applications due

1/28 Staff Breakfast

*\*\*Senior Breakfasts will begin again in February\*\**

\*Teachers, second wave of mini-grants are due January 21, 22.

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