Warrior Weekly

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Student Centered; Future Focused!



THANK YOU PTSO!







This week, because of your membership, generosity, and donations, we were able to spoil the teachers with popcorn and drinks for their staff meeting, and provide Chick-Fil-A sandwiches, yogurt, fancy coffee and fancy creamers along with a brand new Keurig!!! This year is about safety and filling our cups! You all are doing a great job making sure our staff know we want their cups to stay full so they can continue to pour into our students! THANK YOU!

- Amanda Fink, PTSO President

Please see additional PTSO information in the newsletter below!

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

10/12/20 - 10/15/20: Underclassman Picture Day (Information in newsletter below)

10/22/20: **Thursday, October 22nd** is a Remote Learning Day for all UCPS schools. This is the first of five scheduled Remote Learning Days on the UCPS Calendar. The dates for the other Remote Learning Days can be found on the 2020-2021 UCPS Calendar by clicking <u>HERE</u>.

10/23/20: There will be NO SCHOOL for students **Friday, October 23rd** due to a teacher workday.

WHS ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB INFORMATION





FALL UNDERCLASSMAN PICTURE DAY



Carolina Photography will be at Weddington High School to photograph fall pictures for the yearbook on Monday, October 12th, Tuesday, October 13th, Wednesday, October 14th and Thursday, October 15th. If you would like to order pictures please return the order form and payment with your student on picture day.

For your convenience, you may prepay for the pictures by going to www.carolinaphoto.net. Click fall prepay and select your school name on the drop-down tab to place your order online. The online prepay will be available until the end of business of the scheduled picture day.

Carolina Photography (704) 483-5862



UNDERCLASSMEN PICTURE DAY October 12th - 15th



Monday, Oct 12th	Tuesday, Oct 13th	Wednesday, Oct 14th	Thursday, Oct 15th
Last Names A - F	Last Names G -K	Last Names L - S	Last Names T-Z
In-person Students	In-person Students	In-person Students	In-person Students 8:20 am -11:30 am
8:20 am -11:30 am	8:20 am -11:30 am	8:20 am -11:30 am	
Remote Students	Remote Students	Remote Students	Remote Students
(use main entrance)	(use main entrance)	(use main entrance)	(use main entrance)
12:00 pm - 2:00 pm			

IMPORTANT REMINDER: BACK TO SCHOOL DOCUMENTS



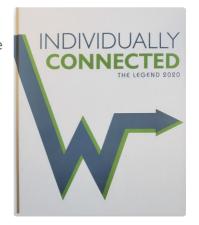
Each year, all students are required to complete a variety of back to school documents. In an effort to streamline this process and make it more convenient for students and parents, we have made all forms available electronically through FamilyID. This allows the students and parents to complete the required paperwork without having to return the forms to the school. The original due date for completing these required forms was Friday, September 18th but has benn extended. Please take a moment to complete these required forms as soon as possible. Information about accessing these forms can be found by clicking HERE.

For questions about FamilyID or the back to school documents, please email Mike Hart at michael.hart@ucps.k12.nc.us.

YEARBOOK INFORMATION

Purchase a Yearbook

Yearbooks are now on sale for \$75 at <u>jostens.com</u>. Buy now and get free personalization. If you have any questions please email Mrs. Waldrup at <u>anna.waldrup@ucps.k12.nc.us</u>.



Senior Parents - it is time to purchase Senior Recognition Ads. Go to jostensadservice.com to purchase and design your ad. See the attached pricing list for information. If you have any questions please email Mrs. Waldrup at anna.waldrup@ucps.k12.nc.us



Make the Weddington High School yearbook even more special.

Recognize your student milestones and successes with a yearbook ad.



Order by	Oct. 12th	Nov. 9th	Dec. 14th
Full Page	\$300	\$350	\$400
1/2 Page	\$200	\$225	\$275
1/4 Page	\$160	\$175	\$200

COUNSELING DEPARTMENT



WHS Counseling Department Showcase - Mrs. Janice Bowers

Biography

School Counseling Secretary / Registrar: Ms. Janice Bowers

Hometown: Mineral Springs, NC

Education: High School Graduate Parkwood High School/Kings

College

Favorite Activity in Weddington: Staff Powder Puff Football

Favorite Restaurant: Monterrey

Favorite Weddington Tradition: Spirit Weeks

Best Thing about Weddington: Students and Staff

Random/fun fact about you: I love to make people smile. Best piece

<u>Testing – A message from Mrs. Washington</u>

PSAT - Wednesday October 14th at 8:00am. Select Juniors who tested at 90th percentile and above from last year were invited to test this year for National Merit. Junior year is the only year scores will qualify. Due to social distance guidelines we were not allowed to open testing for everyone. Each student received a PSAT student guide and a letter in the mail in case they are all virtual. Desks will be placed at 6 feet apart and spread out in the gym. Please pack snacks and we encourage you to dress in layers as we can never predict the temperature in the gym. Don't forget your calculator and pencils (no lead pencils). If you are testing with accommodations you will receive a separate email by Monday informing you of your test location. If Wednesday is not your assigned day you will be allowed to leave after testing. If Wednesday is a normal in class day for you and you wish to leave after testing you will need to turn in a note prior to testing.

 $So phomores\ will\ participate\ in\ Pre-ACT\ testing\ in\ the\ Spring\ with\ date\ to\ be\ announced.$

Juniors- All juniors will participate in ACT testing on February 23rd. At this time there is NO guarantee we will be offering SAT school day.

It is strongly recommended that your student has completed a portion of Math III before registering for SAT or ACT. Typically, Juniors will test on school day in February as well as June test date, however, you are free to register for any test dates that work for you. If you are seeking to test with accommodations and have a school plan please work with Mrs. Washington to apply.

To register for testing-

SAT- www.collegeboard.org

ACT- www.act.org

Please reach out to *Mrs. Washington* with any testing questions and make sure to follow Weddington HS on all social media for updates.

North Carolina School of Science and Math - A message from Mr. Smith

The 2020 NCSSM presentation will be held on Tuesday, October 13 at 6:00pm. The link for the virtual presentation will be sent out the day of prior to 12pm. Interested in learning more, please reach out to *Mr. Smith.*

Freshman Conference - A message from Ms. Wiles and Mr. Smith

Virtual freshman conferences are well underway and campus based conversations are schedule to begin in the coming weeks. Ms. Wiles and Mr. Smith will begin meeting with 9th grade students during PE classes and will move forward with other elective classes to ensure that each student is met with either virtually or on campus. Plan D students are asked to email Ms. Wiles and Mr. Smith to schedule a virtual conference. Previous to the conference students are asked to complete the Freshman Conference Google Form available on the WHS School Counseling Canvas page. Click on Modules then scroll to the 9th grade folder.

Please reach out to *Ms. Wiles* (last names A-L) or *Mr. Smith* (last names M-Z) with any comments, questions, and/or concerns.

Senior Conferences are in full swing!

Email your counselor today to set up an appt. mallika.rajan@ucps.k12.nc.us

jackie.washington@ucps.k12.nc.us

mary.jordan@ucps.k12.nc.us

Unity Day – Wednesday, October 21, 2020



Bullying Awareness Month - A message from Ms. Parks

October is Bullying Awareness month. Please the bulletin board in the cafeteria for awareness activities.

In partnership with the National Bullying Prevention Center we ask Warriors to wear orange or white on Wednesday, October 21st to show that we are together against bullying, and united for kindness, acceptance, and inclusion.

Please see a message below from the NBPC.

Make it orange and make it end! What are your true colors when it comes to showing that you believe that all youth should be safe from bullying? Come together in one giant orange message of hope and support, WEAR AND SHARE ORANGE to color our nation, and even the world, visibly showing that our society believes that no child should ever experience bullying.

"ORANGE provides a powerful, visually compelling expression of solidarity," said Paula Goldberg,
Executive Director of PACER Center. "Whether it's hundreds of individuals at a school wearing
ORANGE, store owners offering ORANGE products, or a community changing a landmark to ORANGE,
the vibrant statement becomes a conversation starter, sending the supportive, universal message that
bullying is never acceptable behavior.

Coffee with Counselors

School Counselors are thrilled to bring back Coffee with Counselors! Our monthly conversation will be hosted on the third Thursday (October 15) of each month at 9:00am. *A Zoom participation link will be sent the morning of the meeting to those who sign up using the form below.* Participants may use this link https://forms.gle/hBKRbryhh7jA7aBb9 to sign up for all sessions at one time or monthly as schedules allow. We look forward to chatting with you!

Newcomers Lunch

Excited for our second Newcomers Lunch! We look forward to chatting with new students and learning about the first quarter at WHS. If you are new to the Weddington cluster, we invite you to join Mr. Smith and Ms. Wiles **virtually** if you are a student who does not come into the building or if you do come into the building, you are invited to join in the **counseling commons**.

Who? New students to the Weddington Cluster

What? Newcomers Lunch

When? Thursday, October 15, during your assigned lunch

Where? Virtually or in the Counseling Commons

Why? To connect with fellow Warriors!

Pre-registration is required at this link which can only be accessed by a UCPS student,

https://forms.gle/MpGZMVGpiNKHPjsY9

Pizza will be served to those joining in the conversation in the counseling commons.

A Teams link will be sent to all who have pre-registered, Thursday morning.

Virtual College Visits

Virtual college visits will be hosted via Zoom during each lunch. Sessions will be open to all students however priority registration will be given to upperclassmen. Colleges visit schedule, sign-up, and participation links can be found in Scoir.

WHS Fall Virtual College Fair October 29th, 8:am - 4:pm

Pre-registration is required. Please click on the link below to register.

https://forms.gle/UDhp9ZFhAwZNThUu9

PowerSchool https://www.ucps.k12.nc.us/Domain/11

Union County Public Schools is pleased to provide you with access to current grades and attendance information for your student(s) in grades K through 12 via the Internet. Both you and your student will have access to this information through our PowerSchool Portal.

Canvas https://www.ucps.k12.nc.us/Page/6519

Please reference Quick Links on the WHS website to locate the "Canvas Observer Information" sheet for step by step instructions and videos specific to setting up an account.

Microsoft Teams https://www.ucps.k12.nc.us/Page/7001

Scoir https://www.ucps.k12.nc.us/Page/7558

Please reference the Scoir folder in the School Counseling Canvas page for a menu of detailed information and videos around setting up an account, downloading the app., viewing the calendar, etc.

PC19/Letter Grade - grade change form

Please reference Quick Links on the WHS website to locate the "Spring 2020 Spring Semester Grade Change Form" if a grade different than the one finalized in Power School is preferred. Please note the final day to process this for is Monday, October 12, 2020 at 8:00am.



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Canvas Observer Info 20-21.pdf





Canvas Parent Readiness Checklist.pdf





Copy of PowerSchool Mobile App for Parents.pdf





PowerSchool Mobile App for Students.pdf





Parent Portal new account instructions.pdf





Student_Join_MS_Teams_Meeting_Canvas_Calendar.pdf



ATHLETIC INFORMATION

Please visit <u>www.ucpsathletics.com/weddington</u> for up to date information! We are happy to provide workout experiences for those interested in participating in athletics this school year. We encourage you to reach out directly to your coach if you have any questions regarding the schedule. All athletes must submit their athletic registration through FamilyID and be approved prior to starting workouts. Beginning October 5th, we are allowing multi-sport athletes to participate in workouts for two sports. Each athlete is limited to 90 minutes per day. Please reach out to your coach for more information.

Coaches Directory

Eligibility Website

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

Weddington High School Athletic Booster Club

The WHSABC is excited to open our new and approved spirit wear store! Be sure to stop by for some new Warrior gear! Lots of new options and some old favorites! All proceeds go to support our athletic teams! https://www.ucpsathletics.com/whsabconlinestores

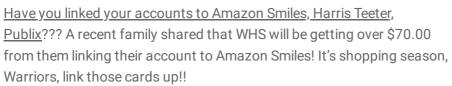




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CONGRATULATIONS to Ms. Parrott for being awarded a teacher minigrant this semester!!





Join your PTSO Go to www.whsptso.com

October Happenings:

October 14th Site Base Meeting

October 16th Senior Treat Day Blue Bunny Ice Cream Truck

3:00p-5:00p Warrior Snow Cone (Gluten and Peanut free) and individually wrapped ice creams.

October 19th Week of celebrating our Staff with Restaurant deals

October 23rd No School





