



# 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, October 29    | 4:30 PM | JV/V Men's Soccer vs. Sun Valley (Home)        |
|                       | 7:00 PM | National Honor Society Inductions              |
| Tuesday, October 30   |         |  |
| Wednesday, October 31 |         |  |
| Thursday, November 1  | 6:30 PM | JV Football vs. Cuthbertson (Home)             |
| Friday, November 2    | 7:30 PM | V Football @ Cuthbertson (Away)                |
| Saturday, November 3  | 3:30 PM | Cross Country State Championship (Redmon Park) |
|                       | TBD     | Men's Varsity Soccer Playoffs (Location TBD)   |

## Public Forum on Teenage Vaping

Weddington High School is pleased to invite all community members to a public forum and panel discussion on the issue of teenage vaping. This vaping issue is one of which we all must be aware for the safety and wellbeing of our young people. On the evening of **November 13 at 6:30 p.m.**, Weddington High School will host a panel discussion and Q and A session with a diverse group of stakeholders including a Union County sheriff's deputy, a school administrator, a parent of a current high school student, a college student, a child mental health professional, and a pediatrician. This group will share information insights into the issue of vaping and ways that we as a community can combat this dangerous activity. Please use the following link to submit your questions

and concerns about vaping so that our panel discussion can be tailored to these questions and concerns of our audience: <https://goo.gl/forms/VmpJ54DC3gZutW1z1>.

Please be on the lookout for further information about this event via social media, eblast, and our school website.

## **Marching Warriors**

Our WHS marching band has recently acquired a number of special recognitions in various competitions including the following: Mount Pleasant H.S. Showcase of Champions-Daniel Boles Spirit of Music Award; Forestview H.S. Jaguar Classic- 2nd place General Effect, Percussion, Color Guard, 1st place Marching, and Drum Major, 2nd Place Overall in Class 3A; Mooresville H.S. Blue Devil Classic-2nd place Percussion, 3rd Place Overall in Class 4A.

The band will wrap up their competition season this Saturday, October 27 at the Porter Ridge H.S. Pirate Cove Classic. They perform at 2:30 and would love to have a big Warrior cheering section at this local show. Finally, congratulations to *Ruth Donadieu*, *Nathan Kummerer*, and *Tim Cho* for being selected to attend the Winthrop University Invitational Honor Band Clinic!

## **WHS Teacher of the Year**

Congratulations to Math teacher Mr. Tim Higgins on his selection as the 2018-2019 Weddington High School teacher of the year! Tim is a dedicated educator who brings energy and passion to every period of every school day. Tim exemplifies the attributes of positivity, professionalism, and student-centeredness.

Congratulations, as well, to Mrs. Andrea Cook and Mr. Michael Schnee who were finalists along with Mr. Higgins for the selection. The process started with colleague nominations for the recognition, and then a voting process narrowed the field to three finalists. The final selection for teacher of the year was made by a team of three UCPS staffers (a principal, an assistant principal, and a Central Services employee). The selection team indicated that the interview and observation process resulted in a very tight competition, but Tim came out on top.

Let's all wish Tim the best as he advances to the district-wide teacher of the year process.

## **Staff Appreciation**

### **Gathering of the Pies! Gathering of the Pies! Monday, November 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>**

The PTSO Staff Appreciation Committee is asking for parents' help with the annual "Gathering of the Pies". Each year, we love to give each staff member at Weddington High School the gift of a pie to take home and enjoy with family and friends. It is our way of saying, "Thank you for the awesome job you do!" This includes teachers, administrators, office staff, bus drivers, traffic directors, as well as custodial and cafeteria support staff—for a total of 133 pies! Please sign up to help out!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C044AACAA2CA6FE3-thanksgiving3>

## **Order Your Yearbook Now!**

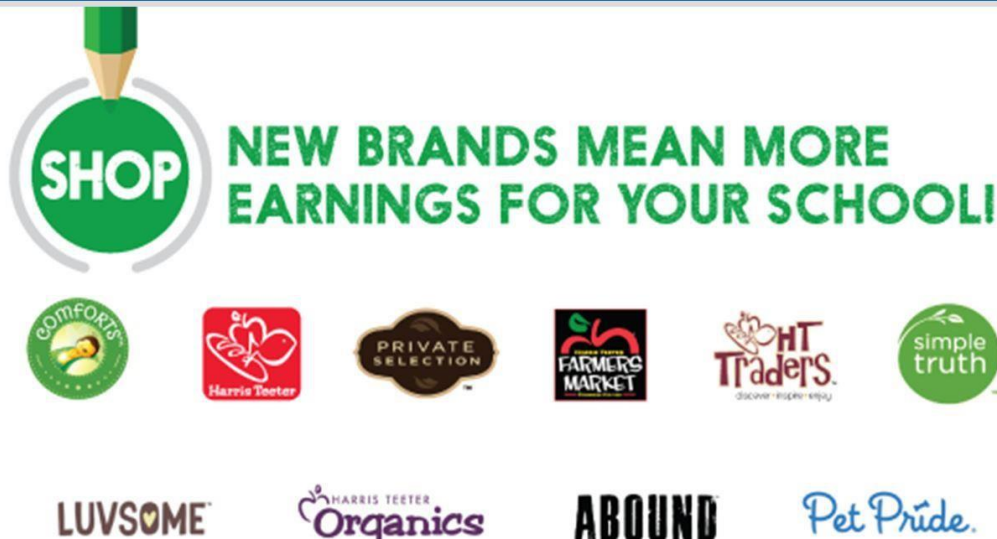
Yearbooks are currently on sale, and students may place their order for this year's edition. You may simply visit [www.jostens.com](http://www.jostens.com) for more information (be sure to select Weddington High School as the school name), or contact our yearbook advisor with inquiries ([sasha.freger@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:sasha.freger@ucps.k12.nc.us)). Orders will be taken through midNovember, so please don't miss out on this opportunity.

## **2018-2019 Green Machine Shirts**

Green Machine shirts are currently being sold for the 2018-2019 school year. Students may purchase Green Machine shirts for \$10.

## **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](http://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](http://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](mailto: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](mailto:pdrishe@yahoo.com)) or Torrie Newman ([torrie@newmansplace.com](mailto: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](mailto: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](http://www.harristeeter.com) and click TOGETHER IN EDUCATION (TIE)...or add WHS to your card the next time you visit your local Harris Teeter.



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### 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

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Attn: PTSO  
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### 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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