



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
Saturday, September 29	8:00 AM	Volleyball @ Charlotte Latin (Serve for the Cure) (Away)
Monday, October 1	3:00 PM	Women's Golf vs. Parkwood (@ Stonebridge)
	4:30 PM	JV/V Men's Soccer @ Cuthbertson (Away)
Tuesday, October 2	4:00 PM	Women's Tennis vs. Piedmont (Home)
	4:30 PM	JV/V Volleyball vs. Charlotte Catholic (Home)
	4:30 PM	Cross Country Meet (Home)
Wednesday, October 3	4:30 PM	JV/V Men's Soccer vs. Parkwood (Home)
	6:30 PM	FAFSA and SPCC Interest Event (auditorium)
Thursday, October 4	4:00 PM	Women's Tennis vs. Cuthbertson (Home)
	4:30 PM	JV/V Volleyball @ Marvin Ridge (Away)
	4:30 PM	JV/V Men's Soccer vs. Charlotte Catholic (Home)
	6:30 PM	JV Football @ Piedmont (Away)
Friday, October 5	7:30 PM	V Football vs. Piedmont (Home) – PINK OUT!
Saturday, October 6	TBD	Cross Country @ WakeMed Park (Away)

Favorite WHS Staff Member!

The PTSO recently implemented an initiative in which many of our students voted for their favorite WHS staff member. Congratulations to our office manager, Mrs. Melinda Price, for receiving the most votes and thus the

title of Most Beloved Staff Member at Weddington High School. If you've met Mrs. Price, then we're sure that you would agree that this is a well-deserved honor! Thanks to our PTSO for presenting Mrs. Price with a \$50 gift card in recognition of this honor.

Pink Out!

The Warrior Pink Out will occur at the home football game versus Piedmont on Friday, October 5. We hope that our students and their families will show up to the game wearing their shirts in recognition and support of breast cancer awareness. Shirts will be on sale by our WHS cheerleading team for \$10 during lunches during the week of 10/1. Cash or check will be accepted for purchases. All proceeds will be donated to the Susan G. Komen Foundation.

Free College Board Testing Offered within UCPS

Please see the attachment to this Warrior Weekly email message which details free College Board testing offered within UCPS. These tests include the PSAT (all 10th graders and some 11th graders) and SAT (all 11th graders). Please take note of the more detailed information below about the PSAT.

Juniors who scored in the 90th percentile or above on the PSAT last year as tenth graders were selected by the school district to be required to test again, and the test is FREE for these students. If your Junior student is in this group, then he/she received a PSAT student guide today (9/28) in homeroom with a letter about this process. Scores from the Junior year administration are the scores which count toward National Merit Scholarship consideration. All other Junior students who did not score at or above the 90th percentile in Grade 10 may sign up in the Guidance Department to take the test for a \$25 charge made payable by cash or check to Weddington High School. Tests are offered on a first come, first served basis, and unfortunately, there is a limit to how many students may test. Questions about this process may be directed to our Guidance Department.

9th graders who are currently in Math II or who have already completed Math II are also encouraged to take the test. 9th graders may register (\$25 fee). Again, test spots are limited.

Many WHS students will take the PSAT multiple times before actually taking the SAT test. The PSAT is only offered once per academic year, and there is no makeup. The deadline to register for the test is October 5th.

FAFSA and SPCC Interest Night

Senior students and parents are invited to attend a FAFSA and SPCC college interest night next Wednesday October 3rd at 6:30 p.m. in the WHS auditorium. The event will begin with an admissions representative from SPCC (South Piedmont Community College) at 6:30 p.m. We will break for a short intermission and will begin with FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) information at 7:00 p.m. If your student is not interested in taking SPCC classes for dual enrollment, you should plan to arrive at 7:00.

Many students state they are not going to complete the FAFSA because they do not believe that they will qualify for any financial aid. Please know that FAFSA is not just for financial aid, but also for scholarships and merit aid. Students are ineligible to accept any money if they have not completed the FAFSA. The FAFSA process can be an overwhelming process, so we hope that this session will provide you with all of the necessary tools for the application.

Junior Students and Parents...You are invited to attend from 6:30- 7:00 for the SPCC college interest meeting.

Powderpuff

Attached to this Warrior Weekly email message is a flyer with details about our annual Powderpuff football game between Weddington, Marvin Ridge, and Cuthbertson. This is a fun community event which will benefit Hurricane Florence relief efforts this year. We hope to see you there!

The Weddington Witness

The Weddington Witness is an electronic student newspaper which was recently started by WHS Junior student Trevor Moore. We invite you to check out this new mass media tool which may be accessed in the Quick Links section of our school website.

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 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). Orders will be taken through mid-November, 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.

Senior Breakfast

The first senior breakfast was on Friday, September 21st beginning at 7:00 a.m. in the Media Center. All members of the Class of 2019 are invited to these free breakfasts. This was the first of many events that the PTSO provides for our senior Warriors. The Senior Events initiative is fully funded by voluntary parent donations of \$35 per senior. To contribute, go to whsptso.com.

Friday Staff Treats

The PTSO still needs help with providing next week's staff treat. This has been a tradition at WHS that we aim to continue. Please use the link below to sign up. Thank you!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C044AACAA2CA6FE3-friday19>

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



Our **ONLY** fundraiser!

Invest in Excellence

Invest in Excellence is the PTSTO'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

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Invest in Excellence Disbursement of \$17,000.00

- Upgrading the lighting in the Auditorium - \$1,000.00
- English Department requests purchasing additional textbooks for Speech & Debate - \$500.00
- Upgrading the items for example tables and chairs - \$5,000.00
- Wall Murals around the inside of the building - \$6,000.00
- Writing Center for students -\$1,000.00
- Social Studies Department requests world flags, posters, videos.
- Partnered with the school towards the purchase of instructional technology (IXL & Nearpod)- \$10,000.00

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 PTSTO. 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 PTSTO tables during the August open house. You may also Invest online at www.whsptso.com.

2018-2019 PTSTO BOARD

President: Torrie Newman
Vice President: Ashley Bhargava
Treasurer: Sherri McGirt
Secretary: Amanda Fink
Invest in Excellence & Membership:
Staff Appreciation: Trude Gretz,
 Amanda Fink

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: Trude Gretz (trudegretz@icloud.com) and 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.



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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

_____ 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: _____

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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