

# Warrior Weekly

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# Weddington High School

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## IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

**Sunday, September 26th:** WHS "Green Machine" Apparel Sale Ends (see information below)

**Wednesday, September 29th:** Jostens at school during lunches for Cap and Gown orders (see information below)

**Thursday, September 30th:** Underclassman Picture Day (see information below)

**Friday, October 1st:** Extended due date for School Forms to be completed in FamilyID. (see information below)

## HOMECOMING 2021





The 2021 Homecoming Dance will take place outside on the Warrior Athletic Fields. Details are still being worked out. Additional information regarding the dance including ticketing information will be shared next week.

## BACK TO SCHOOL FORMS

**DUE DATE HAS BEEN EXTENDED TO FRIDAY,  
OCTOBER 1ST**

**Important: The required back to school forms were due today. The due date to turn in the forms has been extended to Friday, October 1st** as many families have not completed the required forms at this time. Please ensure that these forms are completed asap as they are required for all students.



We are utilizing the convenience of online form completion through FamilyID for required these back to school forms! FamilyID is a secure registration platform that provides you with an easy, user-friendly way to complete forms, and helps us to be more administratively efficient. When you register through Family ID, the system keeps track of your information in your FamilyID profile. You enter your information only once for each family member for multiple uses and multiple programs.



The due date to complete all required school forms is Friday, October 1st by 11:59pm.

## PLEASE JOIN OUR PTSO

### Don't Delay, Join Today!

Join your PTSO for only \$25 for a family membership. The PTSO provides support to teachers, parents, and students throughout the year with your membership and donations. Join and pay from the car line or your own home! Please see the PTSO section of this newsletter below for additional PTSO information and upcoming dates!

## EARLY DISMISSAL AND ABSENCE NOTES

If you are picking up your students for an appointments, etc. , please be sure that you send a note with your student the morning of the appointment for them to give to Ms. Bowen, our attendance counselor. In doing so, they will get a ticket to be dismissed from class at the appropriate time. In holding our students accountable to this process, we can protect class time.

In accordance with the UCPS Attendance Policy, missing 15 minutes or more of a class period is an absence.

**We are currently experience a high volume of absence notes. Our staff is entering those notes as quickly as possible. Please be aware that the excused absence may take a few days to be reflected in PowerSchool. We appreciate your patience and understanding.**

## UNDERCLASSMEN PICTURE DAY



**PICTURE DAY**  
IS COMING SOON  
**PRE-ORDER**  
**& SAVE \$10**

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CADY.COM/PICTUREDAY

Don't miss your chance to be in the yearbook! Picture day is happening on Thursday, September 30th during first period. Pre-order your photos today and save \$10 at [www.cady.com/pictureday](http://www.cady.com/pictureday). Cady is cashless, so no checks or cash will be accepted on picture day—students can pre-order online at [www.cady.com/pictureday](http://www.cady.com/pictureday) prior to picture day and those that do not pre-order will receive proofs and a link to view and order after picture day. All orders will be shipped to students' homes, not to the school.

## YEARBOOKS FOR THE 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR ON SALE NOW

Yearbooks are now on sale for the 2021-2022. Purchase your yearbook now at [Jostens.com](http://Jostens.com) to get the lowest price of the year along with free personalization.

### Senior Recognition Ads for the Yearbook

Senior parents can now create a special ad celebrating their senior's milestones and successes. Ads are created by the parents directly through Jostens using the following link:

<https://www.jostens.com/apps/store/customer/1163950/Weddington-High-School/>

Purchase by October 11th to receive the lowest price of the year. Attached below is a pricing flyer and a Quick Start Guide to help parents get started.





Yearbook Ad Instructions L...

[drive.google.com](https://drive.google.com)



Weddington HS Senior A...

[drive.google.com](https://drive.google.com)

## WHS STAFF SHOWCASE

### WHS School Resource Officer: Deputy Byrum

**Hometown:** Waxhaw, NC

**Years of Service:** 16 years with the UCSO, 7 years as SRO at WHS

**Favorite Activity:** Spending time with my family

**Favorite Restaurant:** Mama Ricottas

**Favorite Weddington Traditions:** Paint Warrior on Senior Day

**Best Thing about Weddington:** The sense of family among the teachers and students

**Hobbies/Interests:** Playing frisbee golf and working off duty for Weddington events

**Best piece of advice for students:** Never forget where you came from, but keep your eyes on where you are going.

**Random/fun fact about you:** I can do all types of impersonations!



Weddington High School is thankful to have Deputy Chris Byrum as our school resource officer (SRO). Deputy Byrum welcomes student and parent input. He can be reached by calling the school or via email at [chris.byrum@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:chris.byrum@ucps.k12.nc.us)

## COUNSELING DEPARTMENT

### Meet WHS's School Counselor: Dr. Mary Jordan

#### Biography

**Counselor:** Dr. Mary Jordan

**Department Chair, School Counseling**

9th- 12th: S-Z

NC Regional Vice-President School Counselor Association, SW Region 6

NC Co-Chair Public School Counselor Initiative

**Hometown:** Clarksburg, West Virginia

**Education:**



- Licensed Professional Counselor
- Nationally Certified Counselor
- Nationally Certified School Counselor
- Bachelor of Arts, Family and Consumer Sciences
- Master of Science, Counseling
- Post-Master of Science, Administration and Supervision
- Post-Master of Science, College Counseling
- Doctorate of Education, Special Education



**Favorite Activity in Weddington:**

- Sound checks before evening events!!
- Football games!
- Lunchtime in the cafeteria!

**Favorite Restaurant:** Maggiano's

**Favorite Weddington Tradition:**

Graduation Tunnel - After graduation commencement all staff members form a tunnel cheering with Warrior pride for our graduates. I've only been fortunate enough to participate in this event one time... believe me it's possible to ugly cry and cheer at the same time. J L

**Best Thing about Weddington:** our STUDENTS

**Random/fun fact about you:** I love to run! In honor of my late grandfather, I completed the Marine Corps Marathon in Washington, DC. I've also challenged myself to run a half marathon in each state. So far I've crossed the finish line in...

- Virginia
- Maryland
- Washington DC
- Florida
- California
- Georgia
- Tennessee
- North Carolina

My favorite run to date has been last year's *St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital* half. The 2020 run event is just around the corner. I've put together team **Blisters** to fundraise for the children and families. Distance choices for the event are 5k, 10k, half, or full marathon...calling all Warriors to join me!!!

**Best piece of advice for prospective students:**

It is not the critic who counts; not the man who points out how the strong man stumbles, or where the doer of deeds could have done them better. The credit belongs to the man who is actually in the arena, whose face is marred by dust and sweat and blood; who strives valiantly; who errs, who comes short again and again, because there is no effort without error and shortcoming; but who does actually strive to do the deeds; who knows great enthusiasms, the great devotions; who spends himself in a worthy cause; who at the best knows in the end the triumph of high achievement, and who at the worst, if he fails, at least fails while daring greatly, so that his place shall never be with those cold and timid souls who neither know victory nor defeat. Theodore Roosevelt, The Man in the Arena. Excerpt from the speech "Citizenship In A Republic", delivered at the Sorbonne, in Paris, France on 23 April, 1910

**College Visits**

On campus college visits are back! Wondering who will be on campus this week? Check the board in the cafeteria. Semester one visits are open to Seniors and Juniors.



1. Log into Scoir
2. Click on 3 lines in top right corner
3. Click on "Events and Deadlines"
4. Search for college of interest & sign up
5. Visits are in the Counseling Commons

### **Be in the room where it happens!**

Check Scoir daily. In the time it's taken to write this email, five colleges have signed up to visit WHS just to see YOU!

### **School Counseling Webpage**

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

### **Secrets of Paying for College**

Monday, September 27

6:30-8:30

Register here! <https://www.thecollegefundingcoach.org/class/weddington-high-school-3/>

- SEE FLYER BELOW

We are excited to announce Weddington High School and Marvin High School will be co-hosting a free webinar with **The College Funding Coach®** on **September 27th at 6:30pm**. This virtual event is for any family wanting to learn how to pay for college (designed for families with students in grades K – 12).

*The College Funding Coach®* was founded in 2002 to help families better understand the complexities of paying for college and how to make higher education more affordable. Since that time, *The College Funding Coach®* team has been on a mission to help families save on the high cost of higher education. They have established an approach that helps parents understand the college funding process, reduce their out-of-pocket expenses, and balance the challenge of saving for college and retirement simultaneously.

This is a free educational event. Please register by clicking below, or you can use the link found in the flyer below.

**Link to Register:** <https://www.thecollegefundingcoach.org/class/weddington-high-school-3/>

**Senior Conferences** are in full swing!

Email your counselor today to set up an apt. to discuss college essays, applications, Scoir, Common App, Coalition, and much more!

### **FAFSA**

Federal Student Aid (FSA) will be hosting a two-day Virtual Financial Aid Bootcamp on **October 19 and 21, 2021**. This bootcamp will feature information designed to help participants learn about the federal financial aid process and how to complete the **2022-23 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA® form)**. This bootcamp is ideal for students and parents.

Please see the attached flyer..

Registration link: <https://web.event.com/event/c15eebe6-88c3-4b09-ae30-641b3dfb69a0/summary>

### **School Counselor Caseload Assignments**

Student last name beginning with: A-C

Ms. Mallika Raian: [mallika.raian@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:mallika.raian@ucps.k12.nc.us)

Student last name beginning with: D-H

Ms. Rebecca Wiles: [rebecca.wiles@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:rebecca.wiles@ucps.k12.nc.us)

Student last name beginning with: I-M

Mrs. Jackie Washington: [jackie.washington@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:jackie.washington@ucps.k12.nc.us)

Student last name beginning with: N-R

Ms. Shelby Allen: [shelby.allen@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:shelby.allen@ucps.k12.nc.us)

Student last name beginning with: S-Z

Dr. Mary Jordan: [mary.jordan@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:mary.jordan@ucps.k12.nc.us)



[CFC Webinar Flyer.pdf](#)

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[2021.09 College Readine...](#)

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[FSA Financial Aid Bootca...](#)

[drive.google.com](https://drive.google.com)

## SENIOR CAP AND GOWNS



# Weddington High School Class of 2022 Cap & Gown **ORDERS!**

Jostens mailed home a packet that includes ALL of the information that you will need to order your cap & gown, graduation announcements, senior clothing & 2022 keepsakes. It is important that Seniors and Parents review this packet together. You may order online at [www.jostens.com](http://www.jostens.com) or by scanning the QR Code below.



# Weddington Order Day!



Date: **Wednesday, September 29<sup>th</sup>**  
Time: During Lunches  
Place: At School

**Minimum \$60<sup>00</sup> Deposit**  
(Cash, Check, ALL major Credit Cards accepted.)  
Orders less than \$60 must be paid in full.

## Graduation Ordering Process – It's easy to order!

### GRAD ANNOUNCEMENTS & SENIOR CLOTHING ORDER FORM

**IMPORTANT:** If you plan on sending out the TRADITIONAL School Graduation Announcements to family and friends, you **MUST** pre-order them **NOW!** (These are specifically designed by your school.)

- Complete the top of the form with your personal information. Please print clearly!
- Decide which Announcement Package best suits your needs.
- **REMEMBER:** If you are not ordering a package, you can order items individually. Graduation Announcements DO NOT include the Name Cards. (Name Cards must be ordered separately.)

### CAP/GOWN ORDER \$33.<sup>95</sup> plus s/h & tax (includes cap/gown/tassel):

- Be sure to include your height/weight. No measuring necessary.

### **BRING YOUR ORDER FORMS AND YOUR DEPOSIT ON THE DATES LISTED ABOVE.**

- **Deposit of \$60.00 is required.** Credit card, cash, money order or personal checks are accepted. (Orders less than \$60 must be paid in full.)

### Easy Payments

Invoices will be mailed within 3-4 weeks from order date.

Payments are interest free and you decide how much you want to pay monthly.

**Final Balances due in full by Feb. 1, 2022.**



## SENIOR PRIDE

**Russell Honrine**

910.895.8471

honrineoffice@jostens.com



Jostens Flyer.pdf

[Download](#)  
1.0 MB

## SENIOR PORTRAIT SESSION INFORMATION

Weddington High School is excited to announce that we will be working with CADY Studios this year. All senior portrait sessions will be held at their studio and not at the school as in the past. There are several portrait options that families can choose. The \$30 session is the most basic senior session offered and includes yearbook photo, cap/gown photo, choice of a casual scene photo. **Senior families can now book your sessions through December 14th.**

To book your studio experience, please go to [www.cady.com/schedule](http://www.cady.com/schedule) or call the studio at the phone number below. If you do not schedule a studio session, then we will have a makeup day on December 15th for seniors at school. However, this session will only include the yearbook photo.

Please contact Anna Waldrup if you have any questions via email at [anna.waldrup@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:anna.waldrup@ucps.k12.nc.us).

CADY Studios address and phone number.  
2201 Crownpoint Executive Dr., Suite E



## GREEN MACHINE APPAREL SALE

### WEDDINGTON HIGH SCHOOL APPAREL SALE

**BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND, WE HAVE OPENED THE SITE BACK UP FOR A 2ND SALE! THIS ORDER WILL ARRIVE IN MID OCTOBER!**

Place your order at <https://stores.inksoft.com/wed015>

Sale ends: Sunday, September 26, 2021

Order your Green Machine apparel now by clicking [HERE](#). See the attached flyer below for more information.



Green Machine Apparel Flyer.pdf

[Download](#)  
544.8 KB

## ATHLETIC INFORMATION



### Athletic Department Update

Swim Interest Meeting- anyone interested in joining the swim and dive team should plan on meeting in the media center at 7:30am on September 30th. If you cannot make the meeting, please email Coach Fischer at [cfisher36@carolina.rr.com](mailto:cfisher36@carolina.rr.com)

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



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!





Shell Gas Station  
13801 Providence Rd S  
Weddington, NC 28104

# W PUMP #5

The Weddington High School Athletic Booster club is excited to partner with Brewer Hendley Oil Company! Be sure to stop by pump #5 at the Shell Gas Station at Weddington Corners (Providence & 84)! 1 cent per gallon pumped on pump #5 will be donated to the WHSABC through September!

WEDDINGTON HIGH SCHOOL PTSO

WHS PTSO welcome General 21/22





We need your help!!!! Please consider donating a box or two of tissues to the school. We have already gone through our limited supply. Just have you student drop off the Kleenex in the front office. THANK YOU!

### Membership:

Please go to [www.whsptso.com](http://www.whsptso.com) and be a part of the Weddington Way and join a history of greatness.

I know you're curious about our current standing for which class has the most memberships! A treat is being awarded during lunch time towards the end of October. You have until Friday October, 15th to join and allow your membership to be counted in our friendly competition.

9th Grade (487 students).....11.9%  
10th Grade (488 students).....14.3%  
11th Grade (450 students)..... 8.4%  
12th Grade (434 students).....27.2%

### September Happenings:

9/24/21 Staff Breakfast  
9/24/21 Teacher mini-grant submissions due

### October Happenings:

10/6 Staff Meeting  
10/8 Staff Breakfast  
10/13 Special Senior Event immediately after early dismissal  
10/21 Coffee with Counselors  
10/21 New Student Luncheon  
10/22 Staff Breakfast  
10/29 Staff Grab and Go Breakfast

### Senior Events:

Thanks to our volunteers that helped to make our first traditional Senior Breakfast a success! Our Senior Event Co-Chairs have a special event planned for October to take place during the early release day.

Follow us on Facebook @weddingtonhighschoolptso (WHS PTSO) and Instagram @whs\_ptso. Email us at [w.d.h.s.ptso.nc@gmail.com](mailto:w.d.h.s.ptso.nc@gmail.com)

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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