

Warrior Weekly

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LABOR DAY IS MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 6TH



All UCPS schools **will be closed Monday, September 6th** in observance of Labor Day. We hope that our students and families have a wonderful, relaxing three day weekend!

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

Monday, September 6th: NO SCHOOL in observance of Labor Day

Monday, September 13th: Curriculum Night (see information below)

Wednesday, September 22nd: Jostens at school during lunches for Cap and Gown orders (see information below)

Friday, September 24th : School Forms should be completed in FamilyID. (see information below)

CURRICULUM NIGHT

This year's curriculum night will be held on Monday, September 13th, at 6:00 pm. All parents are asked to report directly to your child's first period class. The event will begin promptly at 6:00pm with first period teachers showing a virtual message from Dr. Kraftson and the WHS PTSO. After the message from Dr. Kraftson and the PTSO, parents will then follow their child's schedule beginning with first period for a 12 minute presentation from the teacher. This will be an opportunity for teachers to provide an overview of their course content and class expectations. Please note that the teachers will not be available for parent/teacher conferences during this event. PARENTS...please be sure to take a picture of your child's schedule on your phone, and bring it to this event so that you are able to navigate his/her schedule.

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!

TARDIES

It is extremely important that all students arrive at school on-time and are in the classroom when the morning bell rings. We recognize that the increased traffic during the first two weeks of school has made this challenging. Now that parents and students have had a couple of weeks to get adjusted to the traffic and arrival/dismissal procedures, we will begin officially taking tardies beginning **Tuesday, September 7th**. Please review the tardy policy with your child as this will be enforced. The tardy policy is available in the student handbook which can be accessed by clicking [HERE](#). A copy of the tardy policy is also attached below. Bus riders who are late due to their bus being delayed/late will not be marked tardy.



Weddington High School Tardy Policy.pdf

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374.6 KB

DRESS CODE

Parents, we need your help. Over the past two weeks, students have been repeatedly reminded of the dress code and the importance of following it. The dress code was specifically addressed this week during our virtual grade level assemblies. Despite these repeated reminders, we continue to have a large number of students not following dress code. Please take time to review the dress code with your child and reinforce the importance of them following it. The dress code is available in the student handbook which can be accessed by clicking [HERE](#). A copy of the dress code is also attached below. Thank you for your support with this.



Weddington High School Dress Code Policy.pdf

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ARRIVAL & DISMISSAL/TRANSPORTATION

We continue to encourage students and parents to allow extra time to get to school in the morning. We kindly ask that students are not dropped off or picked up in the student parking lot or in the bus lot

All student drop-offs in the morning and pick-ups at dismissal are to be done in the car rider line. We also ask that all cars continue to pull all the way down in the car rider line as directed by staff. This allows more students to access their rides at one time, thereby speeding up the pick-up process.

Students are not to park in the church parking lot across from the school or on the streets in surrounding neighborhoods. Our local neighborhoods have contacted the school asking that students not park on the streets in their neighborhood. Vehicles can be towed by the neighborhood at the owners expense.

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.

MEET OUR SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER (SRO)



Weddington High School is thankful to have Deputy Chris Byrum as our school resource officer! Deputy Byrum has served as the SRO at Weddington High School for 6 years. Deputy Byrum can be reached via email at chris.byrum@ucps.k12.nc.us or by calling the school.

DID YOU MISS THE CLUB WALK?

Please view the list of active clubs that we have here at WHS. If you see a club that you are interested in, please reach out to the appropriate club advisor.

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](https://www.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



[Weddington HS Senior A...](#)

drive.google.com

BACK TO SCHOOL FORMS

We are utilizing the convenience of online form completion through FamilyID for required 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.

[Weddington High School FamilyID](#)

The due date to complete all required school forms is Friday, September 24th by 11:59pm.

COUNSELING DEPARTMENT

Welcome Ms. Allen! Meet WHS's Newest School Counselor

Caseload: N-R, 9th-12th

Hometown: Hilton Head Island, SC

Education: Bachelor of Arts in Human Services Studies with minors in Education and Leadership Studies from Elon University (Go Phoenix!) and a Master of Education in Professional School Counseling from the University of Virginia (Go Hoos!)

Favorite Activity in Charlotte: Picnicking at the U.S. National Whitewater Center

Favorite Restaurant in Charlotte: Paco's Tacos

Best Thing About Weddington: School spirit!

Hobbies/Interests: I am very family-oriented, so I love spending time with my friends and family! My family in Charlotte consists of my fiancé, Cameron, and our 2 dogs, Lucy and Baxter. I also love to workout at Burn Bootcamp in SouthPark, go to the movies, and try new restaurants.

Best Advice: "Don't let the fear of striking out, keep you from playing the game." - Babe Ruth I love this quote not only because baseball is my favorite sport, but also because the fear of failure can keep us from experiencing all life has to offer. You may surprise yourself and learn important lessons along the way. WHS is here to support you, so keep trying and don't be afraid to ask for help.

Fun Fact: I'm adopted! I have 2 siblings that were also adopted, and we are from different families.



School Counseling Webpage

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

School Counseling Canvas

Can be found on the schoolwide Canvas page.

Coffee with Counselors

School Counselors are thrilled to bring back Coffee with Counselors! Our monthly (open) conversations will be hosted on the third Thursday of each month at 10:00am. However, this month Cw/C will be on September 23, in person, in the Counseling Commons. Please use this link to sign up, <https://forms.gle/qyQRDrLX49Vcuo2DA> We look forward to chatting with you!

Newcomers Lunch

The very first newcomers lunch will be held during all lunches September 23. Invitations and a link to RSVP will be emailed to all "new to WHS cluster" students during the week of September 13th.

PowerSchool

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/cms/lib/NC01910453/Centricity/Domain/3475/Student_Join_MS_Team_s_Meeting_Canvas_Calendar.pdf

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.

Senior Night

Seniors and parents/guardians are invited to participate in senior information night. The virtual session will be held Thursday, September 9th, 7:00. Presentation topics will include but not limited to: Scoir, college application guidebook, college application process, requesting a transcript, requesting letters of recommendation, etc. Please click on this link <https://forms.gle/PypSu2iwGYaXaj6jZ> to pre-register. A participation link will be sent to all who pre-register at 6:pm on Thursday, September 9th.

Secrets of Paying for College

Monday September 27th

6:30-8:30

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

- SEE FLYER LINKED BELOW

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!

School Counselor Caseload Assignments

Student last name beginning with: A-C

Ms. Mallika Rajan: mallika.rajana@ucps.k12.nc.us

Student last name beginning with: D-H

Ms. Rebecca Wiles: rebecca.wiles@ucps.k12.nc.us

Student last name beginning with: I-M

Mrs. Jackie Washington: jackie.washington@ucps.k12.nc.us

Student last name beginning with: N-R

Ms. Shelby Allen: shelby.allen@ucps.k12.nc.us

Student last name beginning with: S-Z

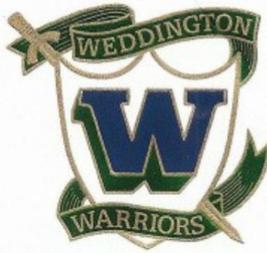
Dr. Mary Jordan: mary.jordan@ucps.k12.nc.us



 CFC Webinar Flyer.pdf

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 or by scanning the QR Code below.



Date: **Wednesday, September 22nd**
Time: During Lunches
Place: At School

Minimum \$60⁰⁰ 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 \$33.⁹⁵ 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

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1.0 MB

SENIOR PARKING SPOT CHALKING EVENT



The event will be on **Saturday, September 18th from 8 am until 11 am**. The event will include breakfast, outdoor games, music, yearbook signing, and chalking your parking spot in the student lot (design approval required). This event is for Seniors only.

There will be a \$10 fee to participate in the event which can be paid through online school payments which can be accessed by clicking [HERE](#). Payment is due by Friday, September 10th. This is a senior student government sponsored event, and all proceeds will go towards this year's Senior Week events.

Additional details regarding the event including requirements for participating can be found in the document linked below.

A rain date will be provided if needed.



Weddington High Senior Chalking Event

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Weddington High Senior ...

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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 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.

CADY Studios address and phone number.

2201 Crownpoint Executive Dr., Suite E

Charlotte, NC 28227

704-859-0737

GREEN MACHINE SHIRTS NOW AVAILABLE

Our student section is called The Green Machine. This was created over 15 years ago by one of our Warrior alumni. Each year student government designs and sells Green Machine shirts as the primary fundraiser for student ran events like powder puff, our annual talent show, dances, and prom. Help support student government and show your Warrior pride by purchasing your Green Machine Gear. All items can be purchased in the online store at <https://stores.inksoft.com/wed015/shop/home>. The deadline to order is **Sunday, September 5th**. All items will be shipped to the school and distributed to the students during the week of September 20th -24th. Please see the linked documents below for more information.



[2021 Green Machine.pdf](#)

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[WED015 - Weddington H...](#)

stores.inksoft.com

ATHLETIC INFORMATION



Athletic Department Update

Fall Sports are underway and off to a great start! Be sure to come out and cheer on the Warriors!

We hope to see you tonight at our home football game! All tickets have to be purchased online through HomeTown Ticketing. Please click [here](#) to purchase tickets for tonight's home football game against West Forsyth at 7pm. You can purchase tickets ahead of time or at the gate, but no cash will be accepted.

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 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

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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



WHS PTSO

You can help pave the way for everyone to experience the Weddington Way! Go to www.whsptso.com and join your PTSO.

You will create an account, verify your email address and then explore ALL of the opportunities for your involvement. In addition to your Membership we have Invest in Excellence (giving above and beyond without any fundraising), Volunteer Opportunities, linking up to our donation partners such as Harris Teeter, Publix, and Amazon Smiles, a calendar, and more!!

NEW this year: we will have a grade level competition to see which grade (9th, 10th, 11th, 12th) has the most PTSO memberships purchased! A special event will be provided in October to the winning grade.

Volunteers, you will be receiving some emails next week as we prepare for our first Staff Breakfast and Senior Breakfast of the year!!

Senior Families:

- T-shirt and sign pick up for those who purchased a Sr. Event Package and received an email with details will be August 30th and 31st. Look for that email!
- First Senior Breakfast will be held Sept 17th at 7:30a in Media Center

September Happenings:

- 9/10/21 Staff Breakfast
- 9/13/21 Curriculum Night

- 9/17/21 Senior Breakfast
- 9/24/21 Staff Breakfast
- 9/24/21 Teacher mini-grant submissions due

Follow us on Facebook @weddingtonhighschoolptso (WHS PTSO) and Instagram @whs_ptso. Email us at 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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