

# Warrior Weekly

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**Weddington High School**

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## IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

**Monday, May 27th:** Memorial Day, no school

**Thursday, May 30th:** All Library Books Due

**Friday, May 31st:** Chromebooks Turned In (see below for more information), Fobs Turned In (see below for more information)

**Monday, June 3rd - Friday, June 7th:** Final Exams (see below for more information)

**Friday, June 7th:** Last Day of School

**Monday, June 10th:** Class of 2024 Graduation (see below for more information)

## JOIN THE WHS PTSO!

Please join the WHS PTSO at [www.whsptso.com](#) or scan the QR code in the PTSO section of this newsletter. Please also take a moment to review additional important information regarding our amazing PTSO below.

## ATTENDANCE

### ABSENCES AND TEACHER MADE FINAL EXAM EXEMPTIONS

Absences have an impact on whether or not a student can be exempt from a teacher made final exam. The follow excerpt outlines the requirements for teacher made final exam exemptions as is found on page 4 of the 2023-24 UCPS High School Student Handbook which can be accessed by clicking [HERE](#).

High School students will not be required to take a teacher-made final exam in a course in the following situations:

- The student has an average of 90 or above the week prior to the administration of the exam **and has no more than 2 unexcused absences in the class;** or
- The student has an average of 80 or above the week prior to the administration of the exam **and has no more than 1 unexcused absence in the class.**

**\*\*Please note that all attendance notes with regards to exam exemptions are due by 5/24/23 in order to be applied to exam exemptions.**

### 2nd Semester Attendance Recovery:

Add new info here

## EARLY DISMISSAL PROCEDURE

Due to the increased number of students leaving school early, it is important that you follow the early dismissal procedures to avoid classroom interruption. **On the occasions that you need your student to be dismissed early, a prior written note will be REQUIRED.** The note must be brought to the front office prior to the beginning of school and should include the following information: student's first and last name, date, time of dismissal and parent signature. Following this procedure will allow the student to leave class at the assigned time without interrupting instruction.

Please contact Mrs. Yost with any attendance questions or concerns.

## SECOND SEMESTER FINAL EXAM INFORMATION

EOC and Teacher Made Final Exams Begin Monday, June 3rd.

**Students are required to take ALL EXAMS, including End of Course (EOC) and Teacher Made exams, at school during exam week.**

**Monday, June 3rd** - 1st Block Exams

**Tuesday, June 4th** - 2nd Block Exams

**Wednesday, June 5th** - 3rd Block Exams

**Thursday, June 6th** - 4th Block Exams

**Friday, June 7th** - Make-Up Exams

### Required EOC Courses:

- NC Math 1
- NC Math 3
- English 2
- Biology

### Spring 2024 CTE Courses with State Exams:

- Accounting I Honors
- Accounting II Honors
- Business Law Honors
- Fashion Merchandising Honors
- Foods and Nutrition I
- Culinary Arts and Hospitality I Honors
- Health Science I Honors

**The following are some important reminders for all students taking an EOC, CTE, or teacher made final exam:**

Students are asked to charge their Chromebook the night before AND bring their charger with them for test day. If your students computer is broken or not working properly, please have them contact Ms. Tammy Douglas, our Desktop Support Engineer.

Students should bring a pencil and calculator if they have a math exam.

Testing will begin at 8:15 on Monday, June 3rd through Thursday, June 6th, as well as on Friday, June 7th for the make-up exams. **All testing should be completed daily around 12:30pm. Students will not be permitted to leave campus until all exams have been completed.**

Buses will pick up at normal morning times on exam days **but will be taking students home immediately following exams during those days.** Buses will run on normal times during the make-up exam day on Friday, June 7th. Only students who have to take a make-up exam are required to come to school on the make-up exam day on Friday, June 7th.

## IMPORTANT REMINDERS

Parents, as we work to finish up the year strong we want to share a couple of reminders and ask for your help.

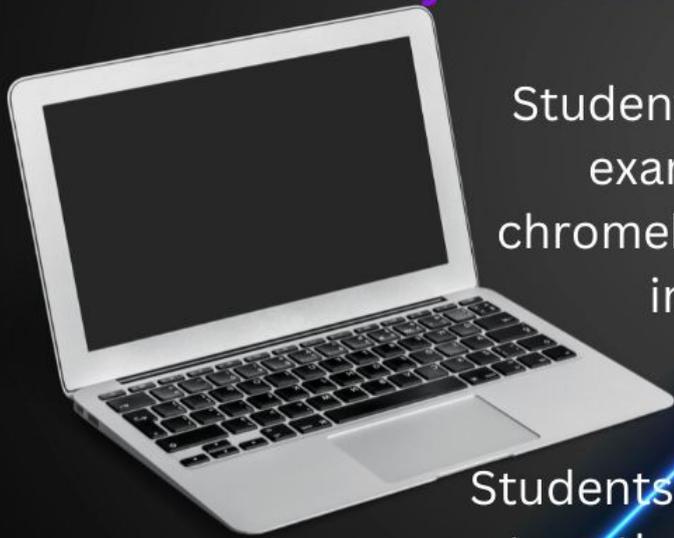
**Please continue to speak with your child about the importance of getting to school on-time. Students are expected to be in their first period class by 8:10am, otherwise, they will be considered tardy.** We recognize that traffic can cause delays in the mornings. We continue to encourage students and parents to allow extra time to get to school in the morning. Weddington High School students may enter the building each day at 7:15 a.m. We also ask that all cars 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 drop-off process. The WHS Tardy Policy can be accessed by clicking [HERE](#).

**Please also continue to talk with your child about the importance of following the dress code.** It is an expectation that students are aware of, and comply with, the dress code. The dress code can be found on page 3 and 14 of the student handbook which can be accessed by clicking [HERE](#).

## NEWS FROM THE MEDIA CENTER

# End of Year **CHROMEBOOK COLLECTION**

All students will turn in their chromebooks  
by the last day of school



Students who do not have final exams must turn in their chromebook by Friday, May 31st in the media center

Students who have final exams will turn their chromebook in to the media center after their last exam

A photograph of a library with rows of bookshelves filled with books. The shelves are lit by warm, glowing pendant lights. The background is slightly blurred, focusing on the books in the foreground.

All Library Books  
are due by  
Thursday, May 30

All calculators are due at the conclusion of your final exam

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR SENIORS

# CLASS OF 2024 Graduation

TICKETING AND EVENT INFO

JUNE 10, 2024

8:00 AM

WARRIOR STADIUM

TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE:  
MONDAY, MAY 6 @ 8:00 AM  
UNTIL  
FRIDAY, MAY 31 @ 11:59 PM



### **Senior Cap and Gown Picture: Monday, May 20th (8:15 AM @ stadium)**

Seniors will be taking a class Cap and Gown picture on Monday, May 20th. All seniors will need to bring their cap and gown. Following the picture, the senior class will walk through Weddington Elementary school and Weddington Middle school in their cap and gown.

### **Graduation Rehearsal: Friday, June 7th 12:00pm**

All seniors participating in commencement are required to attend rehearsal on Friday, June 7th at 12:00pm. Students should report to the auditorium starting at 11:15am for check-in. All cords will be distributed on this day and important graduation day information will be shared with students.

### **Senior Collections:**

Seniors will not be allowed to walk in the graduation ceremony if their school account has not been cleared. Our bookkeeper, Mrs. Tina Starnes, will be available following graduation practice to assist students with clearing any outstanding fees. It is extremely important that all seniors ensure that they have turned in all textbooks, library materials, Chromebook and charger, and any outstanding fees by the end of the day Friday, June 7th.

### **Graduation: Monday, June 10th at 8:00am**

Weddington High School's Class of 2024 Commencement will be held on Monday, June 10th at 8:00am at the high school stadium. Seniors are expected to arrive and line up by 7:15am. Students

proceed to their assigned pod for line up. We will begin the processional at 7:45am. It is extremely important that students arrive by 7:15am in order to ensure they are able to check in and be in line for the procession.

Dress code for students is business casual. Males should wear dress pants and a collared shirt and females a dress, skirt, or dress pants. Flip Flops should not be worn. Ladies should not wear heels as they will be walking on soft grass. Ladies should affix the white collar that comes with the graduation gown. All cords will be distributed at graduation rehearsal. Only school distributed cords may be worn. Graduation caps are not to be decorated.

#### **Inclement Weather Contingency Plan:**

Graduation will take place Monday, June 10th at 8:00am as planned, however, it is possible that there could be a minor delay or modification to the program depending on the weather. We will continue monitoring the weather throughout the week and over the weekend prior to graduation. Any delays to the 8:00am start time would be communicated Monday morning by no later than 6:00am via a connect ed text message and through our school social media platforms. Students, parents, and guests are encouraged to follow Weddington High School social media the morning of graduation for any updates.

Instagram, Facebook, & Twitter: WeddingtonHSNC

#### **Graduation Live Stream:**

Graduation will be Live Streamed as in years past. The link for the Live Stream will be shared with families the week prior to graduation.

#### **Graduation Tickets:**

Each graduating senior will receive 8 tickets to the ceremony. Each student must claim their tickets from the school website and distribute a QR code to their attendees. Tickets will be available to claim beginning Monday, May 6th at 8:00am and will remain available to claim through Friday, May 31st 11:59pm. **The link to claim graduation tickets can be found at the bottom of the the Class of 2024 Graduation Webpage which can be accessed by clicking [HERE](#). You will not, however, be able to claim the tickets until Monday, May 6th at 8:00am.** Again, each student will receive eight tickets. Students are more than welcome to ask other students for any unused tickets. However, WHS will not facilitate this process or provide additional tickets. There will be three entry points for all guests: Weddington Middle School, Weddington Elementary School, and the Weddington High School student lot.

**You may also click [HERE](#) for additional graduation event and ticketing directions including parking information.**

Questions regarding claiming tickets can be directed to Mike Hart @ [michael.hart@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:michael.hart@ucps.k12.nc.us).

All guests will need a ticket in order to attend. Children who are 5 years and younger do not need a ticket, however, they must sit on a parents lap. We ask that you please have your mobile/paper ticket ready to be scanned upon arriving at the ticket booth. The gates will open at 7:00am. All guests are encouraged to arrive early to ensure you get a parking spot and find a seat prior to the ceremony beginning promptly at 8:00am.

#### **Safety Protocols for UCPS Events:**

Earlier this school year, UCPS implemented new safety protocols for UCPS athletic and other large gathering events. Per these safety protocols, only clear bags, no larger than 4.5" x 6.5" will be allowed into graduation. All guests are asked to plan accordingly as this will be enforced.

**Graduation Parking:**

Parking is available at Weddington Elementary, Weddington Middle and Weddington High School. We highly encourage guests to park at the elementary and middle school lots due to their close proximity.

Although there are handicap parking spots at each of the parking locations, all individuals requiring additional assistance are asked to park at Weddington Middle School. There will be a golf cart shuttle for those who need assistance. Handicap loading/unloading will occur in the handicap spots in the front middle school lot.

Due to the number of guests attending graduation, parking will be limited. Families are encouraged to carpool and maximize the number of guests per vehicle.

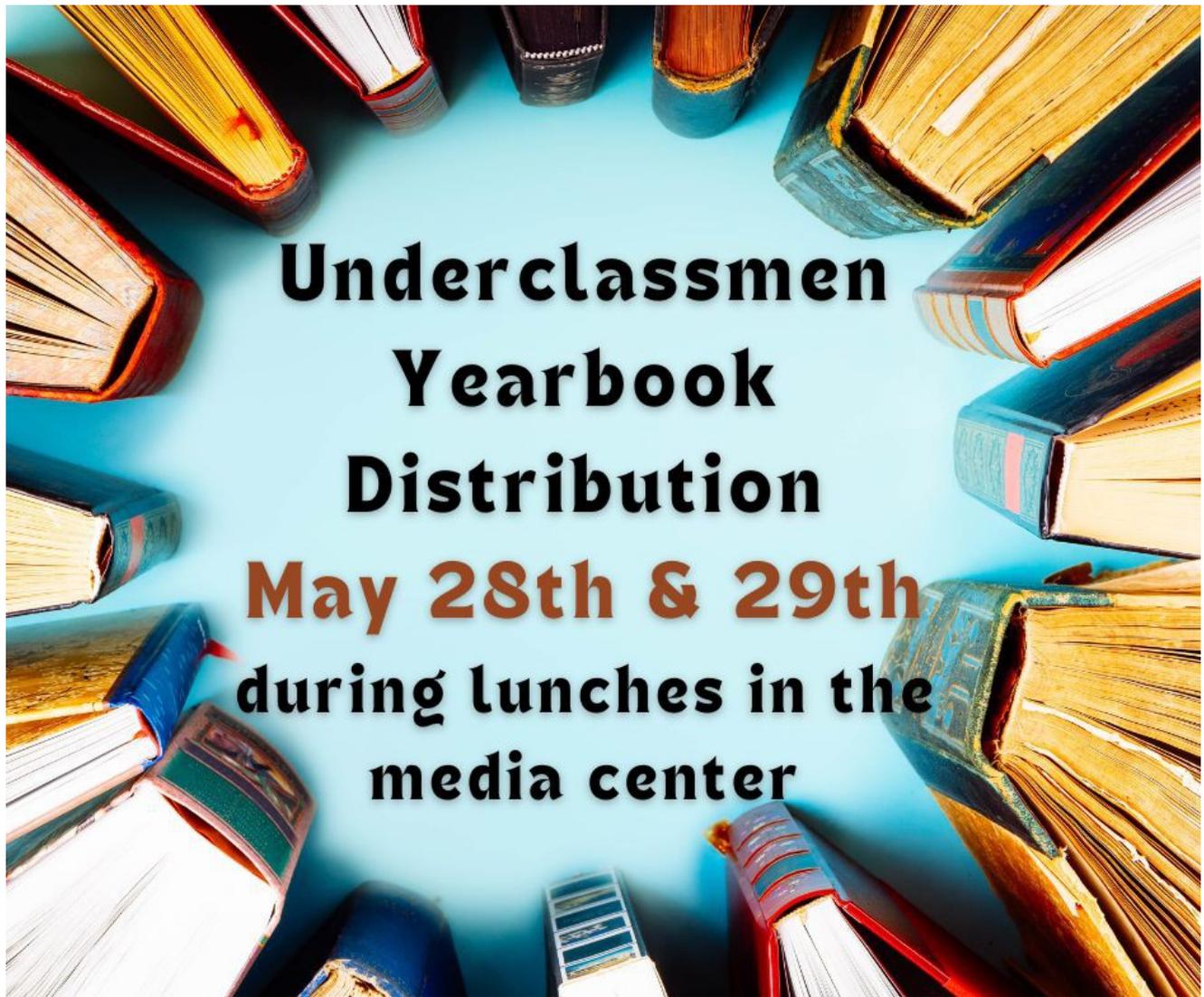
## CLASS OF 2025

**CADY**

**Schedule  
Your Senior  
Photos Today**

**CADY.COM/SCHEDULE**

Bookings are now OPEN for senior photo sessions for the class of 2025. You must be photographed by CADY to be in the yearbook. Get photos for grad announcements, senior yearbook ads, and flawless Insta posts. Book now at [cady.com/schedule](https://cady.com/schedule).



## **Underclassmen Yearbook Distribution May 28th & 29th during lunches in the media center**

### **COUNSELING DEPARTMENT**

#### **SCHOLARSHIPS**

**Senior Parents-** We need your help! Please help your senior complete the form below to include all scholarship and merit aid awards. We are asking students to report all dollars, regardless if they are attending that school. If they earned, they claim it! We are hoping to celebrate all students who receive scholarship, merit aid or athletic. One submission form per award. If you have any questions please email Mrs. Washington at [Jackie.washington@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:Jackie.washington@ucps.k12.nc.us)

<https://forms.gle/RJ2UaUhVtYNgApeW9>

#### **Class of 2024**

Please complete the following tasks NOW to ensure your transcript is sent to the final destination.

#### **Senior tasks...**

##### **1. UCPS - Graduation Survey**

· Click on the following link to complete the graduation survey - <https://bit.ly/gradsurvey2024>

##### **2. Tasks**

· Stay in Scoir

· Click on My Colleges

- Go to Applied column
- Update Your Outcome for **each** college in the Applied column
- Mark the college you plan to attend as **ENROLLING**

### 3. Scholarship Award Letters

#### CLASS OF 2025

JUMPSTART THE COLLEGE APPLICATION PROCESS, June 5, 6, 7 - 1:00 - 3:00, WHS Cafeteria

Don't miss out on this opportunity to participate in individual sessions (hosted by leading college admissions counselors) sharing the ins and outs of the college application process for the 2024 application cycle. **Topics include but not limited to: College Tours, Holistic Application Review, Anatomy of the College Application, Writing the Personal Statement, Scoir, Resume Writing, Creating an Application List, Recommendation Letters, Early Action – Early Decision – Regular – Rolling, Common Application, I've been deferred, now what? Writing the Winning Essay, Community College. Four, 30-min college application sessions will be held each day, for three days. Bring your lunch! Bring your student computer! Let's get started! - THE WHS COLLEGE APPLICATION GUIDEBOOK WILL BE DISTRIBUTED DURING JUMPSTART.**

June 4, 1:00 - 3:00

June 5, 1:00 - 3:00

June 6, 1:00 - 3:00

#### PARENT UNIVERSITY - WHS auditorium

- Navigating FAFSA, Applying for Financial Aid, 5:00-6:00, June 6
- College Admissions Panel, 6:00-6:45, June 6
- Understanding the College Application Guidebook, 6:45-7:00, June 6 - **Dr. Jordan**

## SUMMER COUNSELING SCHEDULE



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**6**  
AUGUST

**8:30-12** SPCC schedule changes for Senior and Junior students enrolled  
**1-3:00** FLEX application open for seniors, s2 only

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**13**  
AUGUST

**8:30-12** New to Weddington cluster families, by appointment only

**14**  
AUGUST

**8:30-12** New to Weddington cluster families, by appointment only

**15**  
AUGUST

**8:30-12** New to Weddington cluster families, by appointment only

**19**  
AUGUST

**8:00 AM** Schedules go live in PowerSchool. Paper copies will not be distributed.

**19**  
AUGUST

**8:30-12** Seniors with schedule holes may enter the building to meet w/a counselor  
**1-3:00** Juniors with schedule holes may enter the building to meet w/a counselor

**20**  
AUGUST

COUNSELORS OFF CAMPUS

**21**  
AUGUST

**1-3:00** Sophomores with schedule holes may enter the building to meet w/a counselor to select a course

**22**  
AUGUST

**1-3:00** Freshmen with schedule holes may enter the building to meet w/a counselor to select a course

**26**  
AUGUST

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL!

**26**  
AUGUST

**3:00**  
PM

Schedule change request link goes live

**30**  
AUGUST

**8:00**  
AM

Schedule change request form closes

**30**  
AUGUST

**3:00**  
PM

Student requested schedule changes conclude



## GREEN MACHINE DESIGN CONTEST

# GREEN MACHINE SHIRT DESIGN!

DO YOU HAVE WHAT IT TAKES TO DESIGN THE  
LEGENDARY GREEN MACHINE SHIRT?!

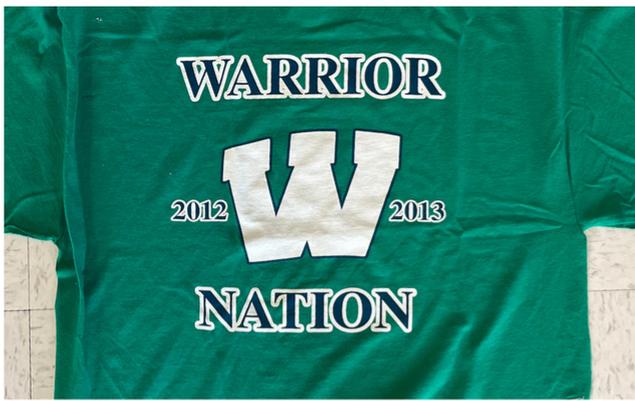
THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY IS NEXT YEAR AND WE  
NEED TO CREATE THE BEST DESIGN YET!

SWIPE THROUGH TO SEE SOME EXAMPLES OF  
PREVIOUS DESIGNS!

SUBMIT YOUR DESIGN IDEAS BY MAY 24TH!

SUBMIT DESIGNS OR QUESTIONS TO:  
[MICHAEL.HART@UCPS.K12.NC.US](mailto:MICHAEL.HART@UCPS.K12.NC.US)





## WEDDINGTON HIGH SCHOOL PTSO

The PTSO is very thankful to all those who joined this school year and made donations to Invest in Excellence. Every bit helps support our students and staff in ways the budget can't.

Thank you to all who have donated a gift card or monetarily so we as a school can say thank you to our 120 teachers for their efforts during this 2023-24 school year. **60 TEACHER GIFT**

**CARDS/MONETARY DONATIONS ARE STILL NEEDED!** If you would like to donate a gift card or make a donation for gift cards via

Venmo please do so by Wednesday, May 30th. (<https://venmo.com/u/WHSPSTSO> - please note in memo that donation is for gift cards). For more information, please click

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C044AACAA2CA6FE3-48959916-endofyear#/>

Senior Events: Senior Week is sneaking up on us. It is May 20th through the 24th. Please follow us on Instagram @weddingtonseniors2024 for updates on senior events.

Please join the WHS PTSO at [www.whsptso.com](http://www.whsptso.com) or use the QR code above.

Follow us on Facebook @weddingtonhighschoolptso (WHS PTSO) and Instagram @[WH5.NC.PT5O](https://www.instagram.com/WH5.NC.PT5O)





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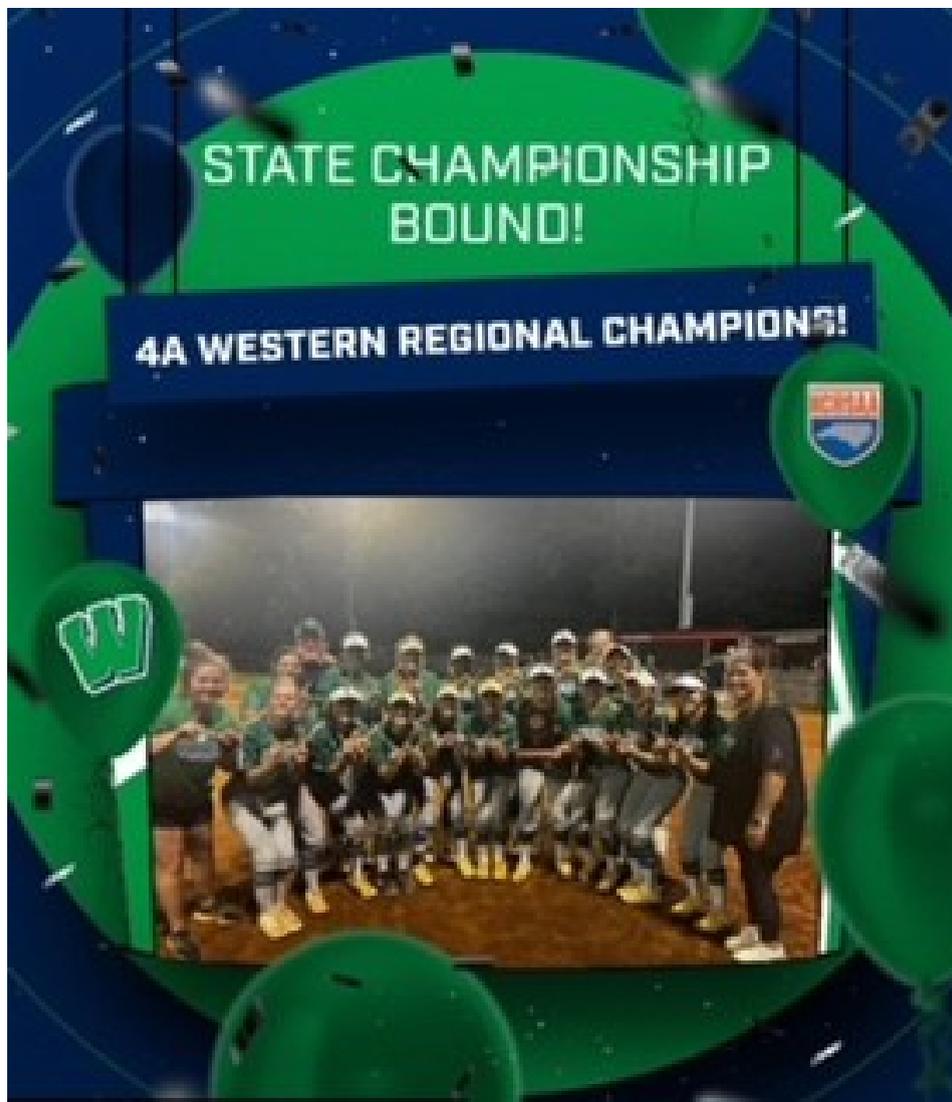
Remember to re-link your Harris Teeter, Publix, and Amazon Smiles account to WHS so you can be giving money back all year long while shopping for your family.



**WEDDINGTON  
WARRIORS**

**ATHLETIC INFORMATION**

**Congrats, Warriors!!!!**



Congratulations to our softball team, as they are headed to the State Championship! This is the first time in our school's history and we are so proud of them!

## UC EAST WEDDINGTON NIGHT



**EXTREME**  
ICE CENTER

Atrium Health

QUEEN CITY  
**ROYALS**

WEDDINGTON  
**W**  
WARRIORS

# WEDDINGTON NIGHT

**SUPPORT YOUR  
UC EAST EAGLES HOCKEY**

WEDDINGTON HIGH!  
JOIN US FOR AN EXCITING NIGHT  
OF HIGH SCHOOL HOCKEY!  
COME OUT & SUPPORT YOUR  
FELLOW CLASSMATES!

WEDNESDAY JUNE 13 AT 7:50PM  
EXTREME ICE CENTER  
4705 INDIAN TRAIL FAIRVIEW RD  
@xicenter

## Athletic Boosters

Click the link below for an important Athletic Booster Club Update, including important upcoming events

### WHSABC Spring 2024 Letter.pdf

[Download](#)

128.7 KB

## Athletic Department Update

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.

Please visit <https://weddingtonathleticzone.com/> for up to date information!

[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!

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**Jeff Kraftson**

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