

Warrior Weekly

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IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

Friday, April 26th: End of Grading Period, Early Release Day

Saturday, April 27th: Junior/Senior Prom (see below for more information)

Friday, May 3rd: Report Cards Distributed

Monday, May 6th - Friday, May 17th: AP Exams (see below for more information)

EARLY RELEASE DAY

Next **Friday, April 26th**, will be the last of four early release days during the 2023-2024 school year. Similar to a normal school day, the building will be open to students beginning at 7:15am with 1st period beginning at 8:10am. During an early release day, the WHS school day will end at 11:35am. Lunch will be available to students on early release days from 11:35am - 12:05pm. Bus riders will report to the cafeteria where they can eat lunch and wait for their bus. Bus riders will be dismissed from the cafeteria at 12:03pm to go to the bus lot to get on their bus.

EARLY RELEASE SCHEDULE

DOORS OPEN:	7:15AM	
MORNING BELL:	8:00AM	
FIRST BLOCK:	8:10AM - 8:57AM	47 mins
SECOND BLOCK:	9:02AM - 9:50AM	48 mins
THIRD BLOCK:	9:55AM - 10:42AM	47 mins
FOURTH BLOCK:	10:47AM - 11:35AM	48 mins
DISMISSAL:	11:35AM	

- Car riders and student drivers are dismissed @ 11:35am
- Students wishing to eat lunch may do so between 11:35-12:05pm
- Bus riders are to report to the Cafeteria to eat or wait for buses
- Bus riders will be dismissed at 12:03pm



JOIN THE WHS PTSO!

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

ATTENDANCE

Reminder that T5 ends Friday, April 26th. All notes to excuse absences for T5 need to be submitted by the end of the day on April 26th. S2 Attendance Recovery will be offered to students with more than 7 unexcused absences. More information regarding Attendance Recovery will be sent out at a later date. Please contact Mrs. TC Yost with any questions/concerns tammy.yost@ucps.k12.nc.us

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.

ATTENDANCE NOTES SPRING 2024

1st Grading Period
T4

January 26th
thru March 8th



2nd Grading Period
T5

March 9th thru
April 26th

We cannot accept
parent notes for
dates prior to
March 9th, 2024

3rd Grading Period
T6

April 27th thru
June 6th

We cannot accept
parent notes for
dates prior to
April 27th, 2024

UCPS ATTENDANCE POLICY

- 5 days/semester may be excused with a parent note
- Parent notes are **ONLY** accepted during the grading period the absence occurred.
- Medical notes are always accepted, but as a courtesy, please do not wait until the end of the semester!

Attendance notes must
be received by May 24th
to process for exam
exemption!

ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP) EXAMS

AP Testing will begin on Monday May, 6th. Please encourage students to follow social media for any AP testing updates. The following are a few helpful testing day tips:

- Dress in layers- Gym/Media could be cold or warm
- Eat a healthy breakfast or lunch- nothing loaded in sugar to avoid a sugar crash
- Bring healthy filling snacks as all students will receive a 15 minute break between each section
- Get a good night's sleep: being well rested on your testing day will help you perform your best on the exam. Lack of sleep will make for a very long exam
- Bring a calculator
- Pencils and pens will be provided
- Cell phones will be collected: please make sure your phone can be identified quickly as some test groups are large and I-phones can all look identical. Avoid placing your credit cards and/or drivers license outside of your phone case
- Leave smart watches at home as we will be required to collect all smart watches
- Do not bring any type of Bluetooth/wireless accessory
- Be on time- students will not be permitted to enter the test room late. If you have a morning test, please plan accordingly for traffic

Please remember AP testing is **REQUIRED**. If a student does not participate in testing their overall grade will be lowered a letter grade according to UCPS policy. If a student misses the regular exam time, there will likely be a fee that the student will be responsible for.

SENIORS: Please remember that AP exam administration times are strict and we are bound to follow all College Board and AP Policies. Weddington High has never scheduled senior week during the regular administration of AP exams, however we have no control of late testing schedule conflicting with senior week activities. Please do your best to be present for all regular scheduled exams.

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

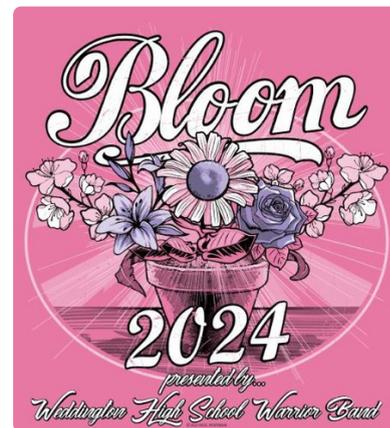
Parents, as we work to finish up the year strong we want to share a couple of reminders and ask for your help.

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](#).

WHS MARCHING BAND

Is your student interested in joining the WHS Marching Band? Recruitment ends on April 25th! Please have your student reach out to Ms. Norton at mallory.norton@ucps.k12.nc.us if you are interested - no experience necessary!



PROM 2024

Saturday, April 27th 8:00pm - 11:00pm



UCPS IMPACT 30 FILM SCREENING AND AWARDS SHOW

We are excited to promote the UCPS Impact 30 Film Screening and Awards Show Event. UCPS high school students were provided with the opportunity to create and submit a commercial/social media promo or short film that celebrates 30 years of educator IMPACT in UCPS, promotes our school system, and showcases the Portrait of a Graduate attributes. Please join us on Friday, May 3, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. at Weddington High School for the UCPS Impact 30 Film Screening and Awards

Show. Admission is FREE and the event is open to the public. There will even be a "People's Choice" voting opportunity at the event! Click [HERE](#) for the flyer with the event details. We look forward to seeing you there!



COUNSELING DEPARTMENT

**KEEP CALM
AND TRUST YOUR
SCHOOL
COUNSELOR**

Counselor Caseload Assignments

Student's last name beginning with: A-C
Ms. Jumana Scoggins - jumana.scoggins@ucps.k12.nc.us

Student's last name beginning with: D-H
Mrs. Jenni Allen - jenni.allen@ucps.k12.nc.us

Student's last name beginning with: I-M
Mrs. Jackie Washington - jackie.washington@ucps.k12.nc.us

Student's last name beginning with: N-R
Mrs. Laura Lewin - laura.lewin@ucps.k12.nc.us

Student's last name beginning with: S-Z
Dr. Mary Jordan - mary.jordan@ucps.k12.nc.us

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Parents we need your help! Please encourage your student to click on the link to report all merit aid, athletic or need based awards. We claim all dollars earned regardless if a student is planning to attend the school or not. If they earned it they claim it. Please note each award requires a new form submission along with a picture of the award. We would like to recognize all seniors for all awards during senior week. If you have any questions regarding scholarships please reach out to Mrs. Washington.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/131Krla6QyNku8KXKTgCcYvh64xigKAMj9BBnz5LUSAI/edit>

PTSO SCHOLARSHIP

Did you know that the PTSO offers scholarships for students attending a NC Community College or Trade School? Click the link below to find out more! Applications are due Friday, April 26th.

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[Download](#)

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FAFSA

Thank you to all who attended our FAFSA night last month! If you were unable to attend, please find below a link to the presentation, as well as some helpful resources.

[FAFSA Information Night Presentation](#) (3/13/24)

[FAFSA Resources](#)

Class of 2024 To Do's

Senior Tasks

1. [Graduation Survey](#)

2. SCOIR

- log in to scoir
- click on "my colleges" (across top)
- go to "applied" column
- update your outcome for EVERY college in 'applied' column

3. **Canvas** - Seniors will have an announcement on **Canvas** directing them to a Google form. This form must be filled out by all seniors, it will be used to make their name pronunciation card for the graduation ceremony. They will be asked to record a video of themselves saying their name. Please direct them to speak loudly, clearly, and slowly so we can hear them well. This can be done on their own time if it is too loud in class. *(Please reach out to Brittany Slaughter with any questions about this task)*

Additional information regarding senior week and graduation will be shared in the April 26th edition of the Warrior Weekly. Included will be information regarding claiming graduation tickets. As a reminder, all seniors will be given 8 tickets for graduation.

UCPS BOOK DRIVE

UNION COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

BOOK DRIVE

April 10 - 22

Union County Public Schools is collecting new and gently used books for the UCPS Mobile Book Bus.

Donations will provide students with books throughout the summer to help improve literacy skills.



DROP-OFF LOCATIONS

- Cuthbertson High
- Parkwood High
- Porter Ridge Middle
- Sun Valley Middle
- Weddington Elementary
- Wingate Elementary
- UCPS Central Services – Church St.
- Huntington Learning Center – Wesley Chapel



WEDDINGTON HIGH SCHOOL PTSO

We are thankful for the Spring weather, despite the pollen covered cars, porches and well... everything! Spring means the school year is rapidly coming to an end, and the PTSO will happily continue to accept new members and donations to Invest in Excellence. Every bit helps support our students and staff in ways the budget can't. Again, to those who have already given or recently joined - THANK YOU!

Speaking of ways to donate, we invite you to thank our teachers and staff for their efforts during this 2023-24 school year by donating a gift card or making a donation for gift cards via Venmo (<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: Please be on the lookout for emails from weddingtonseniors2024@gmail.com and make sure to follow us on Instagram @weddingtonseniors2024 for updates on senior events.

Attention: Seniors going to a NC community college or trade school - don't forget we offer scholarships! Please stop by the counselors' office to pick up the application. All applications are due by Friday, April 26th.



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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.



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ATHLETIC INFORMATION

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

SPIRIT WEAR

Online school store is OPEN through 4/29! This will be the LAST time for this school year. And if you missed out, FOOTBALL STATE CHAMPIONSHIP gear is available for the last time. Place your orders now! Delivery by May 15.

SPIRIT WEAR SALE!



This is your last opportunity for the rest of the year, so get your orders in today!

Athletic Department Update

Questions about Athletics? Please contact our Athletic Director, Mr. Mike Hart, via email 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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