

Warrior Weekly

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Summer Office Hours: 8:00am - 4:00pm

Monday - Thursday *CLOSED FRIDAY

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IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

Monday, June 12th - Graduation (see below for more information)

Thursday, June 15th - Grades 9-11 Report Cards Mailed Home



On behalf of the staff at Weddington High School, we want to wish you and your family a safe, relaxing summer break! We thank you for your ongoing support throughout the school year. We will be working diligently on closing out the current school year and promptly beginning preparation for the 2023-2024 school year. **Although this will be the final Warrior Weekly for the 2022-2023 school year, we will be sending out communications regarding next school year later this summer.** Please be sure to check our website and social media for back to school updates throughout the summer. Again, we wish you and your family a wonderful summer break!

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

Beginning the week of June 12th, the summer school office hours will be Monday -Thursday, 8:00am – 4:00pm. **The school will be closed on Fridays, as well as Monday, July 3rd through Thursday, July 6th.**

CONGRATS MS. LOTHARP!



Naomi Lotharp, one of our lead custodians here at Weddington High School, was selected as a June 2023 UCPS Influencer. "Naomi Lotharp exemplifies what it means to be a professional. She is always working hard and with a smile. Many times, she is asked to cover for others when short-staffed. She does this willingly and with high standards. She is the first to offer help and is the last to ask for help. It is inspiring to see how hard-working and dedicated she is. She is a remarkable role model for our students and fellow staff members."

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR SENIORS



CLASS OF 2023



**TICKETING AND EVENT
INFORMATION**

GRADUATION

JUNE 12, 2023 / 8:00AM / WARRIOR STADIUM

**Tickets are available:
Monday 5/1 at 8am until
Friday 6/2 at 11:59pm**

Click [HERE](#) for the Weddington High School Class of 2023 Graduation Webpage

Graduation Rehearsal: Friday, June 9th 12:00pm

All seniors participating in commencement are required to attend rehearsal on Friday, June 9th at 12:00pm. The check-in table will open at 11:15am by the gym doors near the student entrance of the school. All students will be directed where to report after checking in.

Graduation: Monday, June 12th at 8:00am

Weddington High School's Class of 2023 Commencement will be held on Monday, June 12th at 8:00am at the high school stadium. Seniors are expected to arrive and line up by 7:15am. Students may park in the student parking lot as early as 7:00am, check in at the table in the gym, and then 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 students are able to check in and be in line for the processional.

INCLIMATE WEATHER CONTINGENCY PLAN:

Graduation will take place Monday, June 12th 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. 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 Monday morning for any updates.

Instagram, Facebook, & Twitter: **WeddingtonHSNC**

Dress code for students is business casual. Males should wear 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.

Graduation Live Stream:

Graduation will be Live Streamed as in years past. Please see below for the link.

Graduation Tickets:

Each graduating senior was allotted 8 tickets to the ceremony which they were required to claim from the school website and distribute a QR code to their attendees. All guests will need a ticket in order to attend. 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.

You may also click [here](#) for additional graduation event and ticketing directions, including parking information. There will be three entry points for all guests: Weddington Middle School, Weddington Elementary School, and the Weddington High School student lot.

Questions regarding tickets can be directed to Mike Hart @ michael.hart@ucps.k12.nc.us.

Graduation Parking:

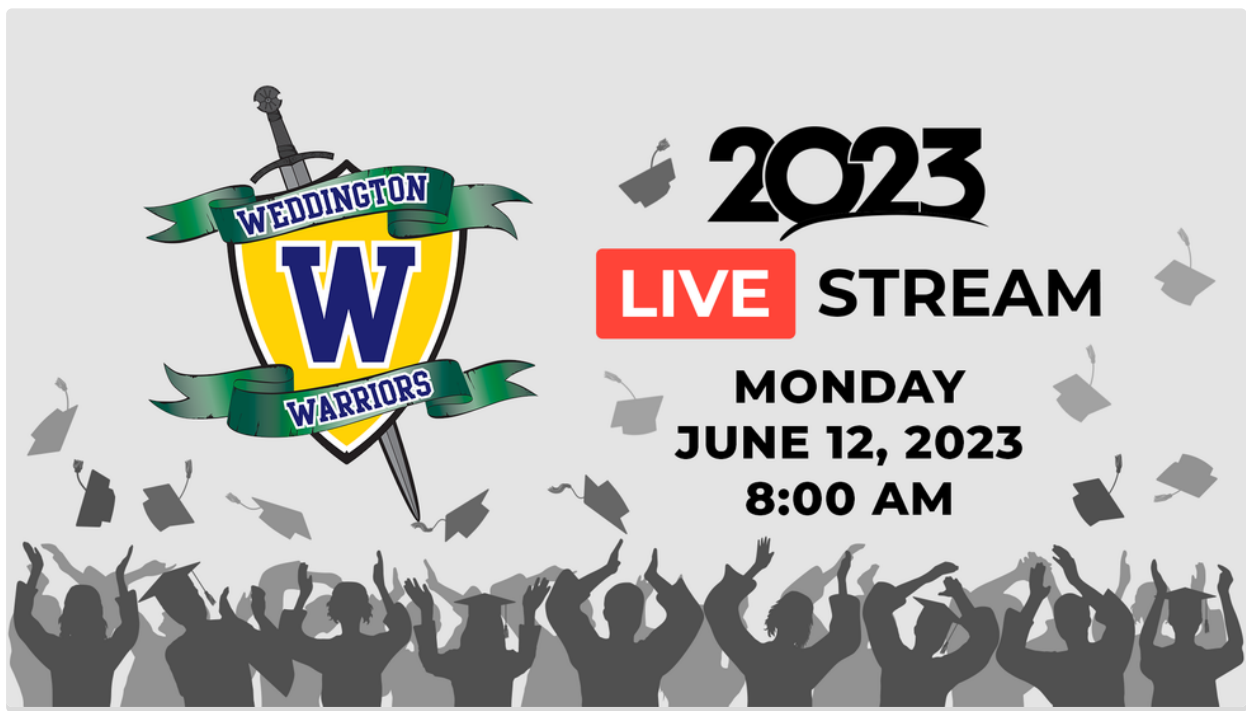
Parking is available at Weddington Elementary, Weddington Middle and Weddington High School. We highly encourage guests to park at the elementary and middle school lots due to their close proximity.

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.

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 9th.



SENIOR GRADUATION PICTURES

The group panoramic cap and gown photo taken in the stadium will be added to each senior's cap and gown profile in Cady. Parents can either add the panoramic onto their cap and gown order or they can purchase it a la carte for \$30 by skipping ahead to step 4 in the ordering process. Cady studio will also be taking pictures at graduation of each senior walking across the stage and holding their diploma after walking off the stage. Any student with an existing profile with CADY will receive an email with a link to their posed graduation photos 24 hours after the ceremony. Parents and students can also find their graduation profile by going to cady.com/graduation and searching by their first and last name. Customer experience is available to assist with any issues parents might run into at 678-722-3449.

REPORT CARDS

We will mail report cards to all students in grades 9-11 on Thursday, June 15th. Seniors will receive their final report card and transcripts in their graduation packets at graduation on Monday, June 12th.

2023-2024 PARKING PASS INFORMATION

As we move into summer, we will begin preparing for the student parking pass application process. In late June, we will begin communicating the student parking pass application process via school website, social media, and a message to parents. Included in this communication in late June will be the date/time that the parking pass application process will open.

INFORMATION FOR THE CLASS OF 2024

From the Counseling Department:

1. **Brag Sheet** - please refer to your Scoir account to complete the Brag Sheet. The Brag Sheet will serve as the foundation of college applications, admission essays, personal statements, and when preparing for interviews. Once logged into Scoir, click on the three lines in the top right-hand corner, scroll down, and select "surveys" to begin. Scoir will automatically save your work while in progress. Do NOT hit "submit" until the entire survey is finished. Once submitted, the information shared will be accessible via the respective Scoir account. A completed Brag Sheet is required of any student requesting a letter of recommendation from a WHS teacher and/counselor. No brag sheet = no letter. Please see attached documents for further assistance.
2. **Scoir** - Parents! Ask your child to invite you to Scoir! To learn more about Scoir, https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=scoir
3. **TA (Teacher Assistant)** - Students who would like to TA either first or second semester need to speak with the teacher they would like to TA for. If the teacher approves, the teacher will complete the TA application. Once complete and submitted, the administration will approve/deny the request. If approved, the data manager creates a TA section for the teacher and the counselor withdraws the student from a course to meet the request. This takes place over the summer and into the first 10 days of the school year.
4. **FLEX** - The FLEX day option will be available during semester two. To be eligible for FLEX, students must complete the FLEX application by June 5th. The FLEX application can be found in Scoir. Once logged into Scoir, click on the three lines in the top right-hand corner, scroll down and select "surveys" to locate and complete the application. Once submitted, counselors will review the application, student transcript and completed graduation requirements. If approved, the data manager creates a FLEX section, and the counselor withdraws the student from a course(s) specified by the student. This takes place over the summer and into the first 10 days of the school year.

Parents! Ask your child to invite you to Scoir!

What can parents do with a Scoir account?

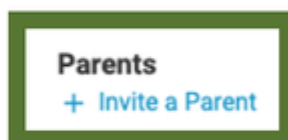
- See which colleges your child is following.
- Suggest colleges for your child to follow.
- Help students keep track of activities & awards.
- Receive a custom price estimate using Scoir's cost calculator.

Students must invite their parents to join!

Students should:

- Log in
- Visit "My Profile"
- Click on "Invite a parent"

Students will need their parent's email address.



For more info, visit <https://bit.ly/onlinecollegetools>.



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@UCPSCollegeReady

Rising Senior Information Regarding Senior Portraits

Junior year is coming to a close and it is time to start preparing for senior year. First thing on the list is scheduling your senior portrait session at Cady Studios during the summer. All rising seniors must have their picture taken by Cady Studios in order to be included in the yearbook. Cady Studios offers a wide variety of session options from their top Elite sessions to the basic simple session. The simple session is just \$29 and includes the senior yearbook photo, cap/gown photo, and one other scene of your choice. Prints are not included with the sessions and must be purchased separately. All rising seniors have until December 3rd, 2023, to get their senior portrait session completed.

If a student does not schedule a studio session, we will have a makeup day later in the fall semester for seniors at school. This makeup session, however, will only include the yearbook photo. If a student does not get their senior picture completed by December 3rd, 2023, they will not be included in the yearbook.

Cady Studios

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Charlotte, NC 28227
704-859-0737

COUNSELING DEPARTMENT

* **New to Weddington Cluster - New Student Registration:** Stay tuned!

* **2023-2023 Student Schedules - Projected Timeline:** Stay tuned!



Junior Next Step Program Flyer 2023.pdf

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How to Pay for College Leave Behind with CFNC link.pdf

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276.2 KB



English Program Overview.pdf

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Pongamonos las Pilas - Overview.pdf

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831.8 KB



Rising Senior May Booking flyer.pdf

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979.8 KB

UCPS TECHNOLOGY FEE

A message from UCPS Technology Department:

Union County Public Schools is committed to providing all students with the best tools they need for a quality education. UCPS is proud of its 1:1 access model for students in grades 3 – 12. These students receive a Chromebook, which provides access to digital content for educational purposes.

At the start of the 2023-2024 school year, UCPS will reinstate a technology fee. Families will be responsible for paying a \$30 annual technology user fee per student in grades 3 – 12. This fee includes accidental insurance coverage and will ensure that students have the most robust technology available to enhance individualized learning and resources for any necessary repairs.

The technology fee will be waived for students who qualify for free lunch. Parents will receive more information about the technology fee during the summer months and through back-to-school communication. Before next school year, we invite you to read the [UCPS Technology Services Handbook](#) and learn about valuable resources, district guidelines, use of Chromebooks, and more.

Thank you for your cooperation.

ATHLETIC INFORMATION



REGISTRATION NOW OPEN



**FAMILY ID
REGISTRATION NOW
OPEN!**

Click here to view fall sport
summer workout and tryout
information as well as information to
register your student-athlete for
the 2023-2024 school year!

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!

WEDDINGTON HIGH SCHOOL PTSO

As the 2022-2023 school year comes to a close, we would like to thank the WHS staff, students, and parents for an amazing school year!

Thank you to PTSO members, outgoing board members, and volunteers for your support this year! We are grateful for your commitment and willingness to volunteer and invest in our school's future.

Congratulations to the Class of 2023! The PTSO wishes you the best of luck for the future. You make WHS proud!

Welcome 2023-2024 PTSO Board Members!

Co- Presidents: Sherri McGirt and Ginger Kavanagh

Vice President: Amanda Fink

Secretary: Trista Jorge

Treasurer: Jenny Bergman

Staff Appreciation: Olga Bernhardt and Kristin Marion

Outreach and Social Media: Danielle Klee

Membership: Heidi Hamilton

Site Base Committee: Ben Fink and Eric Wang

Please be on the look out for Membership and volunteer information in July!

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, and Publix account to WHS so you can be giving money back all year long while shopping for your family.



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