Warrior Weekly

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IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

Monday, May 22nd - Friday, May 26th - Senior Week (see below for more information)

Monday, May 29th - Memorial Day, no school

Wednesday, May 31st - Varsity Sports Recognition Night (see below for more information)

Monday, June 5th - EOC's/Final Exam's begin (see below for more information)

Friday, June 9th - Last Day of School

2023 UCCAC STUDENT ARTIST SHOWCASE

Congratulations to our Visual Arts Students who participated and received awards at the 2023 UCCAC Student Artist Showcase! Below is the list of participants and recognitions, a flyer/invite to the art show, and links for the virtual gallery.

2023 UCCAC Student Artist Showcase: WHS Award Recipients

Sarah Mikes - Best in Show / 1st place Drawing black and white Phoenix Raiola-3rd place Digital Drawing Carleigh McCarthy-1st place Crafts Joshua Leiva - Photography 2nd Place Hayden Osgood - Photography 3rd Place

See Student's Work on Virtual Gallery!

Best in Show: https://youtu.be/XwVbvEe1glo

HS Award Winners: https://youtu.be/n8ZF3oMJs1g

***Award Recipients Artwork will be displayed on June 3...See invite below for details

WHS Participants:

Jay Pfeifer-Drawing black and white Claire Perrault - Drawing black and white Koi Edwards - Drawing Black and White Teaghan Giles - Drawing Black and White Ren Arteaga- Drawing Color Ava Lanzy – Drawing Color Izzy Loytty and Sarah Hunter - Mixed Media Jasmyn Key -Painting Skylar Van – Painting William Kernan – Photography

See Student's Works on Virtual Gallery!

Drawing: https://youtu.be/5W4wlPwrlSY

Mixed media/painting: https://youtu.be/0jgLVUBt2-c



2023 UNION COUNTY STUDENT ARTIST SHOWCASE AWARDEE

celebration & exhibition

Saturday, June 3
3:00-5:00 pm Drop-In
Atrium Health Union West
1000 Healing Way
Matthews, NC 28104

presented by:











This project was supported by the North Carolina Arts Council, a division of the

WEDDINGTON HIGH SCHOOL PTSO

Thank you to all who have joined the WHS PTSO! And thank you to our wonderful volunteers that have volunteered their time and/or have contributed to the staff appreciation, senior events, angel tree, etc. We appreciate your generosity and commitment to WHS.

Attention Senior Parents!

Please see the sign up genius below to help out with Senior Week, May 22-26 https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c044aacaa2ca6fe3-senior12#/

Gift Cards Needed!

WHS 2022-23 End Of Year Gift Cards: WHS Staff Appreciation Year End Gift Cards (signupgenius.com)

 $The staff at WHS have done an amazing job this year. \ Let's show them how much we appreciate them!$

may drop the gift cards by the office, or send your contribution via Venmo or Paypal.









Scan QR code for payment

We need your help!

We are looking for some amazing WHS parents to co-chair the Staff Appreciation committee, a treasurer elect and a site base position. This is a great opportunity to be more involved in your student's high school. Please contact us at w.d.h.s.ptso.nc@gmail.com for more information.



Senior Events:

May 22nd- May 26th: Senior Week! Many fun activities are planned during this week.

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.



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 24 of the 2022-2023 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 5/26/23 in order to be applied to exam exemptions.

2nd Semester Attendance Recovery

Students who have 8 or more Unexcused Absences (this includes Out of School suspension days) are required to complete Attendance Recovery. All students have now been notified of their required hours. Recovery sessions will be held in the school Media Center during the week of May 15th - 20th (see session times below). If you or your student have any questions about their required recovery time, please contact Mrs.TC Yost tammy.yost@ucps.k12.nc.us. Students may also stop by the attendance office to speak with her directly. Thank you for your support in having your student attend their required hours.

Morning/before school (M-F/15th-19th) 7:00-8:00 Afternoon/after school (M-F/15th-19th) 3:15-6:15 Saturday (May 20th) 8:00-12:00

2ND SEMESTER FINAL EXAM INFORMATION

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EOC and Teacher Made Final Exams Begin Monday, June 5th

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

Monday, June 5th - 1st Block Exams
Tuesday, June 6th - 2nd Block Exams
Wednesday, June 7th - 3rd Block Exams
Thursday, June 8th - 4th Block Exams
Friday, June 9th - Make-Up Exams

Required EOC Courses:

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

Spring 2023 CTE Courses with State Exams

- · Accounting I Honors
- · Accounting II Honors
- Animal Science II Honors
- · Business Law Honors
- Business Essentials
- · Foods and Nutrition I
- Culinary Arts and Hospitality I Honors
- Interior Design Honors
- Health Science I Honors
- · Fashion Merchandising

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 5th through Thursday, June 8th as well as on Friday, June 9th 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 9th. 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 9th.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR SENIORS



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.

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. The link for the Live Stream will be shared with families the week prior to graduation.

Graduation Tickets:

Each graduating senior will have 8 tickets to the ceremony. Each student must claim their tickets from the school website and distribute a QR code to their attendees. **Tickets became available to claim**Monday, May 1st and will remain available to claim through Friday, June 2nd at 11:59pm. The link to claim graduation tickets is on the bottom of the Class of 2023 Graduation page and tickets can also purchase on the Event Tickets page. 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.

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.

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.

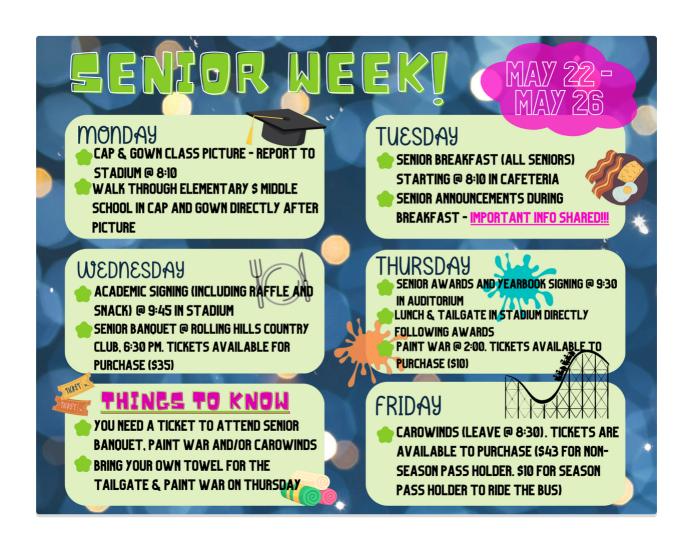
Senior Collections:

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.

Seniors will receive their yearbooks at the conclusion of the Awards Day on Thursday, May 25th. All other grade levels will be able to pick up their yearbook during lunch on Wednesday, May 31st and Thursday, June 1st.

There are 25 yearbooks remaining to purchase. They are \$100 and can be purchased while supplies last in the media center. Please contact Mrs. Anna Waldrup this any questions.

Senior Week





Senior Paint War - May 25th

The annual senior paint war will be on Thursday, May 25th. All seniors who wish to participate must purchase a ticket for \$7 and turn in a completed permission form by Monday, May 24th to Mrs. Miller or Mrs. Slaughter.

Senior Carowinds Trip - May 26th

Our senior trip to Carowinds will be on Friday, May 26th. All seniors who are interested in attending the trip must <u>purchase a ticket by May 19th</u>. Tickets are \$10 with a Carowinds season pass and \$43 without a season pass. In addition, seniors must turn in a <u>signed permission slip</u> to Mrs. Miller or Mrs. Slaughter by Friday, May 19th.



Jostens is offering this promotion to help students get their class jewelry with the \$ 40.00 off of the sales prices of today. This offer will take a jewelry purchase back to the pricing of the mid 2000 and teens. This offer will help keep the school jewelry programs continuing. This is an offer by Jostens to help today's students and parents with real saving!!! (Most Jostens jewelry is offered with this offer. Some exceptions, see below)

Use this offer to place your order online at www.jostens.com
PASSWORD SENIORGIFT40

SENIORGIFT40 ON PROMO LINE OR ORDER FORM

Use the above password if you place your order online

Add a qualifying existing high school jewelry item to your shopping cart. Enter code SENIORGIFT40 at checkout for order shipping within the US. Discount will automatically be deducted for eligible order on the applicable product only after the offer is applied. Valid only during the order period (expires after order day or any scheduled add order day within two weeks of order day.) Offer subject to adjustment due to returns, cancellations, and exchanges, and exchanges EXCUDES previous purchases, Tradewinds, Sarah Chloe, I Jostens Collections, Odyssey Pendant Necklace, E66, Cordaline Ring (E86) and Basic Option Rings (P11, P12, P31 and P32). Excludes select schools in LA/TX/AR/MO/KS/NY. Discount will not be applied to taxes, applicable shipping/handling and other fees. Limit one promo code per offer. Not valid for cash or cash equivalent. Offer may be modified or discontinued at any time without notice.

JEWELRY DEPOSIT \$ 100.00

Class of 2023 Forms to Complete:

Graduation Survey

SCOIR - update application FEES - check your outcomes for all colleges PowerSchool account applied **SENIOR WEEK -MIDYEAR TRANSCRIPT -**May 22 - May 26 Form found below **REQUIRED GRADUATION SCHOLARSHIPS** - any money PRACTICE - Friday, June 9 from any school, not just the @ 12:00 one you're attending **GRADUATION** -bring hard copy to Ms. - Monday, June 12 @ 8:00 Bowers am **GRADUATION SURVEY** - do not decorate caps or Form found below order cords

COUNSELING DEPARTMENT



JUNE 5, 6, 7: 1:00-3:00PM
WHS CAFETERIA

JUNE 7: 6:00-8:00PM
WHS AUDITORIUM



DAY 1 - JUNE 5TH

1:00PM

DR. MARY JORDAN & SHELBY WILMER

"COLLEGE APPLICATION GUIDEBOOK & SCOIR"



2:00PM

KELLY RAFFERTY

"MORE THAN A TOUR: MAKING THE MOST OUT OF YOUR CAMPUS VISITS"



1:30PM

CAMERON WALSH

"CURATING THE COLLEGE APPLICATION LIST"



2:30PM

BRITTNEY ROBERTSON

"RESUME WRITING"



DAY 2 - JUNE 6TH

1:00PM

MAGGIE MURPHY

"HOLISTIC REVIEW PROCESS"



2:00PM

ROBERT GAY

"WRITING THE COLLEGE ESSAY"



1:30PM

TANYA CHANCE & LAUREN MESEROLL

"COMMON APPLICATION"



2:30PM

KATHRYN LAUGHLIN

"I'VE BEEN DEFERRED. NOW WHAT?"





Class of 2023

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/gradsurvey2023

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

Please bring a copy of your scholarship award letters to Ms. Bowers in the counseling office. You can also forward the letter to janice.bowers@ucps.k12.nc.us. UCPS requires an account of every dollar (merit, athletic, other) awarded to seniors. A scholarship total will be announced at graduation.

Class of 2024

- 1. <u>Brag Sheet</u> 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. <u>Scoir</u> Parents! Ask your child to invite you to Scoir! To learn more about Scoir, https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=scoir
- 3. <u>TA (Teacher Assistant)</u> 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. <u>FLEX</u> 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.

5. 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.

PARENT UNIVERSITY - WHS auditorium

- Navigating FAFSA, Applying for Financial Aid, 6:00-7:00, June 7 Davidson College
- College Admissions Panel, 7:00-7:45, June 7 Davidson College, University of North Carolina
 Greensboro, Wingate University, East Carolina University, University of Toledo
- Understanding the College Application Guidebook, 7:45-8:00, June 7 Dr. Jordan

Register NOW to attend both events!



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.

@UCPSCollegePrep

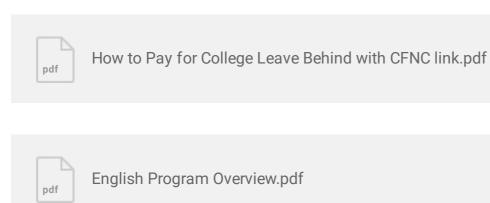
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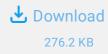
Other Counseling Department Info

- * New to Weddington Cluster New Student Registration: Stay tuned!
- * 2023-2023 Student Schedules Projected Timeline: Stay tuned!



▶ Download 2.0 MB









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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.

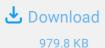
If a student does not schedule a studio session, we will have a makeup day later in the fall semester for seniors at school. This makeup session, however, will only include the yearbook photo. If a student does not get their senior picture completed by December 3rd, 2023, they will not be included in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

Cady Studios

2201 Crownpoint Executive Drive #E Charlotte, NC 28227 704-859-0737



Rising Senior May Booking flyer.pdf



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 <u>UCPS Technology Services</u>

<u>Handbook</u> and learn about valuable resources, district guidelines, use of Chromebooks, and more.

Thank you for your cooperation.

UCPS SUMMER CAMPS



Are you looking for FREE, fun and engaging summer activities for your middle or high school student? Union County Public Schools is offering nearly 20 Career and Technical Education camps that will expose students to a variety of careers and provide hands-on experiences. Camp options include music production, robotics, coding, career exploration, culinary, finance, automotive service and health science.

DETAILS:

WHEN: Camps are weekly in June and July

WHERE: Various middle and high schools

COST: No cost for families

MEALS: Lunch will be provided

TRANSPORTATION: Transportation is not provided

Additional information and registration: APPLY BY MAY 15

https://ucpscte.org/summer-camps/







14TH ANNUAL VARSITY SPORTS RECOGNITION NIGHT

Come out and support the Warriors and their accomplishments during the 2022-2023 school year!

Over 100 awards will be presented!

Wednesday May 31, 2023 WHS Auditorium 6:00pm

A NIGHT WTH THE KNIGHTS



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 <u>here</u> to learn more about our live stream partnership with the NFHS Network! Volleyball, wrestling, basketball, football, soccer and lacrosse will all be live streamed!



