

Warrior Weekly

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IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

Monday, January 30th - First day of Semester 2

Tuesday, January 31st - Last day to purchase yearbook

Monday, February 6th - Friday, February 10th - Counselor Appreciation Week

Wednesday, February 8th - Prom Fashion Show (see below for more information)

Wednesday, February 15th - Second Semester Open House (see below for more information)

FEBRUARY IS BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Weddington High School is excited to be celebrating Black History Month during the month of February. We look forward to continuing to celebrate the ways in which African Americans have made a tremendous impact on history and in our society. Students are encouraged to stay tuned to morning announcements and social media announcements to stay up to date on activities during the month and ways they can get involved!

REVERSE HOMECOMING WEEK

A banner for Reverse Homecoming Week. The title "REVERSE HOMECOMING WEEK" is in large, bubbly, blue-outlined letters at the top. Below it, "JAN 30 - FEB 3" is written in a similar style. The background is a dark basketball court with a basketball hoop and lights. On the left is an orange safari hat with blue goggles. On the right is a white basketball jersey with the number 23. The text "SPIRIT DAYS" is in the center, followed by a list of days and themes: "MON, JAN 30 - SAFARI DAY", "TUES, JAN 31 - CLASS COLOR DAY (9: WHITE, 10: BLUE, 11: GREEN, 12: BLACK)", "WED, FEB 1 - COUNTRY VS. COUNTRY CLUB", "THURS, FEB 2 - CHARACTER DAY", and "FRI, FEB 3 - JERSEY DAY". At the bottom, it says "REVERSE HOMECOMING KING WILL BE ANNOUNCED AT HALFTIME OF THE VARSITY MEN'S GAME".

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ATTENDANCE

Parents and students, please stay up to date on your attendance by utilizing your PowerSchool account on a weekly basis. Students are always welcome to stop by the Attendance Office to speak with Mrs. Yost, in person, regarding any questions or concerns. You may also contact her via email: tammy.yost@ucps.k12.nc.us

SECOND SEMESTER INFORMATION

Second Semester Begins Monday, January 30th

Students will follow their 2nd semester schedule beginning Monday, January 30th. **Students are asked to review their schedule in PowerSchool prior to coming to school on Monday. Paper copies of second semester schedules will not be distributed.**

Students are asked to **please check PowerSchool throughout the weekend to ensure they are aware of their most up-to-date schedule.** Some classes may have changed as staff have continued to balance out classes over the weekend. If you have a hole or a "please see your counselor" message on your schedule for first block, please remain in the cafeteria after the tardy bell rings. School counselors will be available to assist in selecting a course to fill this hole. **If a student is still waiting on a schedule change request, they are asked to please report to the class that is currently on their schedule.** Counselors are continuing to work on schedule change requests.

Please note: A schedule change request does not guarantee a schedule change. The schedule change request link for the first five days of semester 2 will be sent out on Monday. Students are advised to check Canvas announcements as well as their email for the link.

SPCC/Approved FLEX students: Key Fob Information

Semester 2 approved SPCC/Flex students will need to pick up their Key Fob from Mrs. Yost at the Attendance Office on Monday, January 30th. Please allow yourself extra time when you stop by, as their most likely will be a line. Semester 1 Key Fobs will need to be reactivated as well. If you have a Fob and are no longer an approved SPCC/Flex student, you are required to turn in your Fob to avoid the assigned fee.

Second Semester Open House



The spring semester Open House/Curriculum Night will be held on Wednesday, **February 15th, at 5:30 pm**. All parents are asked to report directly to your child's first period class. The event will begin promptly at 5:30pm 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 follow their student's schedule beginning with first period for a 10 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.

Following the completion of the Open House, the WHS School Counseling Department will be providing two information sessions for parents. A description of each information session can be found below. The first information session will begin at 6:45pm followed by the second information session at 7:20.

Open House Schedule

5:15pm – 5:30pm: Parents report to students 1st period class

5:30pm – 5:40pm: Virtual Message from Dr. Kraftson and WHS PTSO in First Period Class

5:40pm – 5:50pm: First period class

5:55pm – 6:05pm: Second period class

6:10pm – 6:20pm: Third period class

6:25pm – 6:35pm: Fourth period class

Information Sessions

6:45pm-7:15pm AP Information Sessions, *open to all grade levels*

Please join AP teachers as they share an overview of AP curriculum, coursework and expectations.

7:20pm - 8:30pm 2023-2024 Course Selections and Scoir, *all grade levels*

Please join School Counselors as they share an overview of the 2023-2024 course selection protocols including student responsibilities, dates and deadlines.

COUNSELING DEPARTMENT

School Counselor Caseload Assignments

Student last name beginning with: A-D

Mrs. Mallika Rajan: mallika.rajan@ucps.k12.nc.us

Student last name beginning with: I-M and E

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

Student last name beginning with: N-R and G-H

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

Student last name beginning with: S-Z and F (Department Chair)

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

Class of 2023 - Midyear Transcript / Midyear Report/ Midyear Grades - Request

Not all colleges/universities require a midyear transcript/midyear report. Check your email, review admissions pages, and login to your college portals to identify if this documentation is required. This [form](https://forms.gle/gmFFo6ZJZyb9sEUK6) (<https://forms.gle/gmFFo6ZJZyb9sEUK6>) should only be completed for those schools requesting or requiring a midyear transcript/midyear report.

Once Semester 1 exams have concluded and grades are finalized, the District will load final Semester 1 transcripts. This process could take up to 3 days. Please allow 2 weeks for transcripts to be submitted.

Only midyear transcripts requested via this document will be sent to colleges/universities. Email/voicemail requests will not be processed.

Check your SCOIR account for updates.

Semester 2 - Schedule Change Request

1. Schedule change requests can be submitted Wednesday, December 1st - Friday, February 3rd.
2. Modifications to schedules began Monday, December 12th and conclude **Friday, February 3rd**.
3. ONLY requests submitted via this [form](https://forms.gle/c3C3bdBYxdGEmruV6) (<https://forms.gle/c3C3bdBYxdGEmruV6>) will be considered.
4. Requests sent via email and/or voicemail will NOT be considered.
5. Please know submitting this form does NOT guarantee a schedule change.
6. Do not submit this form if you do not want the order of your current schedule to change, as this is a possibility.
7. Check PowerSchool often to identify if a modification to your schedule has been made.
8. Schedule changes are made in real time therefore a list of options cannot be made available.

Elective courses commonly offered at WHS:

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1bRZygN-JR1feXPrfpZFx5qTc3gcWxyEyvtsXaMvD2vl/edit?usp=sharing>

UCPS High School Academics: <https://www.ucps.k12.nc.us/Page/6405>

WHS DANCES

Sadie Hawkins Dance

This year's Sadie Hawkins Dance will be held on Saturday, February 25 in the WHS Cafeteria from 8 pm until 11 pm. Tickets went on sale Monday, January 23 and will end on Friday, February 24th at 3 pm. Tickets are \$25 dollars each and can be purchased [here](#). A WHS student who chooses to bring an outside guest must complete the attached guest form and submit with a photocopy of the guest's ID along with the form to Mrs. Waldrup by Friday, February 17th. Late forms will not be accepted.

SADIE HAWKINS DANCE

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25TH

8 PM – 11 PM | WHS CAFETERIA

SAVE THE DATE



2023 Sadies Guest Form.pdf

[Download](#)

360.2 KB

Junior/Senior Prom Information

Our annual Prom Fashion Show will be Wednesday, February 8th at 6:30 pm in the WHS auditorium. Tickets are \$5 and can be purchased [here](#). Everyone is welcome to attend for fun, fashion, and prizes. At the conclusion of the show, all juniors and seniors can purchase up to two prom tickets at the lowest price of the season for this one night only. All juniors and seniors must attend the show in order to purchase tickets on this night.

PROM
FASHION
SHOW

WED, FEB 8TH 6:30 PM
WHS AUDITORIUM

Save ^{THE} Date!

WHS JUNIOR AND SENIOR PROM

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SATURDAY, MAY 20, 2023
8:00 PM - 12:00 AM
RITZ CARLTON, CHARLOTTE



2022-2023 YEARBOOKS ARE STILL AVAILABLE!

Last day to
purchase your
YEARBOOK
is January 31!!

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

Arrival and Dismissal

As we begin the second semester, we want to share a few reminders with arrival and dismissal. We continue to encourage students and parents to allow extra time to get to school in the morning to ensure they are on time. We kindly ask that students are not dropped off or picked up in the student parking lot or in the bus lot. Only students with a valid parking pass will be permitted to park in the student parking lot.



Students are not to park in the church parking lot across from the school or on the streets in surrounding neighborhoods. 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 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.**



Drop Off Table

Should a student need an item brought from home, parents are permitted to do so. There is a drop-off table inside the main foyer. The school will not be responsible for any items left in this drop-off area. Classes **will not** be interrupted for pick-ups. Make sure to label them with your child's first and last name. **Food drop-offs by parents or outside delivery services (such as Door Dash, Uber Eats, etc.) will not be permitted.** Please plan ahead for events such as a forgotten lunch by arranging to have a balance in the student's cafeteria account. **No other deliveries will be accepted for students...this includes flowers and other gifts.**

UCPS COLLEGE READINESS DEPARTMENT EVENTS



UNION COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

PARENT

EDUCATION SERIES

SUICIDE AWARENESS

Feb. 16, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. - Sun Valley High

Participants will learn about terminology related to suicidal activity, prevalence, risk factors, characteristics and warning signs. They will also receive information about community resources.

PRESENTERS: Belle Walker and Susan Slattery-Rogers

ANXIETY AND STRATEGIES

March 9, 2023 at 6:30-7:30 p.m. - Sun Valley High

Trent Morrow, from L&B Counseling, will present "The Anxiety Trap." It's human to experience fear, self-doubt and confusion. In the right dose these feelings can be helpful—they keep us vigilant, engaged, and productive. However, sometimes anxiety can act as a trap when it begins to overburden our brains and undermine the way we and our kids perform. Trent will discuss how to break free from this kind of anxiety and discuss the strategies that can put us all in charge instead of the anxiety.

ACT Winter Practice Series



2 In-Person Practice Tests Online practice in between

Jan. 28 - Practice Test 1

Feb. 25 - Practice Test 2

Sun Valley HS, 8:00 AM

SIGN UP BY VISITING:

<https://bit.ly/winter23actpractice>



**COLLEGE
READINESS**

UCPS
UNION COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Students must register through their UCPS Google Account

ATHLETIC INFORMATION



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!



Stay Connected!

WARRIOR ATHLETICS SOCIAL MEDIA HAS MOVED!

BE SURE TO FOLLOW OUR DEDICATED ATHLETIC
SOCIAL MEDIA PAGES:



@weddingtonathletics



@WHSwarriors



WEDDINGTON HIGH SCHOOL PTSO



Thank you to everyone that has joined the WHS PTSO! Your membership and INVEST IN EXCELLENCE donations are greatly appreciated. Our INVEST IN EXCELLENCE donations are down quite a bit from this time last year. Please consider donating to the PTSO and INVEST IN EXCELLENCE to fund students and staff with many programs, scholarships, grants as well as support of the College Fair, Life Skills and so much more.

If you have not joined the PTSO or would like to donate to INVEST IN EXCELLENCE, please log onto

IT'S THE WEDDINGTON WAY!

Mark Your Calendars:

Spring Semester Open House: February 15th. This is a great opportunity to meet your student's teacher and WHS Staff.

Senior Events:

Senior Breakfast on 2/17 with Senior Class picture to follow.

Stay Tuned: more Senior Events to come

Teacher Mini Grants:

Reminder to Teachers - Applications for mini grants due by January 27th.

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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