

Warrior Weekly

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IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

Saturday, November 4th: Fall Play, A Midsummer Night's Dream (see below for more details)

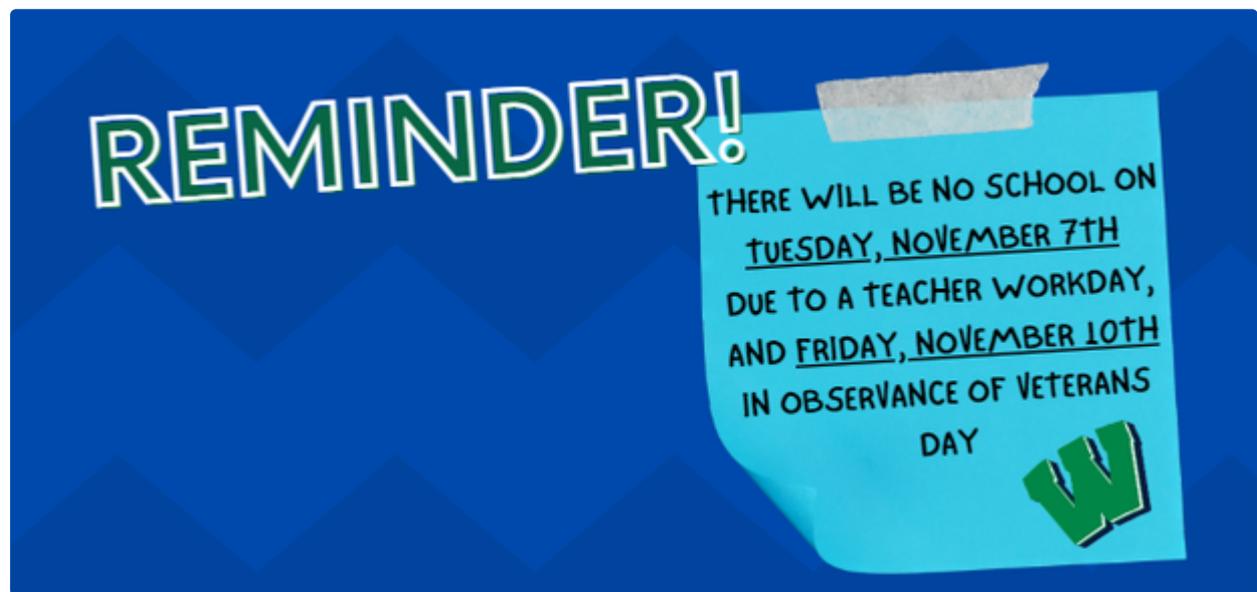
Tuesday, November 7: Teacher Workday, no school for students

Wednesday, November 8: Picture Re-Take Day (see below for more information)

Friday, November 10: No School in Observance of Veteran's Day

Tuesday, November 21: Early Release Day

Wednesday, November 22 - Friday, November 24: Thanksgiving Break - No School



PICTURE RE-TAKE DAY

CADY

Any freshman, sophomore, or junior who was absent for picture day, or would like a retake, will have their picture taken on Wednesday, November 8th. Students will be dismissed from class by last name and will report to the media center to get their picture taken. This is the last chance to have your picture taken for the yearbook. We will start promptly after morning announcements at 8:15 am.

JOIN THE WEDDINGTON HIGH SCHOOL PTSO!

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

CONGRATULATIONS SARA MIKES!...UCPS HOLIDAY CARD CONTEST TOP 10 FINALIST



Congratulations to WHS junior, Sara Mikes, on being a top 10 finalist in the UCPS Holiday Card Contest! Vote for your favorite holiday card by clicking [HERE](#). The winner will be announced Friday, November 17th. Good luck Sara and congratulations!

WHS FALL THEATRE PRODUCTION



Congratulations to the cast and crew of the WHS theater department's fall production, A Midsummer Night's Dream, on their incredible performance during their opening night last night! If you didn't get to attend last night, they will be performing tomorrow, Saturday, November 4th at 2:00 and 7:00 pm. This is an amazing show filled with comedy and drama - you don't want to miss out!

UCPS CTE PARENT SURVEY

The Union County Public Schools Career and Technical Education (CTE) Department is conducting a survey to collect data for the CTE Comprehensive Local Needs Assessment. The data collected will be used to develop the UCPS CTE local application for federal funding. Middle and high school parents are encouraged to participate in the survey, which will be available Oct. 24 – Nov. 1.

Click [HERE](#) to complete the survey.

ATTENDANCE

In the event your child is absent from school due to illness/injury, please provide written documentation to our Attendance Counselor, Mrs. TC Yost (tammy.yost@ucps.k12.nc.us). Either a doctor's note or written parent note is required to excuse the absence. Remember, parent notes will only be accepted during the current 6-week grading period, of the absent day. For more information regarding attendance, please reference the UCPS policy found on the website

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.

Tardies

At Weddington High School, we believe that teachers have a right to teach and students have a right to learn. Instructional time must be protected and without interruption in order to assure that quality teaching and learning are taking place in every classroom, every day. Instruction should and will be conducted from the time students enter the classroom through the time the bell rings and they are released by their teacher. At the beginning of class when the bell rings, teachers are to mark students arriving late to class tardy in PowerSchool. This applies to ALL blocks and lunches. Students missing more than 15 minutes of class, will be marked absent for the block. Keep in mind, students who leave a class should have a pass to avoid being marked incorrectly. * The WHS tardy policy can be found in the WHS student handbook which can be accessed by clicking [HERE](#).

*At the beginning of each semester, student tardies will reset**

UCPS has enabled an automated message that will go out each day to the parents of students who were tardy for one or more classes that day.

TRAFFIC SAFETY AT DISMISSAL

Parents, we need your help...our traffic directors have asked us to remind students and parents of the importance of following their direction at all times. Our traffic directors have noted that drivers often pull out onto 84 even when they have signaled for them to stop. This has been an issue particularly with student drivers leaving the student lot at the end of the day.



If your student drives to school, please remind them of the importance of following the traffic directors signals. Please also remind your students to use their turn signals so that the traffic directors know which way they are turning. We will also be reminding students of the importance of this during morning announcements. Thank you for your assistance with this.

Come check out the Weddington High School Theater department's Fall production, A Midsummer Night's Dream, by William Shakespeare. They will be performing on November 2nd at 7:00 pm and Saturday, November 4th at 2:00 and 7:00 pm. This will be an amazing show filled with comedy and drama - you don't want to miss out! Click [here](#) for tickets or scan the QR code below.

TRUNK OR TREAT!



CLASS OF 2024

Senior Pictures Information

There are 3 ways to get your senior pictures taken this year.

1. Between now and December 3rd you can book a session at Cady studios by visiting their website at <https://store.cady.com/>. There are several different packages available ranging in a variety of prices. The basic session package is \$30 and includes several poses of the senior tux/drape yearbook photo, cap/gown photo, and 1 scene of your choice. With this basic package, seniors will also be able to select the tux/drape photo they want to be included in the yearbook.
2. Senior picture make-up day will be **Monday, November 27th** during 1st and 2nd block. At this make-up session, students will only get a single shot of the tux/drape photo taken. Seniors will not be able to select the photo to be put in the yearbook. **THIS WILL BE YOUR LAST CHANCE TO GET YOUR PICTURE TAKEN FOR THE YEARBOOK.**

****Seniors who do not get their senior picture taken by December 3rd, 2023 will not be included in the yearbook.**

CLASS OF 2024 GRADUATION

Save the Date!
CLASS OF 2024
GRADUATION
MONDAY, JUNE 10, 2024
8:00 AM
 **WARRIOR STADIUM**



COUNSELING DEPARTMENT

Goodnight Scholar at NC State University

The Goodnight Scholarship is a full-ride scholarship awarded to prospective students from underrepresented communities in the fields of STEM with opportunities for professional development and service. To learn more, please join the virtual visit on November 8th at 7:pm. Participation [link](#) to the Zoom meeting hosted by Rex Colvar of NC State. Questions, please feel free to reach out to Mr. Colvar, recolvar@ncsu.edu.

Governor's School Applications

Applications to Governor's School are now being accepted. Applications must be received by November 10th.

Please email Ms. Scoggins with questions.



College Visits

Pre-Registration in Scoir

Open to Seniors and Juniors

Scoir <https://www.ucps.k12.nc.us/Page/7558>

Please reference the Scoir folder in the School Counseling Canvas page for a menu of detailed information and videos around setting up an account, downloading the app., viewing the calendar, etc.

Senior Conferences

Senior Conferences have begun. Email your counselor to set up an apt. to discuss college essays, applications, Scoir, Common App., and much more!

FAFSA

FAFSA, <https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa>. To best prepare, review resources found at financialaidtoolkit.ed.gov.

College Visits

On campus college visits are back! Wondering who will be on campus this week? Check the board in the cafeteria. Semester one visits are open to Seniors and Juniors.

Register in Scoir today!

1. Log into Scoir
2. Click on 3 lines in top right corner
3. Click on "Events and Deadlines"
4. Search for college of interest & sign up
5. Visits are in the Counseling Commons

SPCC

The South Piedmont Community College (SPCC) Career and College Promise (CCP) Program offers students an opportunity to earn college credit, tuition-free, while still in high school. These courses can be taken in a variety of formats (in-person and online), and they offer subjects ranging from transferable general education courses (English, Math, Science, etc.) to career and technical education courses (business, IT, medical assisting, welding and much more!). These courses can also help students achieve credits toward high school graduation while simultaneously earning college credit.

If you would like to learn more information about the opportunities that the CCP program offers, we encourage you to attend a virtual information session on the following dates at 6PM using the Microsoft Teams link provided:

Nov. 14, 2023

Dec. 12, 2023

Jan. 9, 2024

Feb. 13, 2024

March 12, 2024

April 9, 2024

Join on your computer, mobile app or room device

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

If you have any questions, please reach out to the Secondary Education Partnerships team at SEP@spcc.edu



How to Register for a Class- Career and College Promise (CCP) Student.pdf

[Download](#)

869.3 KB



How to View SPCC Class Schedule.pdf

[Download](#)

899.3 KB

YEARBOOKS ARE ON SALE!



Yearbook Staff Needs Your Help!

The Yearbook staff needs your help collecting first day of school photos for the book. Please share with us on Instagram at [whsyearbook23_24](#) or email them to our yearbook advisor at anna.waldrup@ucps.k12.nc.us

Senior Recognition Ads for Yearbook

Dear Parent or Student,

Yearbook recognition ads are a great way for parents, families and friends to commemorate student achievements and important milestones. In addition, revenues from recognition ads help our school to create a better yearbook. To purchase your ad online, follow the instructions on the form below. Jostens is managing your school's yearbook ad sales so please do not contact or send materials to the school. Please take into account our school's ad content guidelines on the bottom of this form during the creation of your ad online. All ad orders must be placed online by 01/15/2024.

ORDER YOUR YEARBOOK RECOGNITION AD TODAY!



ORDER BY		10/30	12/04	01/15
COLOR AD				
Full Page		\$350.00	\$400.00	\$450.00
1/2 Page		\$200.00	\$225.00	\$250.00
1/4 Page		\$150.00	\$175.00	\$200.00

EASY PAYMENT PLAN AVAILABLE*

*Credit card installment plan available for orders of \$30 or more.

IT'S EASY! Create your ad online at www.jostensadservice.com

1. Choose your ad size and layout.
2. Enter your text and upload your photos.

Important information about Yearbook Recognition Ads

- Our school reserves the right to edit ads per our guidelines.
- We retain the right to remove any explicit text, graphic photos or copyright-protected imagery or photos.
- For the ad to appear in the yearbook, your ad must be purchased by the order deadline.
- Color photographs uploaded for black-and-white ads will appear in black and white.
- We will make every effort to use your layout and text as indicated. A proof will not be provided and no changes can be made after purchase.

GUIDELINES SURROUNDING RECOGNITION AD CONTENT.

Our school reserves the right to edit ads per our guidelines. Please make sure all submitted materials are appropriate for school publication.

Frequently Asked Questions

How are the ad prices determined and what is the money used for?

Ad prices are determined by our school. The revenue from Recognition Ads helps support our yearbook and keep it affordable for everyone.

How is the ad deadline determined?

The ad deadline is set by our school based on the production schedule for the yearbook.

Can I create my student's ad on my mobile device?

Yes, yearbook ads can be created online from both desktop and mobile devices.

Can I send my materials to the school?

No, please do not send your materials to our school. Our school has selected Jostens to assist with our ad program. Please call our customer service number (800-358-0800) if you have questions or need assistance in creating your ad.

More questions? Call Jostens at (800) 358-0800.

www.jostensadservice.com



Weddington HS Senior Ads 2324.pdf

[Download](#)
879.8 KB

ATHLETIC INFORMATION

NEW PROTOCOL FOR UCPS EVENTS

This a friendly reminder that due to a number of safety incidents at athletic events around the county, UCPS implemented the protocols listed in the graphic below.

Please know that this applies to all athletic events, both indoors and outdoors, effective immediately. Please plan ahead: pre-purchase your ticket, store all bags/purses that do not meet criteria below at home, ensure there is adult supervision for children.

NEW PROTOCOLS FOR UCPS EVENTS

UCPS has experienced a number of safety incidents at athletic events around the county. Effective, Oct. 6, UCPS will implement the following protocols.

- Only clear bags, no larger than 4.5" x 6.5" will be allowed in events/games. Medical and baby bags are subject to search.
- Middle and elementary students must be accompanied by an adult (21 years or older) to attend events and games.
- All ticket sales will end at the beginning of halftime or at the mid-point of an event.



Athletic Department Update

Fall Sports are underway and off to a great start! Be sure to come out and cheer on the Warriors!

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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It's PIE TIME!

Each year all Warriors are invited to provide a pie for the staff of WHS (Faculty, Custodians, Counselors, Bus Drivers & Monitors, Nutrition, and Administration). Please see the SUG below and know that you can make a monetary donation through Venmo for our Staff Appreciation committee to shop for the pie for you! THANK YOU!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C044AACAA2CA6FE3-45613300-thanksgiving>



Next Senior Breakfast is November 17th!

President: Sherri McGirt

VP: Amanda Fink

Treasurer: Jenny Bergman

Treasurer Elect: Available

Membership: Heidi Hamilton

Secretary: Trista Jorges

Social Media: Danielle Klee

Senior Events: Terry Key & Shawn Keller

Staff Appreciation Co-Chair: Olga Bernhardt & Kristin Marion

Website Manager: Available

Site Base Reps: Eric Wang & Ben Fink

*** We are need of a Website Manager to oversee the WHS PTSO website and we are also looking for a treasurer elect. Both positions are available now. If you're interested, please email us at*

w.d.h.s.ptso.nc@gmail.com.

There's still time to join the **WHS PTSO** and Make a Difference in Our School Community! Your membership helps enhance our school community by providing student scholarships to Seniors, mini-grants to teachers, aid in the college fair, and many other activities for both students and teachers.

Please join the WHS PTSO at www.whsptso.com or use the QR code.

<https://cdn.smores.com/u/6538/dd512d8ad7cc6b6581768cd41d9fac2a.png>

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Scan QR code for payment

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.



LOOKING FOR A PREVIOUS WARRIOR WEEKLY? CLICK
HERE!