Wol. 2, Iss. 11 10/30/2023



Good evening, Parkwood Wolf Pack families,

The picture above is from one of the bulletin boards in the 700 building. The Power of Yet. What a powerful phrase! Students come every day to learn new things, to get closer to understand, to being able to do the things they couldn't do the day before. It's the hope and knowledge that, if they keep working at it, they will be able to understand, to pull up their grades, to pass their courses, to progress toward graduating. Please continue to encourage your students to take advantage of every opportunity to keep improving.

Thank you for your support! Go Wolf Pack!

<u>Remember to follow us on social media:</u> Follow us on Facebook: <u>ParkwoodHSNC</u> Follow us on Twitter: <u>@ParkwoodHSNC</u> Follow us on Instagram: <u>@ParkwoodHSNC</u>



PWHS Calendar

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Monday 10/30	Tuesday 10/31	Wednesday 11/01	Thursday 11/02	Friday 11/03	Saturday 11/04
Women's Golf State Championship @ Fox Fire Red Course 8:33	Women's Golf State Championship @ Fox Fire Red Course 8:33 Guilford College @ PWHS 11:10 AM (Sign up in SCOIR to attend) US Army @ PWHS during all lunches	Davidson College @ PWHS 2:50 PM (Sign up in SCOIR to attend)	Wake Forest University @ PWHS during 2nd-4th lunches in the Media Center (Sign up in SCOIR to attend) Concert Band Fall Semester Concert: Brought to You by the Letter C PWHS Auditorium 7:00	No Events	Cross Country State Championship @ Salisbury Community Park in Salisbury, NC

<u>Remember to follow us on social media:</u>

Follow us on Facebook: ParkwoodHSNC

Follow us on Twitter: @ParkwoodHSNC

Follow us on Instagram: @ParkwoodHSNC



Major Clarity Parent Night

Major
ClarityParent
NightMonday, October 30th

6:00-7:00pm This event will share information with parents regarding Major Clarity, which the UCPS service used for student career and academic planning. This service is provided by the UCPS Career and Technical Education Department for all students in grades 6-12. Through this event parents will learn how students access the service, get an overview of the platform, and how the service can benefit their students as they plan their futures.

Join Us https://bit.ly/UCPSMajorClarityInfo







October 31st

Reminder: Costumes are not allowed as addressed in our dress code. For more information, please refer to the **PWHS Student** Handbook 2023-2024.



NC Governor's School

About the Program

new possibilities.

for specific date.

The Governor's School is a 4

week residential program to

build a learning community

to explore and ask questions,

its own sake and discovering

GS Webpage on NC DPI

GS Family Overview

Application Deadline

Early November, 2023 - see school

where students are encouraged

with the purpose of learning for



North Carolina Governor's School A Summer Program for Gifted and Talented High School Students





Program

ebinar! Register by visiting oit.lv/24govschoolint



11th Graders

Academic Disciplines English

- Spanish
- Mathematics
- Natural Science Social Science
- Art Disciplines

• Art

- Choral Music
- Instrumental Music • Dance
- Theater

10th Graders

- Choral Music
- Dance Instrumental Musical

Click here for School Contac

Have the experience of a lifetime. Spend your* next summer at the NC Governor's School! In this four-week residential program, you can:

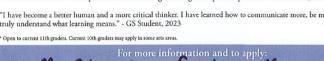
- Learn new concepts in engaging classes-all without the pressure of grades or tests
- Meet amazing new friends from across the state
- Participate in performances and presentations
- Focus on the subject area of your interest and discuss new ideas
- Attend exciting elective seminars, workshops, and campus-wide activities
- Gain experience to help you prepare for college

Contact MS. Schastian

Because of Governor's School...

"I feel like I am a whole new person and feel as though nothing can top this experience." - GS Student, 2023

"I have become a better human and a more critical thinker. I have learned how to communicate more, be more confident, and truly understand what learning means." - GS Student, 2023



Guidance office www.negovschool.org

3rd!

Please see Ms. Sebastian before Friday, November







College Aspirational Event





ABOUT THE EVENT

This event is free and open to students in grades 9-12. It is a great opportunity to learn more about college and to start planning for the future. Scan the QR to Register.



11.30 AM | 4 November, 2023



Wingate University, LaVerne Banquet Hall/Crowder Welcome Center

WHAT TO EXPECT

Meet with local employers

- Mock college classroom
- On-site scholarships and acceptance
- A free lunch



WINGATE WWW.OURFUTUREINUNISON.ORG

College

Aspirational Event



Student parking



Last call for 11th & 12th grade parking. In November we'll begin assigning 10th grade parking. 10th grade students need to be filling out all information now. Only fully completed parking applications with documentation and payment will be considered. If necessary, we will use a lottery system to select (if more students want parking than we have spots).

<u> Parking Pass Info</u>



PWHS PTSO

The PWHS PTSO uses our monthly newsletter and social media as our primary sources of communication. Please make sure you are following us on Facebook at <u>Parkwood HS PTSO</u> and on Instagram at <u>Parkwood</u> <u>PTSO</u> to stay up to date on all the latest events and information. Check out our <u>October newsletter</u> for details on upcoming events, volunteer opportunities and fundraisers.

PWHS PTSO At a Glance

- The wait is over our <u>online Spirit Wear shop is NOW LIVE</u>! Shop the latest fan gear and support your PWHS PTSO. All items will be delivered to your student at school.
- Have you purchased your Class of 2024 Senior Package? If not, what are you waiting for?! Purchase a <u>Senior Package</u> and start celebrating your Senior today!
- Looking ahead to November:
 - PTSO General Meeting Tuesday, 11/14 @ 7pm in the Student Center
- Help us help Parkwood High School! Join the PWHS PTSO by <u>purchasing a family</u> <u>membership for \$10</u>; your membership helps fund PTSO sponsored student and teacher events throughout the year

If you have any questions about the PTSO or are interested in a Committee Chair role, please feel free to send us an email at <u>parkwoodptso@gmail.com</u>. Thank you for supporting the Parkwood High School PTSO! It's going to be a great year!

PWHS PTSO Executive Board

Kerri Lowery PWHS PTSO President Kim Starnes PWHS PTSO Vice President Brianne Tolani PWHS PTSO Treasurer Adrienne Jaquith PWHS PTSO Secretary





ASVAB

Wednesday, Nov 15, 2023 from 8:30-11:30am.

The ASVAB (Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery) measures aptitude and acquired skills which can be used to help predict future academic and occupational success. ASVAB scores give students insight into their options and aid them in planning their next step after high school. The ASVAB is also used by the military for enlistment and classification.

Must be in 10th, 11th or 12th grade to take the test. The test will be on computer and takes about 2 1/2 hours.

Must sign up at <u>https://forms.gle/6Hq9zHaW4dFDuGdo7</u> by Thursday, 11/9/2023.

SPCC

Students in 11th & 12th grade who meet eligibility requirements may take college classes at SPCC. Must have a minimum 2.8 unweighted GPA or higher.

If you are a senior or junior interested in learning more information about taking college classes at SPCC in spring 2024 while in high school please complete this interest form: <u>https://forms.gle/fimtJGa99P6eHSRG6</u>

South Piedmont Community College is hosting information sessions on the Career & College Promise program for students interested in taking classes SPCC while in high school. Parents & students are encouraged to attend. Click here for more information on how to attend the sessions below: <u>https://spcc.edu/areas-of-study/high-schools/</u>

2023-2024 Virtual CCP Info Sessions –All info sessions begin at 6 PM.

November 14, 2023, December 12, 2023, January 9, 2024, February 13, 2024, March 12, 2024 and April 9, 2024



Union Power Cooperative

Seniors- please see the information below for the Union Power College Scholarship open to Seniors planning to attend a NC accredited college or university. Deadline is March 1, 2024.

Juniors- please see the information below regarding the Youth Tour. Deadline is December 31, 2023.



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Enhancing and **Empowering** our local communities.

Union Power Cooperative invests in teachers, students, families, and their futures through powerful partnerships and programs that support our mission to enhance the quality of life of our members and the communities we serve. This principle is woven deeply into our various programs.





The Union Power College Scholarship is available each year from September through March to current high school seniors planning to attend a North Carolina-accredited college or university. The scholarship is a one-time offer of \$1,000. The senior must be a child of a Union Power Cooperative member or live in a home served by Union Power Cooperative.

COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP





In 1994, North Carolina's electric cooperatives dedicated their interest in improving education. The Bright Ideas grant program has expanded over the past two decades, encouraging teachers to share their bright ideas that will be meaningful and engage students to further their education. Teachers from our service area can apply for up to \$2,000 per grant from April through September.

Youth Tour provides an opportunity for high school juniors to have an unforgettable, all-expense paid trip to

Washington, D.C. Students will Tearn about the history of the nation's capital and better understand how American history has shaped the U.S. today. It also allows students to take on leadership roles and learn their value as a citizen.









Each year, students in the sixth and seventh grades can apply for a chance to play on the court for two of the state's largest universities - N.C. State and University of Chapel Hill from January through March.



PWHS Counseling Department

The focus of the PWHS Counseling Center is to provide students with support in their academic, career, and personal/social development. The counselors assist students with scheduling, course selection, career exploration, college and scholarship advising, coping with peer pressure and stress, developing time management skills and more. To make an appointment with your counselor complete the <u>meeting request form</u>, stop by the counseling center, email or call 704-296-0154.

Counseling Staff

- * Mr. Troy Harris 9th Grade
- * Ms. Stacey Sebastian 10th-12th (A-G)
- * Mrs. Shari Davison 10th-12th (H-M)
- * Mrs. Terri Onley 10th 12th (N-Z)
- * Ms. Ashlee Reynolds 9th-12th (Student Support)
- * Mrs. Valerie Simmeth Career Development Coordinator
- * Mrs. Shawn Johnston Counseling Center Administrative Assistant

Additional Support

- * Mrs. Robyn Mobley School Social Worker
- * Ms. Thais Yeon Behavioral Health Therapist
- * Ms. Wendolyn Davis SPCC Career Coach





PWHS Counseling Department

Students! Sign up in SCOIR to visit with colleges

- Check in SCOIR to see who is scheduled to visit our campus during the week and sign up to attend by the deadline to participate.
- In November: University of South Carolina

Interested in playing sports in college?



Reach out to Mr. Harris who can help you make sure you are on track by using the <u>meeting request form</u>

Seniors College Information



 Now is the time to start the application process for colleges. Below are links to information on the steps to applying. If you need help with College Applications reach out to your counselor by using the <u>meeting request form</u>. We are here to assist you.

Steps for Applying to Four Year Colleges

Steps for Applying to Community Colleges

Requesting Transcripts and Recommendations for College Applications

 Students use SCOIR (access from the UCPS student high school start up page) to keep track of their applications and request transcripts. This link <u>https://bit.ly/35jrLNu%C2%A0</u> will show you how to add colleges, request transcripts and letters of recommendations from teachers.



PWHS Counseling Department



Where can you find scholarships?

*Wolf Pack Scholarship Opportunities This list is put together by the counseling office and is updated regularly.

*Voice of Democracy Scholarship

-\$35,000- 50 Awards (Deadline: October 31, 2023) To be eligible for the scholarship a student must: A) Currently be in high school between the grades 9-12. B) Be enrolled in a public, private, or parochial high school or home study program in the United States. Applications can be found by going to: https://www.vfw.org/community/youth-and-education/youth-scholarships

*Park Scholarships at NC State University:

The Park Scholarship is a four-year scholarship awarded on the basis of outstanding accomplishments and potential in scholarship, leadership, service, and character. This scholarship is valued at about \$116,000 for North Carolina residents, including: tuition and fees; room and board; books and personal expenses; educational trips, retreats, and seminars; enrichment grants to fund study abroad, research projects, service activities, conferences, early course registration, and more. Students are selected based on scholarship, leadership, service, and character. A complete description of each quality is available <u>here</u>. For more information, please visit: <u>http://park.ncsu.edu/</u> Deadline to submit Park application: November 1, 2023

*The Robertson Scholars Leadership Program

A community of leaders within Duke University and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, striving to make transformational contributions to society. The Robertson Scholars Leadership Program seeks students who have demonstrated outstanding potential to become great leaders in college and beyond. Our goal is for Robertson Scholars to play significant and impactful roles in their communities and society, today and in the future. Students must apply for undergraduate admission to Duke and/or UNC-Chapel Hill the same year they apply to the Robertson Scholars Leadership Program. Robertson Application Deadline: November 15, 2023. More information can be found <u>here</u>.



Athletics



Don't miss out on the great things happening in our athletics department! Visit their website to view the latest news from games and events, see photos of our athletes in action, view live streams, purchase tickets and more! <u>Use this link to see</u> how to access on your mobile device.

Every student needs to purchase an All Sport Student Pass. Only \$40 for every single home game this year - all sports! (Playoff games excluded - and we plan to play in playoff games a lot this year :) https://parkwoodathleticzone.com/partner/28/event/4 178/buy-tickets Passcode = UCPS Student ID number



Student parking



Hang tags for students who have been assigned parking will be available to pick up from Ms. Gibbs in the office.

Parking Pass Info



UCPS College Readiness



2023-2024 UCPS College Readiness Series

For more info and to register visit <u>https://bit.ly/collegereadysessions</u>

Live Events

Scoir for Seniors - Aug. Practice SAT - Sept./Oct. ACT/SAT Blitz - Sept. College Entrance Exams 101 - Oct. Union County College Fair - Oct. HS Programs Expo - Dec. Paying for College - Dec. Practice ACT - Jan./Feb. ACT Blitz - Feb. Getting Ready for College - Mar. SAT Blitz - Apr. Writing a College Essay - May

On-Demand Library

Always available at the link above.

Scoir for Underclassmen College Recruiting for Athletes Choosing the Right Path in HS

@UCPSCollegePrep



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With a new school year comes a need to make sure that we have the correct contact information for all our families. Please take a moment and verify in PowerSchool that the following are still correct:

- Contact Names
- Contact Numbers
- Contact Emails

Please contact <u>melinda.rivers@ucps.k12.nc.us</u> to update your information.

Keep in Mind- You will need to show your ID when coming to the school so please remember to bring it with you.



Quick Links

Office Phone: 704-296-0154

PWHS & UCPS Information

- <u>Counseling Department</u>
- <u>PWHS CTE</u>
- UCPS Calendar
- Media Center
- <u>Transportation Bus App (New!)</u>
- <u>Volunteer Information</u>
- <u>Annual Parent Notification Process/Policy 5-08</u>

Instructional Support

- Student Technology Help Desk
- Technology Tutorials for Parents and Students
- EmpowerEd Parent Portal
 - Mobile Apps, Attendance and Grades, Canvas Access and Tutorials
 - <u>Tutorial Video</u>

Back to School Forms

- Free and Reduced Lunch Application (If Applicable)
- Military Connected (If Applicable) *
- Notice of Right to Withhold Consent (If Applicable) *
- <u>Request for Medical Information</u> (Required) *
- <u>Authorization to Carry Medicine (If Applicable)</u>*

* Indicates physical copy. Please print, complete and return to homeroom teacher, if applicable. Physical copies are available in front office, upon request.



Quick Links

<u>PWHS Student Handbook</u>

- Attendance Policy
- Student Dress Code

Edulog for Bus Transportation Zone

Parking Pass Info

Yearbook Information

Say Something Anonymous Reporting System

Chromebook issues:

- New students report to media center to collect new computer
- Broken computers/computer issues, see Mr. Gaither between 12:00 4:00