

Wolf Pack Press

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Dear Wolf Pack families,

- Election Day is November 5, 2024. (No school that day.) Parkwood High School has a place on the ballot - with the school bond. Please vote!
- We're halfway through the first semester. Please continue to encourage your students to give their best at every opportunity in all of their classes in order to earn the results that they strive for.

Remember to follow us on social media:

Follow us on Facebook: [ParkwoodHSNC](#)

Follow us on Twitter: [@ParkwoodHSNC](#)

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PWHS Calendar

Monday 11/04	Tuesday 11/05	Wednesday 11/06	Thursday 11/07	Friday 11/08	Saturday 11/09
US Marines on campus during lunches Western Carolina University on campus- sign up in SCOIR	Teacher Workday- No school 5:00/ 7:00 Flag Football @ Weddington vs Cuthbertson and Weddington	University of Alabama at Birmingham on campus- sign up in SCOIR US Navy on campus during lunches	7:00 Fall Symphonic Band Concert in the Auditorium 4:00 to 8:00 PTSO Spirit Night @ Jersey Mike's in Wesley Chapel AND Waxhaw	ASVAB testing 8:30-11:30 in the Media Center	No Events

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Parkwood Pack Players Fundraiser

SPRING MUSICAL FUNDRAISER



THE PARKWOOD PACK PLAYERS ARE RAISING FUNDS TO PURCHASE RIGHTS TO BE ABLE TO PERFORM A MUSICAL AGAIN THIS SPRING.



Royalties: \$390

Rental fee for scripts: \$1,175

Music Rental Fee: \$1,450

Total Fee \$3,015

We hope to produce Little Women, The Musical

The numbers above are for this specific musical.



Parkwood Pack Players Presents Clue

PARKWOOD PACK PLAYERS PRESENTS

Clue

HIGH SCHOOL
EDITION

November 15 & 16
@ 7PM



Tickets
Students: \$5
Adults: \$10

Produced by special arrangement with Playscripts, Inc.
All UCPS Employees are FREE. Just show your badge!





UCPS 2024 Bond Vote



Union County Public Schools (UCPS) is committed to ensuring that all students receive a quality education in safe and efficient learning environments.

On Nov. 5, Union County residents will vote on **\$39,421,448** in school bonds. This bond package will address aging facilities at Parkwood High and East Union Middle. The schools were built in the 1950s and 1960s, and are inadequate for modern-day teaching and learning.

This bond will invest in pre-construction for a new Parkwood High School and a construction project that will relocate East Union Middle to the Forest Hills High campus. The 2024 bond will build on previous commitments and investments to provide modern schools for our students. For Parkwood High, the funding will address design work, assessments and land surveys. For the East Union Middle project, the funding will provide demolition, additions and building renovations to accommodate middle school academic and athletic programming.

With a successful bond, more projects will move up on the priority list for capital needs and future bonds. All communities benefit when we value public schools. District improvements increase safety, support evolving educational programs and practices, modernize aging facilities and directly impact the quality of life in Union County.

BOND PROJECTS \$39,421,448



EAST UNION MIDDLE REPLACEMENT SCHOOL PROJECT

Approximately \$27,567,447



- Original East Union Middle was built in the 1950s
- Construction to relocate East Union Middle to the Forest Hills High campus
- Repurpose the current Forest Hills High building for East Union Middle
- Demolition, additions and renovations to accommodate middle school academic and athletic programming
- Classroom and outdoor space to align with the AgTech program

PARKWOOD HIGH PRE-CONSTRUCTION PROJECT

Approximately \$10,705,804

- Original Parkwood High was built in the 1960s
- Pre-construction services will include:
 - Design services for a replacement school
 - Environmental studies, land surveys and traffic impact analysis
 - Geotechnical testing to identify soil and subsurface materials
 - Site development and construction permits

PROGRAM CONTINGENCY/MANAGEMENT (*This applies to both projects)

Approximately \$1,148,197

- Cost of over runs, unforeseen conditions, changes in scope on construction

STAY CONNECTED www.ucps.k12.nc.us/bond2024





UCPS 2024 Bono Voto



Las Escuelas Públicas del Condado de Union (UCPS) se comprometen a garantizar que todos los estudiantes reciban una educación de calidad en entornos de aprendizaje seguros y eficientes.

El 5 de noviembre, los residentes del Condado Union votarán acerca de **\$39,421,448** en bonos escolares. Este paquete de bonos abordará las instalaciones antiguas de Parkwood High y de East Union Middle. Las escuelas fueron construidas en las décadas de 1950 y 1960 y son inadecuadas para la enseñanza y el aprendizaje de hoy en día.

Este bono se invertirá en la pre construcción de una nueva escuela secundaria Parkwood High y en un proyecto de construcción que trasladará East Union Middle al campus de Forest Hills High. El bono 2024 se basará en compromisos e inversiones anteriores para proporcionar escuelas modernas a nuestros estudiantes. Para Parkwood High, los fondos se destinarán al trabajo de diseño, evaluaciones y estudios topográficos. Para el proyecto East Union Middle, los fondos proporcionarán demolición, ampliaciones y renovaciones de edificios para dar cabida a los programas académicos y deportivos de la escuela intermedia.

Con un bono exitoso, más proyectos ascenderán en la lista de prioridades para necesidades de capital y bonos futuros. Todas las comunidades se benefician cuando valoramos las escuelas públicas. Las mejoras del distrito aumentan la seguridad, apoyan la evolución de los programas y prácticas educativas, modernizan las instalaciones antiguas e impactan directamente la calidad de vida en el condado Union.

BOND PROJECTS \$39,421,448



EAST UNION MIDDLE PROYECTO DE REEMPLAZO DE ESCUELA

Aproximadamente \$27,567,447

- East Union Middle fue construida originalmente en la década de 1950
- Construcción para reubicar East Union Middle en el campus de Forest Hills HS
- Reutilizar el edificio actual de Forest Hills High para East Union Middle School
- Demolición, ampliaciones y renovaciones para acomodar los programas académicos y deportivos de la escuela secundaria
- Aula y espacio exterior para alinearse con el programa de AgTech (Tecnología Agrícola)



PARKWOOD HIGH PROYECTO DE PRE CONSTRUCCIÓN

Aproximadamente \$10,705,804

- Parkwood High fue construida originalmente en la década de 1960
- Los servicios previos a la construcción incluirán:
 - Servicios de diseño para una escuela de reemplazo.
 - Estudios ambientales, topografía y análisis de impacto del tráfico.
 - Pruebas geotécnicas para identificar el suelo y los materiales del subsuelo.
 - Permisos de desarrollo y construcción del sitio.

PROGRAMA DE CONTINGENCIA/ADMINISTRACIÓN (*Esto aplica para ambos proyectos)

Aproximadamente \$1,148,197

- Costo de sobre ejecuciones, condiciones imprevistas, cambios en el alcance de la construcción.

MANTENGASE CONECTADO www.ucps.k12.nc.us/bond2024





PTSO Information

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 [Parkwood HS PTSO](#) and on Instagram at [Parkwood PTSO](#) to stay up to date on all the latest events and information.**

GENERAL PTSO UPDATES:

- Order your Spirit Wear [here](#)! All orders are delivered to the school for pick up by the student.
- Join us for our next meeting on Wednesday, 11/6 at 6pm; all are welcome!
- Mark your calendar for Thursday, 11/7 at 4pm-8pm, for Spirit Night at Jersey Mike's in Waxhaw AND Wesley Chapel!

SENIOR UPDATES:

- **ATTENTION SENIORS and PARENTS OF SENIORS** – You must order a Senior Package to attend the monthly Senior Events sponsored by PTSO (minimum purchase of White Package \$30; order your Senior Package [here](#)); Senior Packages will be offered for sale again in early 2025.

If you have any questions about the PTSO, please feel free to send us an email at parkwoodptso@gmail.com. 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

Lauren Jenkins PWHS PTSO Treasurer

Adrienne Jaquith PWHS PTSO Secretary



Summer Programing



**Governor's School
of North Carolina**

Summer Program

Click on the link below for more information:

https://youtu.be/SoSEfz_nH6M

About the Program

The Governor's School is a 4 week residential program to build a learning community where students are encouraged to explore and ask questions, with the purpose of learning for its own sake and discovering new possibilities.

GS Webpage on NC DPI

GS Family Overview

Application Deadline

November 6, 2024 - see Mr. Atkinson in counseling.

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 Music



HBCU Festival 2024

HOME | EVENTS | GIVE



FRIDAY
NOV 08
4:00PM - 8:00 PM
VIRTUAL

SATURDAY
NOV 09
9:00AM - 4:00 PM
VIRTUAL & IN-PERSON

THE ST. JAMES
6875 Industrial Rd | Springfield, VA 22151

REGISTER ONLINE AT [ALFREDSTREET.ORG](https://alfredstreet.org)

REV. DR. HOWARD-JOHN WESLEY, SENIOR PASTOR | [ALFREDSTREET.ORG](https://alfredstreet.org) | [f](https://www.facebook.com/alfredstreet) [i](https://www.instagram.com/alfredstreet) [y](https://www.youtube.com/alfredstreet) | #ASBCFEST | MT. S. ALFRED STREET | ALEXANDRIA, VA 22314

Alfred Street Baptist Church invites you to the country's most exciting and largest HBCU Festival!

Top 5 Reasons Students Should Attend The ASBC HBCU Festival:

1. Apply onsite and receive same-day admissions decisions!
2. Several opportunities to receive scholarships!
3. Fun & informative HBCU seminars!
4. Engage with HBCU reps and find out why you should attend an HBCU!
5. It's Free!

Registration is NOW OPEN!

We look forward to having you join the 2024 HBCU festival!

REGISTER



Local Scholarship Information

Seniors, it is time to be applying for scholarships. Where to look:

- Website of all the colleges you are applying to
- Where your parents work, bank and community groups they are involved with
- Free search engines that can be found on our scholarship webpage:
<https://www.ucps.k12.nc.us/Page/4819>
- [Wolf Pack Scholarship Opportunities list](#) – This list in order by deadline date and is updated regularly with scholarships as we become aware of them.

Concerto High School Musicians Scholarship

- \$2,500 – 3 Awards (Deadline: **November 15, 2024**) To be eligible for the scholarship a student must: A) Be a high school musician (grades 9-12) enrolled during the 2024-2025 academic year. String, piano and harp players are eligible to apply. Applications can be found by going to:

<https://www.marineband.marines.mil/educational/concerto-competition/>

Thomas Wolf Scholarship at UNC Chapel Hill

The Creative Writing Program and the Department of English of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill are pleased to announce the Thomas Wolfe Scholarship, which offers full four-year financial support to one incoming freshman per year. Thomas Wolfe Scholarship applicants must apply simultaneously to the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill by the **October 15, 2024 EARLY** admission deadline and must meet all academic requirements for EARLY admission. Scholarship applications are due by **November 15, 2024**. These are two distinct application processes and require different forms and separate mailings. See website for application and additional information:

<http://englishcomplit.unc.edu/creative/scholarship/tws>

NC A&T - University Honors Program

- application will grant consideration for each program and depending upon the criteria met, applicants will be placed into a review for one or all scholarships. Deadline for the Honors Program is **TBA**.

- Cheatham-White Scholars Program
- Dowdy Scholars Enrichment Program
- February One Scholars Program

Apply here: <https://applyhonors.ncat.edu/>

Jefferson Scholarship from the University of Virginia

\$333,000 for a non-Virginia resident (Deadline: **November 15, 2024**) To be eligible for the scholarship a student must A) Attend the University of Virginia B) Be an exceptional leader, scholar and citizen with accomplishments both inside and outside the classroom. More information can be found [here](#). If you are interested in being nominated, please see Mrs. Davison or your counselor in the Counseling Center.

Dr. Juan Andrade Jr. Scholarship

- \$1,000 – 20 Awards (Deadline: **November 30, 2024**) To be eligible for the scholarship a student must: A) Be enrolled or accepted for early enrollment as full-time student, in an accredited institution in the U.S. B) Have at least one parent of Hispanic ancestry and demonstrate financial need. Applications can be found by going to:

<https://www.uskli.org/dr-juan-andrade-scholarship-for-young-hispanic-leaders/>



NC College Connect

✓  NC College Connect

THIS IS YOUR MOMENT!

With a weighted GPA of 2.8 or above, you're one step closer to college.

Your moment has arrived, and this is your opportunity to meet it head on. This simplified application process helps you avoid stressful applications and subjective essays.

Seniors—If you had a 2.8 weighted GPA at the end of your junior year, you're ready!

NC College Connect is a program that offers qualified students the opportunity for a simplified application process at select UNC System universities and their local North Carolina community college—as long as they meet state graduation requirements and UNC System course requirements.

Imagine what your college future could be like at...

- Elizabeth City State University
- Fayetteville State University
- University of North Carolina Asheville
- University of North Carolina at Greensboro
- University of North Carolina at Pembroke
- Winston-Salem State University
- Your local North Carolina community college



Visit NCCollegeConnect.org or scan the QR code to learn more about how to claim your spot.

Here's what you need to know.

1. If you have a weighted GPA of 2.8 or above, you have the opportunity for a simplified application process to the participating NC colleges and universities.
2. To claim your spot, you should scan the QR code on your letter (or the one below!) to visit NCCollegeConnect.org.
3. There you will find a "Claim Your Spot" button that will take you to the NC College Connect portal if you are already logged into your CFNC account. (Tip: If you are not logged in, you will be asked to log in using your CFNC credentials or create a new CFNC account.)
4. After logging in, you will see a list of colleges and universities where you can complete a simplified application for each institution.
5. Once you've submitted your simplified application(s), the college(s) will contact you with more information about next steps.
6. These simplified applications will have fees, possibly ranging from \$30 to \$75. Submit your simplified application during College Application Week (October 21–27, 2024) to avoid application fees for most participating institutions.

What are you waiting for?
Meet your momentum and explore your options at NCCollegeConnect.org.





Attendance

We are excited to introduce a new Student Absence Form designed to enhance our ability to accurately track and manage student attendance. This initiative is part of our ongoing effort to ensure every student receives the support they need to succeed academically.

<https://ucpsapps.ucps.k12.nc.us/absence/index.php?val=high>

To use the form, you'll first have to create an account. You will be able to submit screenshots of doctor notes, parent notes, etc. when you submit. First semester, using the form will be a choice. Second semester, we will be exclusively using the form.



Counseling Department Information

Senior Night Information Links

Career Resources -

<https://bit.ly/PWCareerRes>



Senior Night College Presentation -

<https://bit.ly/PW12thColNtPres>



Senior Year College Planning Timeline -

<https://bit.ly/12thCollegeTimeline>



Steps to Applying to Four-Year Colleges -

<https://bit.ly/Apply4yr>



Applying to Community Colleges -

<https://bit.ly/Apply2yr>



Scholarships Google Doc -

<https://bit.ly/PWScholarshiplist>



College Application Workshops Sign up -

<https://bit.ly/PWColAppWorkshpsF24>



(student must be signed into school google account)

ASVAB (Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery) - will be given on Nov 8th to students sign up at the link:

<https://bit.ly/PWHSASVABFall24>

(students must be logged into school google account)





Career and College Promise Information

Career & College Promise Program

The **Career and College Promise Program** allows high school students who qualify to enroll in community college courses while still attending their home school. These courses can be used for dual credit in order to meet high school graduation requirements as well as accumulating towards an associate's degree or as a plan to meet general education requirements in the college or university setting. Union County Public Schools coordinate through South Piedmont Community College for this dual enrollment experience.

- 11th & 12th grade students must have at least a 2.8 unweighted GPA to qualify for the program. There are two types of pathways students can choose: Career and Technical and/or College Transfer.
- 9th & 10th may only take a few Career Technical Pathways that do not have transferable classes to 4 year colleges. Must meet certain eligibility requirements.
- Students are required to pay for \$60 per course for ebooks. UCPS will reimburse currently enrolled UCPS students up to \$50 per CCP course for approved ebooks. Students facing financial hardship can contact Mrs. Davison in counseling for additional options.
- Tuition is paid for by the state of NC. There is no tuition cost for students.

Students interested in taking classes for Spring 2024 need to complete the following interest form: <https://bit.ly/PWCPPSpring25> (student must be logged into school google account)





Career Plans

Parents,

Beginning in the 2024-2025 school year, NC Senate Bill 193 requires that **all** students in grades 6-12 have a career plan. A student's initial career plan will be created by the end of their 6th grade year and then revised annually through 12th grade. UCPS will utilize Major Clarity as the platform for students to create their career plan. This can be accessed by students through Clever. Parents are encouraged to review their student's career plan with them each year.



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 [meeting request form](#), 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-N)
- * Mr. Adrian Atkinson- 10th - 12th (O-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. Emily Harrell - Mental Health Therapist





PWHS Counseling Department

Students! Sign up in SCOIR to visit with colleges

- Check in SCOIR to who is scheduled to visit our campus during the week and sign up to attend by the deadline to participate.

In November: Western Carolina University, University of Alabama at Birmingham, and University of North Carolina at Greensboro

- Interested in playing sports in college?



Reach out to Mr. Harris who can help you make sure you are on track by using the [meeting request form](#).



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 [meeting request form](#). 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 <https://bit.ly/35jrLNu%C2%A0> will show you how to add colleges, request transcripts and letters of recommendations from teachers.



College Readiness Series



2024-2025 College Readiness Series

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Scoir for Seniors	August 27, 2024	Webinar
College Entrance Exams 101	September 17, 2024	Webinar
Union County College Fair	October 13, 2024	CATA
FAFSA Completion Support	November 7, 2024	Monroe branch of the Union County Library
Getting Ready for College	November 16, 2024	Wingate University
ACT/SAT Blitz	November 23, 2024	Location TBD
High School Programs Expo	December 7, 2024	Union County Ag Center (hosted by CTE)
ACT Blitz	February 1, 2025	Location TBD
College Transition for Students with IEPs and 504s	February 4, 2025	Webinar
Practice ACT Series	February 8, 2025 and March 1, 2025	Location TBD
SAT Blitz	March 22, 2025	Location TBD
Practice SAT Series	March 29, 2025 and April 12, 2025	Location TBD
What Makes a Good College Essay?	May 13, 2025	Webinar

For more information and to register, visit
<https://bit.ly/collegereadysessions>.



Parents & Guardians

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 melinda.rivers@ucps.k12.nc.us 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

[PWHS Student Handbook](#)

[UCPS BOE Student Handbook](#)

- [Attendance Policy](#)
- Student Dress Code
- [Parents' Bill of Rights](#)

[Edulog](#) for Bus Transportation Zone

[Parking Pass Info](#)

[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