



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





PWHS Calendar

Monday 9/23	Tuesday 9/24	Wednesday 9/25	Thursday 9/26	Friday 9/27	Saturday 9/28
US Marines on campus during lunches 3:30 Women's Golf @ Stonebridge 4:00 Women's Tennis vs CATA 5:30/7:00 Men's Soccer @ Monroe	US Army on campus during lunches 4:00 Women's Tennis vs Monroe Cross Country (RRC @ Cane Creek) 5:00/ 6:00 Volleyball @ Forest Hills	US Navy on campus during lunches 5:30/ 7:00 Men's Soccer vs Piedmont	5:00/ 6:00 Volleyball vs West Stanly 6:00 JV Football vs Eastern Randolph 4:00 Women's Tennis @ West Stanly 5:30/7:00 Men's Soccer @ Forest Hills	7:00 Varsity Football @ Eastern Randolph	No Events

Remember to follow us on social media:

Follow us on Facebook: [ParkwoodHSNC](#)

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

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



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 preconstrucción 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





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 College Application Workshops** - during WIN Block
- Sign up to attend at <https://bit.ly/PWColAppWorkshpsF24> (student must be logged into school google account)
 - NC Residency & FSA ID - 9/24 or 10/8
 - Applications & SCOIR - 9/26 or 10/10
 - The College Essay - 9/30 or 10/14
 - Financial Aid & Scholarships - 10/2 & 10/18
 - Application Week Help - 10/21 through 10/25

North Carolina Merit Scholarships Presentation

Virtual Information Sessions on Sept. 26 & Oct 2: 6pm-7pm



NC Central
UNIVERSITY

Cheatham-White
Scholarship Program



ECU **BRINKLEY-LANE
SCHOLARS**


CHARLOTTE
LEVINE SCHOLARS PROGRAM



NC STATE
UNIVERSITY

Park Scholarships

REGISTER AT:
go.ncsu.edu/ncmeritscholarships

United States Senate Youth Program Applications Now Open

Applications are open for the U.S. Senate Youth Program for high school juniors and seniors. Two student delegates and two alternates will be selected to represent North Carolina, meet high-ranking government officials and participate in education, leadership and public service activities during Washington Week, March 1-8, 2025. Each delegate will also receive a \$10,000 undergraduate college scholarship.

Learn more and apply for the [United States Senate Youth Program](#).



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.

If you are interested in being considered as a school nominee for the following please complete the interest forms below (student must be logged into school google account):

***LEVINE SCHOLARSHIP-UNC CHARLOTTE**

The Levine Scholars Program takes the brightest, most capable students and gives them the tools, resources, and environment they need to connect, transform, and make a difference in the world. The four-year scholarship includes full tuition, room and board, a grant to implement a service project of the Scholar's own design, and four summers of experiences that will develop leadership skills, social awareness, and an international perspective. The total value of this four-year package is estimated at \$105,000 per in-state student. For more information, please visit: <http://levinescholars.uncc.edu/>.

****To apply, students must be endorsed by their school counselor or you may self-endorse. DEADLINE TO [SUBMIT INTEREST FORM](#) (student must be logged into school google account) TO BE CONSIDERED FOR SCHOOL ENDORSEMENT: September 25, 2024.**

Deadline for self-endorsement consideration: **October 15, 2024.**

Deadline to submit UNCC admissions application: November 1, 2024; Levine Application : November 15, 2024

****NC State Centennial Scholars Program, Textile Pioneer Scholars, NCTF and NCTF Prestige Scholarships - College of Textiles: [Click here for information](#)**

Must be majoring in a textile degree program at NC State. There are several scholarship award levels with the highest valued at \$95,500 over 4 years awarded to the top applicants. Selection will be based upon demonstrated high academic achievement throughout high school with proven and potential leadership qualities, extracurricular activities and unique life experiences. Students must be nominated by their high school for this award, or self-nominate between October 1st and November 10th. DEADLINE TO [SUBMIT THE INTEREST FORM](#) (student must be logged into school google account) TO BE CONSIDERED FOR SCHOOL ENDORSEMENT: **October 1st, 2024.**

Deadline for self-endorsement consideration: **November 10, 2024.**

Deadline to submit NC State Admission application: November 10, 2024

Must complete the FAFSA by **January 31, 2025.**

Union County Christmas Parade Princess

Are you a senior interested in being nominated to be the Parkwood High School Parade Princess in the Union County Christmas Parade and be in the running for the Alex Kahle Memorial Scholarship? The parade princess should reflect leadership, academic excellence, and commitment to community service. Complete the nominee inquiry form <https://forms.gle/43MmPNgFyT6cmRPL9> by **October 1, 2024.**



PTSO Information

Adopt A Paw 2024-2025



\$20 per Family



For the 2024-2025 school year, PWHS PTSO will be selling Paw Prints. Paw prints will be painted on the sidewalk to mark the path from the fence entrance of the stadium leading to the visitor side. Not only will you be leaving your mark on Parkwood, but you'll be helping to guide the path for visitors to our school. Let's see if we can push even further down the path this year.

Paw prints can be ordered online for \$20 per paw or in person at any PTSO event throughout the school year.

<https://checkout.square.site/buy/YH7CDBT7ICCTI37BIKVFLVZH>

If you donate by 9/30, your name will be included on a banner to be hung when the walkway is complete.

For questions, email us at parkwoodptso@gmail.com

Be a Part Of the Pack





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.**

What can you do to help support PWHS students and staff?

- Join the PTSO by clicking [here](#) to purchase a \$10 family membership
- Donate to our 1 Pack 1 Family Fundraiser by clicking [here](#); **this fundraiser ends on 9/30!**
- Adopt a Paw for \$20 by clicking [here](#). **This is the last week to purchase a paw print and have your name included on a banner to be hung around the fencing on the track.**
- Attend a PTSO meeting or volunteer at an event and get involved! We meet on the first Tuesday of every month at 6pm at school. The PTSO is nothing without YOU!

GENERAL PTSO UPDATES:

- Order your Spirit Wear [here](#)! All orders are delivered to the school for pick up by the student.
- Join us for a Homecoming Tailgate Planning Meeting on Wednesday, 9/25 at 5:30pm at the school
- Join us for our October meeting at the school on 10/2 at 6pm

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](#)). The next PTSO sponsored Senior Event will be Thursday, 10/31.

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



PTSO Senior Information

CLASS OF 2025 SENIOR PACKAGES

BLACK LEVEL PACKAGE



\$100

- Senior Wolf Pack Yard Sign
- Senior Class T-Shirt
- Senior Class Hoodie
- Senior water bottle
- Senior Class Lanyard
- Family PTSO Membership (required to be eligible for PTSO Scholarships)
- Includes participation for all special senior events



BLUE LEVEL PACKAGE

\$60

- Senior Wolf Pack Yard Sign
- Senior Class T-Shirt
- Senior Class Lanyard
- Family PTSO Membership (required to be eligible for PTSO Scholarships)
- Includes participation for all special senior events

WHITE LEVEL PACKAGE

\$30

- Senior Class T-Shirt
- Family PTSO Membership (required to be eligible for PTSO Scholarships)
- Includes participation for all special senior events



**CHOOSE
YOUR
DESIGN**



A Senior package purchase is required to participate in PTSO sponsored events!

(Minimum white package)



Portrait of a Graduate



PORTRAIT OF A GRADUATE

STUDENT LEADERSHIP TEAM



What is it?

Do you embody the 5 attributes of the UCPS Portrait of a Graduate?
Apply today to be on the **UCPS Portrait of a Graduate (PoG) Student Leadership Team!**

This team of student leaders will help integrate the five PoG attributes - effective communicator, resilient problem solver, key contributor, innovative leader, and skilled collaborator - into UCPS high schools and the district.

Selected students will serve at the school or district levels, participating in monthly meetings and leading county-wide initiatives.

Apply Today!

<https://bit.ly/PoGstudentleader>

Deadline to apply is
September 30, 2024!





College Fair

ATTENTION JUNIORS & SENIORS

College fair

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OCTOBER
14

at Monroe HS

Free Bus to and
From!!

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Over **40+**
Colleges
are Invited!

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Learn more about various
programs these colleges have to
offer!

**SIGN UP VIA THE QR
CODE BELOW (MUST BE
SIGNED INTO GOOGLE
ACCOUNT)**



For more information
please contact Ms. Sebastian





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)





Parkwood Pack Players Fundraiser

https://give.livingtree.com/c/parkwood-players--help-every-child-at-parkwood-high-school-participate-in-the-art-of-drama_1

Funds are used for participation in NCTC (The North Carolina Theatre Conference) High School Play Festival and to purchase rights, scripts, costumes, set pieces, and props to perform a spring musical and participate in the Blumey Program for high school musical theatre awards.





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)





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](#) [t](#) | #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



PWHS Yearbook Recognition Information

Parkwood High School

DEADLINE: 11/01/2024

Yearbook Recognition Ads are the perfect way to commemorate achievements and celebrate milestones. To purchase your senior ad online, follow the instructions listed below. Jostens is responsible for our school's yearbook ad sales.

Ad space is first come, first serve. If all the pages are filled, no more ads will be sold.

Please do not contact or send materials to the school. Please also consider our school's ad content guidelines below during the creation of your ad online.

ALL ORDERS MUST BE PLACED BY NOVEMBER 1ST!

ORDER BY 11/01/2024

COLOR AD

Full Page	\$300.00
1/2 Page	\$200.00
1/4 Page	\$135.00
1/8 Page	\$90.00

Taxes, service fees, and shipping fees will be added, if applicable. Jostens payment plan available; minimum purchase requirements and eligibility restrictions apply.

3 EASY STEPS TO CREATE A YEARBOOK RECOGNITION AD!



Step 1

Choose your ad size and layout
(Options may vary by school.)



Step 2

Add your photos



Step 3

Enter your text

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What are the guidelines for recognition ad content?

Schools may review and edit ads per their guidelines. Jostens retains the right to remove any explicit text, graphic photos or copyright-protected imagery or photos.

School Ad Content Guidelines

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

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

Recognition ad prices are determined by our school. Revenue from recognition ads helps the school create a better, more affordable yearbook.

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.



(800) 358-0800
jostensadservice.com/student





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





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 October:** East Carolina University, Hollins University, Kent State University, Queens University of Charlotte, and UNC Asheville

- Interested in playing sports in college?



- a. 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

🐦 @UCPSCollegePrep

📷 ucpscollegeprep

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