

# Wolf Pack Press



Good evening, Parkwood Wolf Pack families!

It's time to talk about the 2024-2025 school year! There is a lot of great information included in Wolf Pack Press every week. Please take the time weekly to review the information provided. We try to pull the new information to the front of the publication and push the repeat pages. This is so that you see first what is new.

Very important in this issue:

- Student access to PowerSchool and their 2024-2025 schedules.
- Process for schedule correction.
- PSAT for 11<sup>th</sup> grade students

Freshman Orientation will be held Friday, August 23, from 12:30 - 2:00. We will begin with a meeting in the new gym.

Open House (for 10th-12th grade students) will be Friday, August 23, from 2:00 - 3:30.

Our school days are 8:30 – 3:30 every day. Please go ahead and make plans to have your students at school in time to get to class before 8:30 every day. Also, keep in mind that the first couple of weeks of the school year always includes added traffic. It'll take longer to drop students off at the beginning of the day and to pick them up in the afternoon. If your student rides a bus, those rides are slower at the beginning of the year as each bus is taking new students on their routes and dealing with the traffic associated with the beginning of the school year.

Parkwood High School will be closed the morning of Monday, August 19, as we will all be off campus for a beginning of year meeting. Staff will continue to be in meetings on campus for the remainder of the day with the exception of some of our office staff.

We're really looking forward to having our Wolf Pack students back to school for the 2024-2025 school year. We hope they're as excited as we are!

Go Wolf Pack!

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



# 2024-2025 Student Schedules

PowerSchool will open for students on Friday, August 16, 2024. Students will be able to see their schedules at this time.

Please use [this link](#) to access the form for schedule corrections. The form will open on Tuesday 8/20/2024 at 5:00 pm.

Deadline to request a schedule correction is Friday, August 30, 2024 at 3:30 pm

Requests for both 1st and 2nd semester should be made at this time. All corrections must be requested on the same submission. Only one request (form entry) will be allowed per student.

All schedules have been reviewed. Changes will not be made for students who were placed in their 1st or alternate choice courses requested.

Requests will only be considered for the following reasons:

- Senior is missing a required class for graduation or for college admissions
- Student has not met or is missing a prerequisite for a course for which they are enrolled
- Student is taking a course that he/she has already passed
- Student is missing a required core course (English, Math, Science, Social Studies) in their schedule
- Student has the same course listed twice on their schedule
- Level change in core class (ie. Honors to CP - only if there is space available in the new level course)
- Student has "Please See Your Counselor" listed on their schedule

A counselor will email you as we are able to process your request at your UCPS school email whether a correction can or cannot be made to your schedule. Counselors will not be responding to schedule requests made by email or by phone.



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FOR DONATIONS

**2024-2025 1 Pack 1 Family  
Campaign**



The PTSO works together with school administration to enhance the educational environment for our students, promote the morale and well-being of those who impact the student experience, increase parent involvement and help build community spirit. Consider making a donation today.



## PTSO Information

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TO JOIN OUR PTSO  
\$10 PER FAMILY



### 2024-2025 FAMILY MEMBERSHIP

**Your membership dues will help provide treats and activities for students and staff, supplies for classrooms, fund PTSO events and allow us to work towards purchasing campus directional signs.**



# PWHS Calendar

Monday 8/19	Tuesday 8/20	Wednesday 8/21	Thursday 8/22	Friday 8/23	Saturday 8/24
6:00 Soccer vs Union Academy  5:00 Volleyball @ Northpoint	5:00 Volleyball vs Porter Ridge	6:00 Soccer vs Butler	5:00 Volleyball vs Piedmont  6:00 JV Football vs Cuthbertson	12:30-2:00 Freshman Orientation  2:00-3:30 Open House (10th-12th Grade)  7:00 Football @ Cuthbertson	No Events
Monday 8/26	Tuesday 8/27	Wednesday 8/28	Thursday 8/29	Friday 8/30	Saturday 8/31
<b>First Day of School</b>  5:00 Volleyball vs Sun Valley  6:00 Soccer @ Butler	5:00 Volleyball vs Forest Hills	6:00 Soccer @ Sun Valley	6:00 JV Football vs Pageland  5:00 Volleyball @ West Stanly	7:00 Football @ Pageland	No Events

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# PSAT/NMSQT for Juniors

**PSAT/  
NMSQT®**

 **CollegeBoard**

 NATIONAL MERIT  
SCHOLARSHIP CORPORATION

Current juniors have the opportunity to sign up to take the PSAT/NMSQT, which is the National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test and practice for the SAT test. This is optional for junior and they must sign up to take it. The PSAT will be given at the end of October during the school day. UCPS will pay for current juniors only to take the exam. The deadline to sign up is **August 29th.** Juniors must sign up at [this link.](#) Please note that students must be logged in to their school Google account to access the form.



# 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.



# College Launch

## WAKE FOREST UNIVERSITY COLLEGE LAUNCH

COLLEGELAUNCH.WFU.EDU

### INSPIRING STUDENTS TO PURSUE GREATNESS

College LAUNCH for Leadership is a FREE nine-month college prep program focusing on social justice and leadership development. Our program serves high performing, under-resourced high school juniors in the Charlotte, NC and Winston-Salem, NC areas.



#### DISCOVER

connections between your career aspirations and passion for social change through mentorship and networking opportunities.



#### PREPARE

for the college application process with campus tours, resume and essay writing workshops, financial aid sessions, and interview coaching.



#### IMPACT

social change in your schools and communities by completing a Youth Participatory Action Research project.

**LEARN. ACHIEVE. UNDERSTAND. NETWORK. COMMIT. HELP.**



### 1 PROGRAM



CHARLOTTE

### 2 COHORTS



WINSTON-SALEM







# Wingate Gateway

WINGATE GATEWAY SCHOLARSHIP

WINGATE



South Piedmont Community College  
 Central Piedmont Community College  
 Stanly Community College  
 Richmond Community College  
 Rowan-Cabarrus Community College  
 Blue Ridge Community College



## A four-year degree for \$2,500 per year or less?

### Make your dreams a reality with the Wingate University Gateway Scholarship

Wingate University is working with area community colleges to break down financial barriers and provide students with a seamless transfer pathway. Our community college partners include South Piedmont, Central Piedmont, Stanly, Richmond, Rowan-Cabarrus and Blue Ridge.

Build on your success in community college and earn a scholarship to complete your bachelor's degree for no more than \$2,500 per year in tuition!

#### Requirements

- Meet our admission standards
- Earn your associate's degree from a participating community college with at least a 2.5 GPA.
- Complete the FAFSA or financial responsibility form.

#### Gateway Scholarship NEXT STEPS

1. Submit an online application to Wingate.
2. Provide your high school and community college transcripts.
3. Complete the FAFSA or financial responsibility form.
4. Once accepted, commit to Wingate by submitting your enrollment deposit.

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#### Gateway Scholarship FAQs

- Our admission application is FREE. There is no separate application for the scholarship. High school students should submit our first-year undergraduate application. High school graduates (those who completed community college courses after graduating from high school) should use the transfer-student application.
- The scholarship is for up to 4 years (8 semesters) at Wingate as long as students maintain a GPA consistent with our academic standards.
- The scholarship is applied to a student's financial aid after all other institutional, federal and state aid have been applied toward tuition.
- The scholarship can be used for any undergraduate program (not just certain majors.)
- Scholarship recipients are responsible for the costs of room, board and a meal plan if they live on campus (average additional cost of \$10K per year).
- The scholarship is not limited to a certain number of recipients each year. Any student who meets the qualifications is eligible.
- Although it is not an income-based scholarship, families are required to complete the FAFSA or a financial responsibility form, to be eligible.
- The scholarship includes any associate degree pathway.
- Students must be enrolled full-time at Wingate (12 or more credit hours) to receive the scholarship.

#### Gateway to Wingate Tips

- Plan your courses. Work with your community college advisor and Wingate to ensure that your courses will transfer toward your major.
- Visit Wingate University's campus.
- To receive a schedule that best fits your academic goals, submit your enrollment deposit early.

#### Areas of Study

##### Undergraduate Majors

Accounting  
 Biochemistry  
 Biology  
 – Agricultural and Food Systems  
 – Biology and Education  
 – Environmental Biology  
 Environmental Biology/Public Health Track  
 Chemistry  
 – Chemistry and Business  
 Communication  
 – Health Communication  
 – Journalism  
 – Speech & Theater  
 – Sports Medicine  
 – Strategic Communication  
 Criminal Justice  
 Education  
 – Educational studies  
 – Elementary Education  
 – Middle Grades Education  
 – Reading & Elementary Education  
 English  
 – English & Education  
 Exercise Science

– Fitness Professional Track  
 – Pre-Professional Track  
 Finance  
 Health and Physical Education  
 History  
 – History Education  
 Human Services  
 International Business  
 Management  
 Marketing  
 Mathematics  
 – Mathematics & Business  
 – Mathematics & Education  
 Music  
 – Music Education  
 – Music Performance  
 Nursing  
 Political Science  
 Psychology  
 Public Health  
 Religious studies  
 Sociology  
 Sport & Recreation Management

##### Pre-Professional Programs

Pre-Professional Programs  
 Pre-Dentistry  
 Pre-Law  
 Pre-Medicine  
 Pre-Nursing  
 Pre-Occupational Therapy  
 Pre-Pharmacy  
 Pre-Physical Therapy  
 Pre-Physician Assistant  
 Pre-Veterinary Medicine  
 Pre-Ministerial

##### Graduate Programs

Accounting  
 Business  
 Education  
 Elementary Education  
 Educational Leadership  
 Higher Education  
 Executive Leadership  
 School Superintendency  
 Medical Science  
 Occupational Therapy  
 Pharmacy  
 Physical Therapy  
 Physician Assistant  
 Public Health  
 Social Work (under development)  
 Sport Management

If you have questions about Wingate's admissions application, please contact Valerie Graham, Valerie@wingate.edu, 704-233-8103.



# College



# 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





# 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](mailto: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

[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