

## Reminder:

We will be exclusively using the new Student Absence Form designed to enhance our ability to accurately track and manage student attendance at the beginning of the 2nd Semester.

**To use the form, you'll first have to create an account.**

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

This initiative is part of our ongoing effort to ensure every student receives the support they need to succeed academically.

**Remember to follow us on social media:**

**Follow us on Facebook:** [ParkwoodHSNC](#)

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

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



# PWHS Calendar

Monday 02/10	Tuesday 02/11	Wednesday 02/12	Thursday 02/13	Friday 02/14	Saturday 02/15
No Events	4:30/ 6:00/ 7:30 Men's and Women's Basketball @ Piedmont	No Events	No Events	4:30/ 6:00/ 7:30 Men's and Women's Basketball vs. CATA  3:45 Indoor Track & Field State Championship @ JDL Fast Track  Men's Wrestling for the 3A Midwest Regional @ North Davison	Men's Wrestling for the 3A Midwest Regional @ North Davison

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## National SRO Appreciation Day

Saturday, February 15th is National SRO Appreciation Day so we wanted to let Officer Tyson know how much we appreciate him! He is always there for the students and the staff and not only makes Parkwood High School safer, but makes it more friendly too. Thank you Officer Tyson!

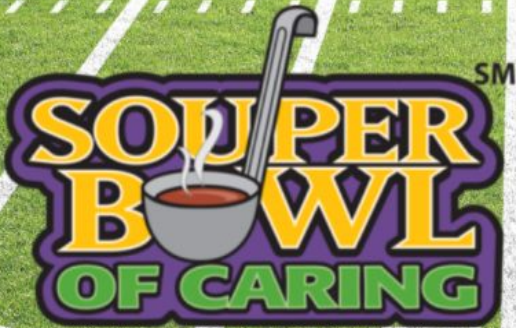






## Souper Bowl of Caring

**JOIN US IN THE FIGHT  
AGAINST HUNGER**



**January 9-  
March 16**

All proceeds will go to our  
local community shelter.

Give online at [bit.ly/25PWSouperBowl](http://bit.ly/25PWSouperBowl) or give  
cash at our PTSO-sponsored lunch on Feb 7th.



# 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:

- **Clear crossbody bags now available to purchase – order your Spirit Wear [here!](#) All orders are delivered to the school for pick up by the student.**
- To support the PWHS administration team as they recognize great attendance, PTSO is asking for gift card donations to be used as prizes for the monthly attendance drawings. Click here to sign up to donate gift cards: [PTSO Gift Card Donation](#).

## SENIOR UPDATES:

- The next PTSO sponsored Senior Treat will be THIS Friday, 2/14 during lunch!



- REMINDER: to receive the PTSO sponsored Senior Treat, you **must** purchase a Senior Package (minimum purchase of White Package \$30; order your Senior Package [here](#)); Senior Packages will be available for purchase through the end of Spring Break.

If you have any questions about the PTSO, please feel free to send us an email at [parkwoodptso@gmail.com](mailto:parkwoodptso@gmail.com). Thank you for supporting the Parkwood High School PTSO! It's going to be a great year!

PWHS PTSO Executive Board





# PTSO Senior Package

## 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



**CHOOSE YOUR DESIGN**

### 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



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

**(Minimum white package)**



# Registration Timeline for Rising 10th-12th



## Parkwood High School Rising 10th-12th Grade

### Registration Timeline 2025-2026

<https://bit.ly/PWHSRegistration>

**1/23-1/24** – Students receive registration information

- \* registration instructions
- \* registration form
- \* course selection options

**2/6** – Information Night @ 6:30pm for students & parents in Auditorium

**2/7** – Last day for students to enter course requests into PowerSchool

**2/10-2/28** – Counselors meet with students individually to review course requests and make any changes to course levels or electives. Students must turn in signed registration form at counselor meeting.







# Financial Aid Awareness Month



February 2025

## Financial Aid Awareness Month

Funding a college education shouldn't be a mystery. As part of Financial Aid Awareness month, NCSEAA and CFNC bring you FAFSA February's How to Pay for College webinar series to help you make informed decisions about your future.

**Monday, Feb. 3, 6-7 p.m.**  
**How to Pay for College |  
Understanding Financial Aid**

**Monday, Feb. 17, 6-7 p.m.**  
**FAFSA Walkthrough**

**Monday, Feb. 10, 6-7 p.m.**  
**NC State Aid**

**Monday, Feb. 24, 6-7 p.m.**  
**Evaluating Financial Aid  
Offer Letters**



### Sign Up

For more information and to register, scan QR code or go to [www.CFNC.org/events](http://www.CFNC.org/events)







# FAFSA information for Seniors

## SENIORS – Financial Aid For College

**The 2025-2026 FAFSA - Free Application for Federal Student Aid is now open**

Create your account at [StudentAid.gov](https://StudentAid.gov) - takes 1 to 3 days to process account registration. If you have an account log in.

- Once processes apply early using the 2025-2026 FAFSA to find out what financial aid you may be eligible for in college next year.
- Financial aid is available for trade schools, community colleges and universities.
- NC students filling out the FAFSA may qualify for the [Next NC Scholarship](#), which benefits most students from households making \$80,000 or less. The scholarship fully covers tuition and fees at any community college or more than half, if not all, of tuition and fees to attend any public university in the state for eligible students

**Have these documents on hand.** Here are the main things students need to complete the FAFSA. (For a full list of items needed, [here's an easy, printable checklist](#)).

- Recommend parent & student are together when completing FAFSA form.
- Photo or copy of Social Security Card or Green Card (if applicable)
- 2023 Federal Tax Forms
- Personal email address

<https://www.cfnc.org/pay-for-college/apply-for-financial-aid/> is a great resource to assist with FAFSA.

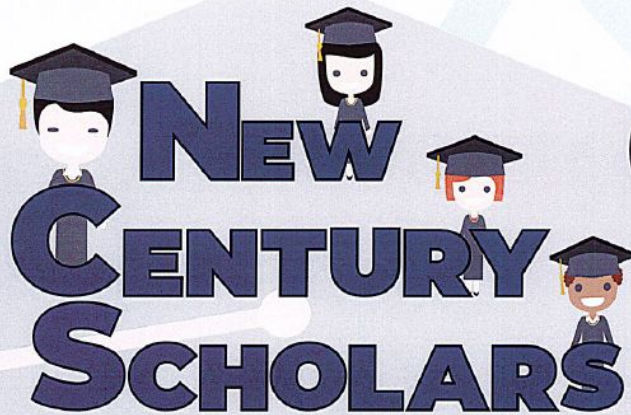
If you have questions please reach out to your student's counselor.



# New Century Scholars

## Looking for money for college?

Have you  
heard of

NEW  
CENTURY  
SCHOLARS



<https://bit.ly/2025NCSApp>



Scholarship for



students presented by





# 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.

## **Free 1:1 Virtual Assistance/Ayuda gratis individual y virtual- FAFSA Support for Families**

Did you know that we are offering 1:1 virtual appointments on evenings and weekends for families that have questions about the FAFSA or need support in completing it? To sign up, click on this link:

<https://calendly.com/collegereadinessucps>, select the FAFSA support button with the language which best supports your needs, then, easily identify the day and time that works best for you and your family to meet with one of our College Readiness FAFSA Completion Supporters.

¿Sabías que ofrecemos citas virtuales individuales por las tardes y los fines de semana para familias que tengan preguntas sobre la FAFSA o necesiten ayuda para completarla? Para registrarte, haz clic en este enlace, <https://calendly.com/collegereadinessucps>, selecciona el botón de ayuda de la FAFSA con el idioma que mejor se adapte a tus necesidades y, luego, identifica fácilmente el día y la hora que mejor te convengan a ti y a tu familia para reunirte con uno de nuestros asesores de preparación universitaria para completar la FAFSA.

If no times are available, please contact Erika Leon at [erika.leon@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:erika.leon@ucps.k12.nc.us) for assistance.

## **The Places You Go Scholarship**

- \$1,000 - 1 Award (Deadline: February 28, 2025)

To be eligible for the scholarship a student must:

A) Be a current high school senior, college student, or graduate student who is a legal resident of the United States residing in one of the 50 states or the District of Columbia and have a 3.0 or higher GPA.

Applications can be found by going to:

<https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/19148/the-places-you-go-scholarship>

## **SECU Foundation “People Helping People” Scholarships**

- \$10,000 - February 28, 2025.

All eligible high school seniors must meet the following requirements:

- Must be a senior at a North Carolina public high school
- Must be an SECU member or is eligible for membership through a parent/guardian
- Must be a United States citizen, a resident of North Carolina, and eligible for in-state tuition
- Must be accepted to attend one of the 16 UNC system universities as a full-time undergraduate
- Must have demonstrated scholastic achievement with a 2.5 or higher unweighted GPA on a 4.0 scale
- Must have demonstrated leadership, excellence of character, integrity and community involvement
- Must file FAFSA as part of the application

Interested in becoming nominated? <https://forms.gle/i2Gb8yfdm8GcHKfx6>

## **TheDream.US Scholarship Program**

TheDream.US offers a scholarship that is available to undocumented, TPS, and DACA students that arrived in the US before age 16 and before November 2018 that wish to apply to and attend Wingate. National Scholarships

deadline: [February 28, 2025: Apply here](#)





# Optimist International- Deadline 2/10

## OPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL YOUTH CONTESTS 2024-2025

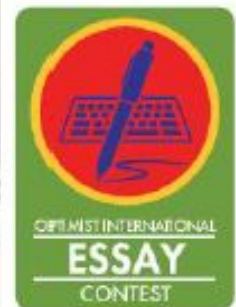
The Weddington Optimist Club has two scholarship opportunities for middle or high school students. Club level prizes are **\$250** for 1<sup>st</sup> place, **\$150** for 2<sup>nd</sup> place, **\$100** for 3<sup>rd</sup> place. District winners will win a **\$2500** college scholarship!

### ESSAY CONTEST

The Essay Contest is sponsored by Optimist International to give young people the opportunity to write about their own opinions regarding the world in which they live.

The approach can encompass a young person's personal experience, the experience of their country or a more historical perspective. In addition to developing skills for written expression, participants also have the opportunity to win a college scholarship!

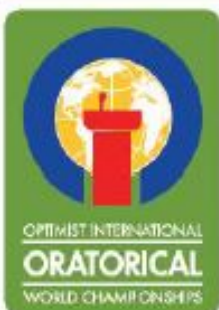
One District Scholarship of \$2,500



To enter, write an essay on the topic:

***"How Optimism Has Paved My Road To Success"***

Your paper should be 700-800 words in length. Essays must be submitted no later than **Feb 10, 2025**. For more information and complete rules, contact: Steve Jarrell: [steve@jarrellhomes.com](mailto:steve@jarrellhomes.com) or text: 704-774-7170



### ORATORICAL CONTEST

Beginning in 1928, the Oratorical Contest has become the longest-running program of Optimist International. The contest is designed for young people to gain experience in public speaking and provide them with an opportunity to compete for multiple college scholarships with a pre-assigned topic.

District Scholarships:

First Place: \$2,500 • Second Place: \$1,500 • Third Place: \$1,000  
with a chance to win up to **\$22,500** at the World Championships level

To enter, prepare a speech on the topic:

***"How Optimism Has Guided Me Through Trying Times"***

Your speech should be 4-5 minutes in length. The in-person contest will be in **late March-2025**.....details to follow. For more information and complete rules, contact: Greg Babineau: [gregbabineau@gmail.com](mailto:gregbabineau@gmail.com) or text: 908-442-6587



# ACT Practice Tests and Prep

**UCPS**  
UNION COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

## Free ACT Practice Tests and Prep

*Open to all UCPS high school students*

**Pretest and Posttest in person**  
**Online content in-between**

**PRETEST:**

February, 15 8 AM- 12 PM

**POSTTEST:**

March 1, 8 AM - 12 PM

In person tests held at:  
Porter Ridge High School  
2839 Ridge Rd,  
Indian Trail, NC 28079

The registration form is set for only UCPS students to be able to complete it! Parents must ask their student to register themselves.

# ACT®

**Register by February 12:**

<https://bit.ly/ACTtestPREP>



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# ACT®

**Inscríbete antes del 12 de febrero:**

<https://bit.ly/ACTtestPREP>







# Union Power Cooperative College Scholarship

## High School Seniors!

Apply today for a chance to receive a \$1,000 College Scholarship!



Two ways to apply :

- Visit [union-power.com/collegescholarships](http://union-power.com/collegescholarships)
- Scan the QR code

## APPLY BY MARCH 1

**To apply for the Union Power College Scholarship, the applicant must:**

1. Be a child of a Union Power Cooperative member or live in a home served by Union Power Cooperative.
2. Be a high school senior in the current graduating class.
3. Attend a North Carolina-accredited college or university.
4. Meet the criteria of 40% need, 30% academic achievement, and 30% extracurricular activities in school, civic, and community functions.





## College Admission Workshop- March 8



# SACAC

Southern Association  
for College Admission Counseling

*in partnership with*

# QUEENS UNIVERSITY

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CHARLOTTE

*invites you to a*

## COLLEGE ADMISSION WORKSHOP

A free, interactive, and informative college planning workshop designed for high school students and their families. You'll hear from college admission professionals about how to conduct a college search, receive information about the SAT and ACT, and gain knowledge of the financial aid process.

QUEENS UNIVERSITY

CLAUDIA BELK ROOM IN THE LEVINE CENTER

2207 WELLESLEY AVE. CHARLOTTE, NC 28274

MARCH 8, 2025

1:00PM-4:00PM



Registration is required for this event

QUESTIONS? EMAIL [HALEY.CRIPPS@CHARLOTTELATIN.ORG](mailto:HALEY.CRIPPS@CHARLOTTELATIN.ORG)



# Project Uplift- Deadline March 14

## Experience CAROLINA

with the Carolina Higher Education Opportunity Programs at UNC-Chapel Hill

Have you ever wondered what a typical day on campus is like? Project Uplift and Uplift PLUS offer an opportunity to experience campus life at UNC-Chapel Hill. Led by current UNC students, we provide a warm and inviting space for you to experience Carolina.



### PROJECT UPLIFT

**2025 Dates : May 31, June 7, and 14**

Project Uplift is an one-day summer enrichment and college access program that provides students with exposure to life at Carolina



Enjoy a one-day immersive Carolina experience.

Engage in an essay writing workshop.

Get the inside scoop from current Tar Heels on what it's like to be a Carolina student!

Learn about admissions, scholarships and student aid.



### UPLIFT PLUS

**2025 Dates : July 6-19**

Uplift PLUS is an intensive, 2-week on-campus program, providing an immersive and engaging experience to prepare the next generation of leaders.



Participate in academic, social, cultural and experiential learning activities.

Complete an essay writing course in which you draft your college admissions essay.

Receive one-on-one mentoring from current Carolina students.

Gain exposure to campus resources and various schools and units at UNC-Chapel Hill.

### HOW DO I APPLY?

1. Apply online at [go.unc.edu/ProjectUpliftandUpliftPLUS](https://go.unc.edu/ProjectUpliftandUpliftPLUS). Please indicate on your application if you would like to be considered for Uplift PLUS.
2. Upload a PDF copy of your unofficial high school transcript.

### DEADLINES

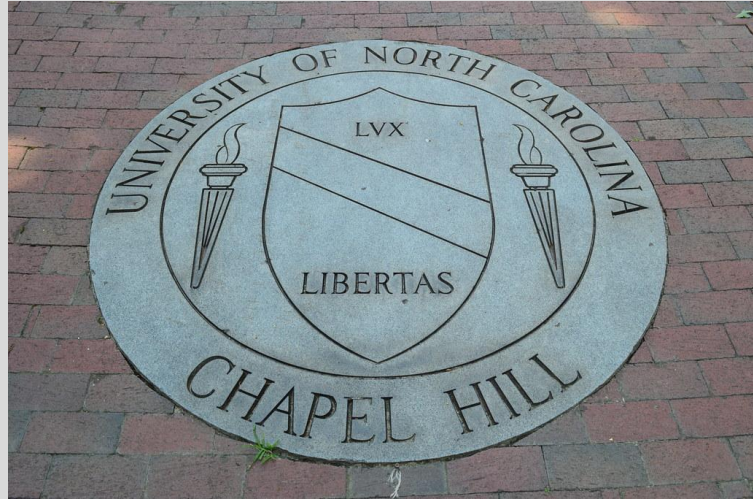
We encourage you to start your application early!

Application Opens: January 15, 2025  
Application Deadline: March 14, 2025  
Decision Notification: April 2025

LEARN MORE AT [GO.UNC.EDU/PROJECTUPLIFTANDUPLIFTPLUS](https://go.unc.edu/projectupliftandupliftplus)



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Carolina Higher Education Opportunity Programs



## Descubre CAROLINA

con las Programas de Oportunidades de Educativas de Carolina en UNC-Chapel Hill

¿Alguna vez te has preguntado cómo es un día típico en el campus? Project Uplift y Uplift PLUS ofrecen la oportunidad de experimentar la vida en el campus de UNC-Chapel Hill. Dirigidos por estudiantes actuales de UNC, estos programas brindan un espacio acogedor para que experimentes Carolina.



### PROJECT UPLIFT

**Fechas para 2025: Mayo 31, Junio 7 and 14**

Project Uplift es un programa de enriquecimiento que se enfoca en el acceso a la universidad. El programa brinda a los estudiantes exposición a la vida en Carolina



Disfruta de una experiencia inmersiva de un día en Carolina.

Participa en un taller de escritura de ensayos.

Descubre cómo es ser estudiante en Carolina directamente de estudiantes actuales.

Aprende sobre admisiones, becas y ayuda financiera para estudiantes.



### UPLIFT PLUS

**Fechas para 2025: Julio 6-19**

Uplift PLUS es un programa residencial de dos semanas que brinda una experiencia inmersiva para preparar a la próxima generación de líderes.



Participa en actividades de aprendizaje académico, social, cultural y experiencial.

Toma un curso de escritura para escribir tu ensayo para admisión a la universidad.

Recibe orientación y consejos personalizados de estudiantes actuales de Carolina.

Aprende sobre los recursos del campus y las diferentes escuelas y unidades en UNC-Chapel Hill.

### ¿CÓMO APLICAR?

1. Aplica en línea en [go.unc.edu/ProjectUpliftandUpliftPLUS](https://go.unc.edu/ProjectUpliftandUpliftPLUS), indica en tu formulario si quieres ser considerado para Uplift PLUS.
2. Sube una copia PDF de tus calificaciones de la escuela secundaria.

### FECHA LÍMITE

¡Recomendamos que comiences tu aplicación temprano!  
Aplicación se Abre: Enero 15, 2024  
Aplicación se Cierra: Marzo 14, 2024  
Decisiones serán Anunciadas: Abril 2024

APRENDE MÁS EN [GO.UNC.EDU/PROJECTUPLIFTANDUPLIFTPLUS](https://go.unc.edu/projectupliftandupliftplus)



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# Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Scholarships

**ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA SORORITY, INCORPORATED®**

*Alpha Alpha Chi Omega*

**2025- 2026 SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE**

[Click here to download application](#)

OR

Scan here for application



[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeNLYi0gzU5uuYL\\_Vt50b5KCJSgYW25s2VogWZtiyMmuS7Nfg/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeNLYi0gzU5uuYL_Vt50b5KCJSgYW25s2VogWZtiyMmuS7Nfg/viewform)

**Scholarship Value: \$2,000**

**Application Window:**

**January 15 - March 15, 2025**

**Eligibility Requirements:**

- Possess minimum G.P.A 2.5 or higher [non-weighted] or minimum G.P.A 3.5 or higher [weighted]
- Attending an accredited 4 year university/college in Fall 2025
- Graduating High School Senior residing and attending school in Anson or Union County, NC



**Have a question? Email us at**  
**aka@alphaalphachiomega.org**



[www.alphaalphachiomega.org](http://www.alphaalphachiomega.org)





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**Pretest and Posttest in person**  
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**PRETEST:**

March 26, 8 AM - 12 PM

**POSTTEST:**

April 12, 8 AM - 12 PM

In person tests held at:  
Sun Valley High School  
5211 Old Charlotte Highway  
Monroe, NC 28110

The registration form is set for only UCPS students to be able to complete it! Parents must ask their student to register themselves.

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# SAT®

**Register by March 26:**

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**ALBERT**

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**ALBERT**



**IG Contest!! Deadline March 31st**

**UCPS**  
UNION COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

**College Readiness** ●●●



**Create an Instagram post or reel that encourages the Class of 2025 to complete the FAFSA!**

5 winners will receive a

**\$100 GIFT CARD**

**INSTAGRAM  
CONTEST** 

### ***The Details***

Your post/reel should

- Encourage seniors to complete the FAFSA.
- Be creative, yet appropriate!
- Appeal to teenagers.
- Be produced solely by students in grades 9-12 currently enrolled and attending a high school in UCPS.
- Be created safely and not put anyone in danger.
- Should remain respectful of the differences among individuals and peoples, including race and ethnicity, sex, gender identity, political viewpoints, sexual orientation, special health needs, age, belief system, country of origin, and socio-economic status.
- Not contain nudity of any kind or provocative sexual content.
- Not contain profanity or other inappropriate language.



Submit your entry by March 31st

<https://forms.gle/TAmAVajGvTfngYMA9>

**FAFSA STRONG**

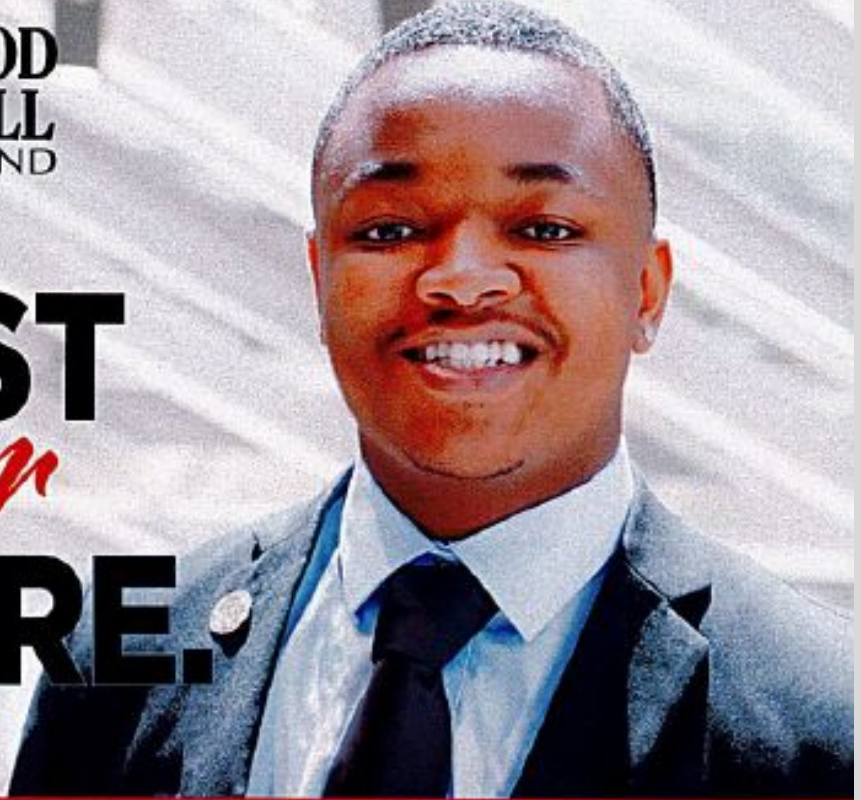




Thurgood Marshall College Fund- Closes 4/25



# INVEST in *Your* FUTURE.



Thurgood Marshall College Fund has awarded more than \$500 million in scholarships and career readiness programs. TMCF offers both merit-based and need-based awards to ease the financial strain for students at TMCF member schools and other eligible accredited institutions.

**YOUR FUTURE STARTS HERE**  
Apply for open scholarships.



**TMCF.ORG**





# 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](https://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](https://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](https://NCCollegeConnect.org).





## Career and College Promise Information



# MEET WITH YOUR SPCC CAREER COACH

**MS. STURDIVANT**

**MONDAYS AND THURSDAYS  
IN  
LIBRARY**

**EMAIL NOW TO MAKE AN  
APPOINTMENT:**

**[CSTURDIVANT@SPCC.EDU](mailto:CSTURDIVANT@SPCC.EDU)**



# 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.

- 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](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](#)

(includes attendance and dress code information)

[Parents' Bill of Rights](#)

[Edulog](#) for Bus Transportation Zone

[Parking Pass Info](#)

- Student drivers: Students whose cars are on campus after the school day need to be mindful that they may need to move their cars - particularly if they part around the baseball field. This is to avoid damage caused by fly balls.

[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