Warrior Weekly

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IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

Monday, February 7th - Friday, February 11th - School Counselor Appreciation Week

Tuesday, February 8th - Second semester meet the teacher night (see below for more information)

Monday, February 14th - Friday, February 18th - School Bus Driver Appreciation Week

Wednesday, February 9th - Early Release Day

FEBRUARY IS BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Weddington High School is excited to be celebrating Black History Month during the month of February. We look forward to continuing to celebrate the ways in which African Americans have made a tremendous impact on history and in our society. During the month of February, we will be bringing exciting opportunities for students to engage in learning and educating Warrior Nation in the celebration of African American history, contributions, and achievements. Students are encouraged to stay tuned to morning announcements and social media announcements to stay up to date on activities during the month and ways they can get involved!

2ND SEMESTER MEET THE TEACHER NIGHT

This year's curriculum night will be held on **Tuesday**, **February 8th**, at 6:00 pm. All parents are asked to report directly to your child's first period class. The event will begin promptly at 6:00pm with first period teachers showing a virtual message from Dr. Kraftson and the WHS PTSO. After the message from Dr. Kraftson and the PTSO, parents will then follow their child's schedule beginning with first period for a 10 minute presentation from the teacher. This will be an opportunity for teachers to provide an overview of their course content and class expectations. Please note that the teachers will not be available for parent/teacher conferences during this event. PARENTS...please be sure to take a picture of your child's schedule on your phone, and bring it to this event so that you are able to navigate his/her schedule.

WHS PTSO FUNDRAISER

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Please join and/or contribute a donation at www.whsptso.com

WHS CLASS JEWELRY

Class jewelry can be ordered online using the links below or in-person on Thursday, March 3rd during lunches





DIGITAL CATALOG

View all jewelry items in our digital catalog.

TAKE A LOOK AT WHAT'S AVAILABLE TO YOU TO TELL YOUR STORY





CONVENIENT PAYMENTS

Order your jewelry with a \$100 deposit, or use the J-pay plan and make interest-free payments on the balance.

Receive your ring when paid in full.



THE CLASS BAND

Check out our newest and most popular style, the Class Band!



CLASS RING SIZER

Check your class jewelry packet for a ring sizer, or visit our digital ring sizer by clicking here.

OUESTIONS? NEED HELP WITH AN ORDER? CONTACT RUSS HONRINE AT 1-800-582-6376

ARRIVAL AND DISMISSAL REMINDERS

As we begin the second semester, we want to share a few reminders with arrival and dismissal. We continue to encourage students and parents to allow extra time to get to school in the morning to ensure they are on time. We kindly ask that students are not dropped off or picked up in the student parking lot or in the bus lot. Only students with a valid parking pass will be permitted to park in the student parking lot.

Students are not to park in the church parking lot across from the school or on the streets in surrounding neighborhoods. All student drop-offs in the morning and pick-ups at dismissal are to be done in the car rider line. We also ask that all cars pull all the way down in the car rider line as directed by staff. This allows more students to access their rides at one time, thereby speeding up the pick-up process.

IMPORTANT COUNSELING DEPARTMENT EVENT



WHS Counseling Dpt. Virtual Workshops

The WHS counseling department will be offering virtual workshops to learn more about academic pathways and the college application process.

For date's and registration information, please see the counseling section of this newsletter below.

MARCHING BAND INTEREST MEETING

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Are you interested in joining marching band for the 2022 season? How about a trip to Hawaii?? Come to the marching band recruitment night on February 9th at 6pm. Pizza will be provided on a first come first served basis. No experience is necessary!



2022 JUNIOR-SENIOR PROM SAVE THE DATE



WHS Junior & Senior Prom

Sat., May 7th, 2022 8 pm - 12 pm The Ritz-Carlton

Save the Date

COUNSELING DEPARTMENT

Mark your calendar! - The WHS counseling department will be offering virtual workshops to learn more about academic pathways and the college application process. To sign up for your grade level's virtual workshop, please use the preregistration link which can be accessed <u>HERE</u>.

Junior Workshop, January 25 - 6:30 Sophomore Workshop, February 22 - 6:30 (NEW DATE) Freshman Workshop, March 9 - 6:30 Rising 9th Workshop, March 23 - 6:30

Midyear Transcript / Midyear Report Request

Not all colleges/universities require a midyear transcript/midyear report. Check your email, review admissions pages, and login to your college portals to identify if this documentation is required. Complete the Midyear Transcript/Midyear Report Request Form for those schools requesting or requiring a midyear transcript/midyear report.

Once Semester 1 exams have concluded and grades are finalized, the District will load final Semester 1 transcripts. This process could take up to 3 days. Please allow 2 weeks for transcripts to be submitted.

Only midyear transcripts requested via this document will be sent to colleges/universities. Email/voicemail requests will not be processed. This form can also be found on the School Counseling webpage. Check your SCOIR account for updates.

College, Career, and 2022-2023 Course Selections

College, Career, and 2022-2023 Course Selections meetings began Wednesday, December 1st and will continue through April. For specific information, please see the School Counseling webpage, https://www.ucps.k12.nc.us/Domain/889

RESOURCES & OPPORTUNITIES FROM THE UCPS COLLEGE READINESS DEPARTMENT

ACT Blitz - offered in person on February 12, 2022 at Monroe High School from 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM. UCPS and Huntington Learning Center will share tips and strategies for success on the ACT. <u>Click here</u> for a flyer with additional information.

ACT Prep Camp - UCPS will be holding a hybrid (part in-person and part virtual) ACT prep camp during January and February. There is no cost for this camp, but participants who are accepted must commit to attending all in-person and virtual sessions.

Each school will be allotted an equal number of seats for the camp. Unused seats will be distributed equally. The camp begins with an in-person full-length practice ACT exam on January 29th followed by 4 weeks of virtual sessions covering each of the 4 sections of the ACT. Instruction will be provided by Huntington Learning Center. Supplemental activities aligned to the ACT subjects will be provided by Albert. The camp will conclude with a second in-person full-length practice ACT exam on February 26th. Click here for a flyer with additional information.

ACT Mock Exams on Albert - Juniors and seniors have access to free practice exams on Albert. Once

score. Click here for a flyer with additional information.

College Recruiting for Athletes - This webinar on February 17, 2022 will help parents whose children are interested in playing college sports understand the recruiting process. It is presented in partnership with Next College Student Athlete (NCSA). Registration is now open. <u>Click here</u> for a flyer with additional information.

ATHLETIC INFORMATION



Athletic Department Update

Dear Community Members,

As we progress through the 2021-2022 athletic season, I would like to take this opportunity and reflect upon the many successes of our teams. It has been a great start to the year for our student-athletes and the future looks extremely promising!

With that said, I am contacting you to ask for your help. Our Athletic Booster Club is an integral part of our school community and serves as the fundraising arm of our athletic department. The current board members have done an outstanding job this year, making it one of the most successful years in school history. Unfortunately, some board and committee members will be leaving us as their children graduate from Weddington High School. As such, we are seeking interested individuals to assist in the following areas:

Immediate Openings:

Committee Chair - Fundraising

Committee Chair - Hospitality

Committee Chair - Sponsorship

Committee Chair - Concessions

If you, or anyone you know, is interested in serving the Athletic Booster Club, please reach out to WHSABC President Laurie Lewis (whsabcpresident@gmail.com) or myself. We would be more than happy to discuss the roles and requirements of each of the positions available for the next school year. As always, I appreciate your continued support of the Weddington Athletic Department and if I can ever be of any assistance, please let me know. We could not do it without you!

For up to date athletic information, please visit: https://www.ucpsathletics.com/weddington To purchase game tickets, please visit: https://www.ucpsathletics.com/weddingtontickets To view game schedules: https://www.ucpsathletics.com/weddingtonschedules

Questions about Athletics? Please contact our Athletic Director, Mr. Mike Hart, via email michael.hart@ucps.k12.nc.us or by calling the school.

<u>Coaches Directory</u> <u>Eligibility Website</u>

Can't Attend Live? Watch it Live Instead!

Click <u>here</u> to learn more about our live stream partnership with the NFHS Network! Volleyball, wrestling, basketball, football, soccer and lacrosse will all be live streamed!

WEDDINGTON HIGH SCHOOL PTSO

One last week to join together and become a part of your PTSO, and/or make a contribution! We've gotten a tiny bit closer to our **\$5,000** goal. If you have joined for \$25.00 and would like to continue to donate in our Invest in Excellence program, we are excited to invite you to do so!:)

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New Warrior Families: please reach out if you have any questions or want to connect with other Warrior families. We are excited you are here!

January Happenings:

1/28 Spring Semester Teacher Mini-Grant applications due 1/28 Staff Breakfast

Senior Breakfasts will begin again in February

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