

Warrior Weekly

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Student Centered; Future Focused!





NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28TH



There will be no school for students Monday, September 28th due to the teacher workday.

PLAN B UPDATE: 2 DAYS PER WEEK

The Board of Education voted to move forward with the plan to increase face-to-face instruction to two days per week. This plan will be effective beginning next Tuesday, September 29th.

Under the new plan, students that currently attend on Monday or Tuesday will be combined to attend Monday and Tuesday. Students that currently attend on Wednesday or Thursday will be combined to attend Wednesday and Thursday. Plan D students will remain on Plan D, or fully remote. Friday will continue to be a remote learning day for all students.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Cohort 1 (A-K)	Face-to-Face	Face-to-Face	Remote Learning	Remote Learning	Remote Learning
Cohort 2 (L-Z)	Remote Learning	Remote Learning	Face-to-Face	Face-to-Face	Remote Learning

While we will be increasing our number of students on campus, the health and safety of all students and staff members will continue to be our primary focus. All students will continue to be required to wear masks and follow social distancing.

In cases where student capacity may exceed classroom capacity with social distancing, we will use alternative classroom settings and/or create a schedule with students spending a portion of time in the classroom with the teacher and a portion of time for that class in another supervised space to participate remotely and to complete assignments. While we are planning based on 100% attendance for Plan B, we will make necessary adjustments based on the actual attendance each day. This plan will be fluid as we continue to monitor student attendance over the next several weeks.

We will continue to follow the regular COVID-19 screening routine upon arrival for all car riders, bus riders and student drivers. Lines will be longer, so we ask for patience as we accommodate double the amount of students each morning.

We truly appreciate your patience and understanding as we work through this next portion of the plan to increase the number of students on campus each day. If you have any questions about these changes, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

PANORAMA STUDENT SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEARNING (SEL) SURVEY

Union County Public Schools values the feedback of our students, parents and staff. In an effort to continue high quality, rigorous learning experiences and social-emotional support for students, the school district has partnered with Panorama Education to administer a survey to 3rd – 12th graders.

The survey window is Sept. 28 – Oct. 8 and will take approximately 20 minutes to complete. The link will be sent via Canvas and students will need their Student ID for access. Panorama safeguards student privacy and all responses will be kept confidential.

The survey results will be used to improve support and resources at the school and district level.

You may also access the survey questions via [this link](#). Parents will have the opportunity to view the survey questions from Sept. 17 – 26. If you would like your child to opt out of taking the survey, please complete the opt-out letter that is attached to this email and return it to your child's teacher.

If you have questions, please contact tracey.carney@ucps.k12.nc.us or 704-296-6392 or Shaina Budhwani at sbud@panoramaed.com.

IMPORTANT REMINDER: BACK TO SCHOOL DOCUMENTS

Each year, all students are required to complete a variety of back to school documents. In an effort to streamline this process and make it more convenient for students and parents, we have made all forms available electronically through [FamilyID](#). This allows the students and parents to complete the required paperwork without having to return the forms to the school. The original due date for completing these required forms was Friday, September 18th but was extended to Friday, September 25th. Please take a moment to complete these required forms as soon as possible. Information about accessing these forms can be found by clicking [HERE](#).

For questions about FamilyID or the back to school documents, please email Mike Hart at michael.hart@ucps.k12.nc.us.

FREE WI-FI AND INTERNET ACCESS FOR STUDENTS

The UCPS transportation and technology departments teamed up to provide free WI-FI and Internet access for students. This service begins today, September 25th, with buses parked at four locations.



FREE WI-FI AND INTERNET ACCESS FOR UCPS STUDENTS

ABOUT

UCPS buses will serve as hotspots to provide free Wi-Fi and Internet access for students. Buses will be parked at the following locations.

BUS LOCATIONS

- Riverside Community
- Suburban Estates Community
- Creekridge Community
- Icemorlee Apartments

DATES AND TIMES

Monday – Thursday
9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

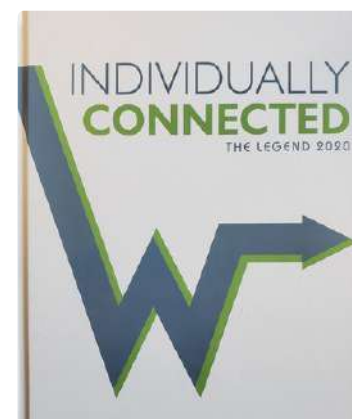
Friday
7:30 a.m. – 2 p.m.



YEARBOOK INFORMATION

Purchase a Yearbook

Yearbooks are now on sale for \$75 at jostens.com. Buy now and get free personalization. If you have any questions please email Mrs. Waldrup at anna.waldrup@ucps.k12.nc.us.



Senior Recognition Ads

Senior Parents - it is time to purchase Senior Recognition Ads. Go to jostensadservice.com to purchase and design your ad. See the attached pricing list for information. If you have any questions please email Mrs. Waldrup at anna.waldrup@ucps.k12.nc.us



Make the Weddington High School yearbook even more special.

Recognize your student milestones and successes with a yearbook ad.

3 EASY
PAYMENTS*

Order by	Oct. 12th	Nov. 9th	Dec. 14th
Full Page	\$300	\$350	\$400
1/2 Page	\$200	\$225	\$275
1/4 Page	\$160	\$175	\$200

COUNSELING DEPARTMENT



WHS Counselor Showcase - Mrs. Jackie Washington

Counselor: Mrs. Jackie Washington

11th and 12th grade counselor last names H-Q

Hometown: Lancaster, SC but I have lived in Charlotte for almost 20 years

Education: Bachelor of Psychology University of South Carolina, Master in Education Winthrop University

Favorite Activity in Weddington: PROM Fashion Show and Prom- I am proud to say that I brought the PROM fashion show back from the beginning of time. I wanted to offer our students an opportunity to walk the warrior stage to dress up and have a great time before

prom. I am so grateful because this past year our students did not have a prom but our seniors did get a chance to have fun at prom fashion show. I also LOVE going to prom with my two dancing partners and prom committee members Mrs. Cook and Mrs. Waldrup. We make an awesome team putting on prom and we ALWAYS hit the dance floor to our anthem "Ice Ice Baby."

Favorite Weddington Restaurant: Anything Sushi!

Favorite Weddington Tradition: Graduation Tunnel- After graduation commencement all staff members form a tunnel and we SCREAM with warrior pride for our graduates as they all walk through the tunnel before picking up their diploma. Students love to see us all cheering them on to the finish line!

Best Thing about Weddington: School spirit- From performing arts to sports the school and community support is AMAZING! The Green Machine section is a legend within itself and there is no better place I like to sit at football games. I also love the friendships I have made at Warrior Nation with my colleagues as they are truly my family. My warrior colleagues have walked major milestones in my life with me and I am so grateful! We have laughed, cried and walked through a Pandemic together and we are Warrior Strong!


Best piece of advice for prospective students: "Comparison is the thief of joy"- Theodore Roosevelt. It's very easy to compare yourself being a member of such a high achieving school such as Warrior Nation but it's important that you remember that you are uniquely gifted with qualities that make you amazing! Every second you waste comparing you are robbing yourself of joy. Know your strengths and highlight those for the world to see!

Random/fun fact about you: I visit the Weddington Chick-Fil-A daily to purchase my sweet tea- I LOVE sweet tea and it is definitely my weakness!

September is Suicide Prevention Month: Attached below is a document with some important information regarding how to recognize mental health concerns in kids and teens.



5 FACT SHEET Know the Signs - Recognizing Mental Health Concerns in Kids...pdf

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519.1 KB

Senior Conferences are in full swing!

Email your counselor today to set up an apt.

mallika.rajan@ucps.k12.nc.us

jackie.washington@ucps.k12.nc.us

mary.jordan@ucps.k12.nc.us

Freshman Conferences will begin at the start of Q2! Counselors are in the process of setting up appointments. Students please check your email for a Teams invite from Mr. Smith and/or Ms. Wiles.

October 1 – October 30 Lunchtime Live

College application/essay writing sessions with your WHS School Counselors!

Monday - Thursday during lunches!

	1st Lunch 11:22 - 11:49	2nd Lunch 11:52 - 12:19	3rd Lunch 12:22 - 12:49	4th Lunch 12:52 - 1:22
Live Zoom Session	Mondays with Ms. Washington	Tuesdays with Ms. Wiles	Wednesdays with Ms. Rajan	Thursdays with Mr. Smith
Lunch in the Cafeteria	Ms. Rajan Dr. Jordan	Mr. Smith Dr. Jordan	Ms. Wiles Dr. Jordan	Ms. Washington Dr. Jordan

September 21st – December 3, during all lunches, **Virtual College Visits**

Virtual college visits will be hosted via Zoom during each lunch. Sessions will be open to all students however priority registration will be given to upperclassmen. Colleges visit schedule, sign-up, and participation links can be found in Scoir.

October 13, 6:pm **North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics**

Ms. Gaddy will conduct a NCSSM presentation on 10/13 @ 6:00PM for parents and students with interest. To sign up, please email Mr. Smith (quincy.smith@ucps.k12.nc.us). The link for the virtual presentation will be sent out the day of prior to noon o'clock.

October 29th, 8:am – 4:pm **WHS Fall Virtual College Fair**

PowerSchool <https://www.ucps.k12.nc.us/Domain/11>

Union County Public Schools is pleased to provide you with access to current grades and attendance information for your student(s) in grades K through 12 via the Internet. Both you and your student will have access to this information through our PowerSchool Portal. Please see PowerSchool related attachments below.

Canvas <https://www.ucps.k12.nc.us/Page/6519>

Please reference Quick Links on the WHS website to locate the "Canvas Observer Information" sheet for step by step instructions and videos specific to setting up an account. Please see Canvas related attachments below.

Microsoft Teams Please see Microsoft Teams attachments below.

Scoir <https://www.ucps.k12.nc.us/Page/7558>

Please reference the Scoir folder in the School Counseling Canvas page for a menu of detailed information and videos around setting up an account, downloading the app., viewing the calendar, etc.

PC19/Letter Grade - grade change form

Please reference Quick Links on the WHS website to locate the "Spring 2020 Spring Semester Grade Change Form" if a grade different than the one finalized in Power School is preferred. Please note the final day to process this for is Monday, October 12, 2020 at 8:00am.

Important Testing Information - Please watch the video below from our Testing Coordinator, Ms. Jackie Washington.

Message from our Testing Coordinator, Mrs. Washington



Canvas Observer Info 20-21.pdf



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Canvas Parent Readiness Checklist.pdf



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PowerSchool Mobile App for Students.pdf



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Parent Portal new account instructions.pdf



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ATHLETIC INFORMATION

We are excited to release our 2020-2021 athletic schedules on Wednesday, September 16th. Please visit www.ucpsathletics.com/weddington to view them! We are happy to provide workout experiences for those interested in participating in athletics this school year. We encourage you to reach out directly to your coach if you have any questions regarding the schedule. All athletes must submit their athletic registration through FamilyID and be approved prior to starting workouts. Under our Covid-19 update page, you will find the proposed schedule provided by the NCHSAA. More information will be released in the coming weeks.

[Coaches Directory](#)

[Eligibility Website](#)

[Covid-19 Update](#)

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

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DATES:

September (multiple dates): Senior Month sponsored by Counseling Dept.
Look for information from your PTSO, and join us at: www.whsptso.com;

- * any newsletter from the school;
- * follow us on FB @WHSPTSO or Instagram @whs_ptso
- * email us at w.d.h.s.ptso.nc@gmail.com

Remember to re-link your Harris Teeter, Publix, and Amazon Smiles account to WHS so you can be giving money back all year long while shopping for your family.



PTSO Membership - Invest in Excellence.pdf

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HEALTH AND SAFETY REMINDERS



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