



Warrior Weekly

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Student Centered, Future Focused!

Stay Connected

We invite you to stay connected with Weddington High School on **Facebook** (Weddington High School) or on **Twitter** (@WHSWarriors). We also encourage you to monitor your **Naviance** accounts for information on college and career planning. Daily announcements and information are shared, so please follow us so you do not miss any Weddington High School news! We also frequently update our website at <https://www.ucps.k12.nc.us/Domain/55>

Weekly School Calendar of Events

Date	Time	Event
Monday, January 27		
Tuesday, January 28		DISTRIBUTION OF REPORT CARDS
	3:00 PM	College App Lab
	3:45 PM	Home Track Meet vs. Five Other Schools
	4:00 PM	JV and V Basketball vs. Sun Valley (Home)
Wednesday, January 29	3:00 PM	College App Lab
	6:30 PM	Men's Tennis Interest Meeting
Thursday, January 30	6:00 PM	Wrestling vs. Sun Valley and Marvin Ridge (@ Marvin Ridge)
Friday, January 31	3:00 PM	Diving Regionals (Huntersville Aquatic Center)
	3:00 PM	Swimming Regionals (Mecklenburg Aquatic Center)
	4:00 PM	JV and V Basketball @ Catholic (Away)
	TBA	Track Meet-Mondo Invitational (@JDL)
Saturday, February 1	TBA	Wrestling Conference Championship (Home)

Student Accomplishments

Congratulations to WHS Warrior Trent Maton who was recently featured in a story by a local television news station in recognition and celebration of the way that he has overcome some significant adversity and challenges to be in a position to become an Eagle Scout. Way to go, Trent. We're proud of you!

Warrior Athletics Spring Tryouts

Attached to this Warrior Weekly email message is a document which provides detailed information regarding spring sports tryouts. If you have any questions which are not answered in the document, your contact person is WHS athletic director, Mr. Mike Hart (michael.hart@ucps.k12.nc.us).

Yearbook Orders

Please place yearbook orders no later than February 14. It's a sweet move to preserve the memories of this school year for your child. Order 24/7 @ <http://www.jostens.com>.

Senior Recognition Ads

The deadline for purchasing a senior recognition ad in the yearbook has been extended! **You can still purchase an ad to honor your senior child's achievements until January 27, 2020.** You can order and design your ad online at jostensadservice.com.

The School Counseling Summary

(News and Notes from the WHS School Counseling Department)

Student Schedule Change Request Opportunity #2

Students who meet one or more of the criteria noted below may submit the Schedule Change document (found on the WHS website, in the main office, in the School Counseling office) for Semester 2 schedule change consideration. Forms/requests will not be accepted after 1/28 @ 1:30 p.m. No forms will be accepted via email or fax. Please reference the UCPS Program of Studies for information specific to required course prerequisites.

1. Missing a graduation requirement
2. Hole in schedule
3. Would like to be placed in a less rigorous course (AP/H/CP)
4. Course needed for credit recovery
5. Did not earn credit for the prerequisite
6. Previously earned credit for the course
7. I am a Senior and I want to FLEX
8. I am already enrolled in SPCC and need to schedule my class **(NO NEW ENROLLMENT)**

Spring College Fair

Mark your calendar for the Spring College Fair, March 23, 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. This event will be open to grades 9-12. Parents are invited to attend. More information to come.

School Counselors and Responsibilities:

Mr. Chad Pauley - 9th grade counselor

- * 504 coordinator for 9th graders
- * Email: chadrick.pauley@ucps.k12.nc.us

Mr. Quincy Smith - 10th grade counselor

- * 504 coordinator for 10th graders
- * LEP contact
- * Email: quincy.smith@ucps.k12.nc.us

Ms. Mallika Rajan - 11th & 12th grade counselor - students A-G

- * 504 coordinator for 11th & 12th graders A-Q
- * Career and College Promise Lead
- * South Piedmont Community College Lead
- * Email: mallika.rajana@ucps.k12.nc.us

Mrs. Jackie Washington - 11th & 12th grade counselor - students H-Q

- * Testing Coordinator
- * Scholarship Coordinator
- * Email: jackie.washington@ucps.k12.nc.us

Dr. Mary Jordan - 11th & 12th grade counselor - students R-Z

- * Department Chair
- * 504 coordinator for 11th & 12th graders R-Z
- * Social/Emotional Coordinator
- * Email: mary.jordan@ucps.k12.nc.us

A message from our Testing Coordinator, Mrs. Jackie Washington...

Weddington School Counselors are excited to offer a PSAT/PreACT informational session on the evening of Tuesday, January 28th in the auditorium from 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Please plan to arrive early to receive a copy of your student's PSAT and/or PreACT scores.

All sophomores were required to take both tests back in October. Some freshmen and juniors also participated in the PSAT. On the evening of the 28th, we will host a guest speaker who will share helpful feedback on the vitality of test scores including what colleges are looking for, what your child's test score REALLY means, and overall helpful information on test scores.

The goal of the event will be to provide you all with the support and resources you need to match your child's test scores with college and career placement. PSAT and PreACT scores are great indicators as to how your child will perform on the SAT and ACT test. Our guest speaker is a professional with extensive test prep experience, and along with Mrs. Washington, they will both teach you how to dissect the test scores. Students and parents will also gain information on ways to increase scores on future tests.

If you are unable to attend, your child will be allowed to pick up his/her test scores in the school counseling office next Wednesday or thereafter, but he/she will not be allowed to pick up scores early due to program preparation. Parents and students are both encouraged to attend the event on Tuesday, but if students are unable to attend, we encourage parents to attend. Please contact Mrs. Washington with any questions.

PTSO NEWS



PTSO SCHOOL GOALS: At the beginning of the year, we requested a membership and Invest in Excellence donation. **Our goal is \$20,000.00.** We are roughly *\$9,000 short of our goal*. We sincerely appreciate the donations received to date. If we are able to raise \$20,000 then we, as a school community, are able to provide:

- Furniture and equipment to promote more collaborative classrooms
- Technology to enhance student engagement and supplement student learning
- Resources for our Transition to Adulthood classes
- ...and more!

The educational benefits of collaborative learning include:

- Producing higher group and individual achievement
- More advanced reasoning strategies and higher level thinking skills
- Improved oral communication
- Self-management and leadership skills.
- Learning to confidently present and defend ideas
- Increased confidence and sense of responsibility.
- More exposure to diverse perspectives.

You can donate online at www.whsptso.com. Thank you!

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Senior Events: Kelley Cobb

Site-Based Team Representative: Deborah Schneider and Smithesh Shah

Let our faculty and staff know what you think!



Union County Public Schools launched the new Influencer Awards Program, the new employee recognition program, to honor district employees who make an impact on the lives of others.

Anyone from any stakeholder group can nominate an employee for this award. Nominations will be ongoing. Each month, the committee will select two employees from those nominated to receive the "Influencer Award." Significant nominations may be carried from one month to the next. Nominations can be made at <https://ucpsinfluencers.com/>.

Winners will be recognized by the Board of Education during the regular monthly meeting. In addition, the award recipients will get to meet the person who nominated them for their contributions.

January Happenings:

Friday Staff Treats

Jan. 24th and January 31st

Coming soon in February:

Meet the Teacher and PTSO General Assembly meeting

Senior Breakfast

Coffee with Counselors

New Student Luncheon