

Good evening, Parkwood Wolf Pack families,

It's been a GREAT first week of school! It's so good to have our students back in school! Please read through the Wolf Pack Press every week. We'll keep some of the slides from week to week, and we'll place those farther toward the end so that the new content is at the beginning. Thank you so much for your patience with arrival and dismissal as the traffic appears to be getting a little better every day.

Looking forward to this 2023-2024 school year!

Go Wolf Pack!

# 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 9/4	Tuesday 9/5	Wednesday 9/6	Thursday 9/7	Friday 9/8	Saturday 9/9
No School	Volleyball @ Anson 5:00/6:00	Volleyball vs Queens Grant 5:00/6:00  Women's Tennis @ Sun Valley 4:00  Men's Soccer @ Forest Hills 7:00	Women's Golf vs Cox Mill/ Weddington 3:30  Women's Tennis vs Piedmont 4:00  JV Football vs Sun Valley 6:30	Varsity Football @ Sun Valley 7:00	No Events



## **Athletics**



Every student needs to purchase an All Sport Student Pass. Only \$40 for every single home game this year - all sports! (Playoff games excluded - and we plan to play in playoff games a lot this year :) <a href="https://parkwoodathleticzone.com/partner/28/event/4">https://parkwoodathleticzone.com/partner/28/event/4</a> 178/buy-tickets

Passcode = UCPS Student ID number



# Student parking



Hang tags for students who have been assigned parking will be available to pick up from Ms. Gibbs in the office.

Parking Pass Info



# Beginning of School Delays



Please be patient with school traffic at drop off and pick up times for the next few weeks. It tends to be very busy at the beginning of a new school year.

Bus transportation may also be delayed with pick up and drop off times for the next few weeks while the rosters change with new enrollments and the drivers learn their routes.



# **Wolf Pack Senior Night**



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Post Secondary Options for parents & students

September 13, 6:30-8:00pm New Gym

### CHOOSE 2 BREAK-OUT SESSIONS TO ATTEND

- College Information college options, applying, transcripts, etc
- Financial Aid types of aid & how to apply
- Career Information how to search for job opportunities, resume & soft skills
- Military branches, ASVAB & career opportunities



# PWHS Band Boosters BBQ



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<u>Place Your Pre-order before</u> <u>Sept. 10th.</u>



\$11 / Plate
Smoked BBQ Sandwich plate with
Beans, Cole Slaw, and Sauce



\$11 / Pound Smoked BBQ by the Pound.



Friday, September 29th

Pickup Options at PWHS: <u>Lunchtime</u> (11am - 2pm) or <u>Pre-Game Tailgate</u> (4pm) (PWHS vs Anson)

ink:https://pwhs-band-boosters.square.site/bbq-fundraiser
Provided by the Parkwood High School
Band Boosters



# **UCPS College Readiness**



### 2023-2024 UCPS College Readiness Series

For more info and to register visit <a href="https://bit.ly/collegereadysessions">https://bit.ly/collegereadysessions</a>

### **Live Events**

Scoir for Seniors - Aug.
Practice SAT - Sept./Oct.
ACT/SAT Blitz - Sept.

College Entrance Exams 101 - Oct.
Union County College Fair - Oct.
HS Programs Expo - Dec.
Paying for College - Dec.
Practice ACT - Jan./Feb.
ACT Blitz - Feb.

Getting Ready for College - Mar.
SAT Blitz - Apr.

Writing a College Essay - May

### **On-Demand Library**

Always available at the link above.

Scoir for Underclassmen
College Recruiting for Athletes
Choosing the Right Path in HS







# PWHS Counseling Department

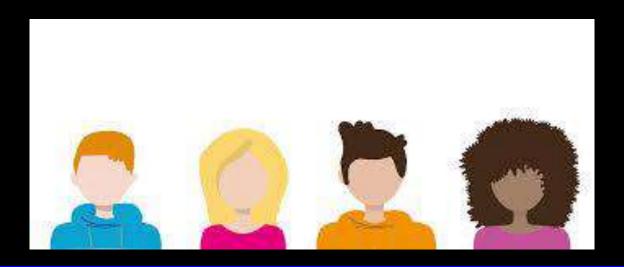
The focus of the PWHS Counseling Center is to provide students with support in their academic, career, and personal/social development. The counselors assist students with scheduling, course selection, career exploration, college and scholarship advising, coping with peer pressure and stress, developing time management skills and more. To make an appointment with your counselor complete the <a href="meeting request form">meeting request form</a>, 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-M)
- \* Mrs. Terri Onley 10th 12th (N-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. Thais Yeon Behavior Health Therapist
- \* Ms. Wendolyn Davis SPCC Career Coach





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Union County College Fair

- \*October 15 from 2-4 PM
- \*Located at CATA

(600 Brewer Dr. Monroe 28112)

- \*Representatives from over 100 colleges will answer questions and share information about their institution.
- \*Sponsored by the CACRAO



### Where can you find scholarships?

- \*Wolf Pack Scholarship Opportunities This list is put together by the counseling office and is updated regularly.
- \*UCPS Scholarship Information This list is put together by the College Readiness office.
- \*The colleges where you are applying
- \*Parents and your place of work
- \*Free scholarship search engines (<u>www.raise.me</u>, <u>www.fastweb.com</u>, <u>http://www.cfnc.org/paying/schol/info\_schol.jsp</u>, www.freecollegescholarships.net.

www.bestcolleges.com/financial-aid/education-scholarships/, www.finaid.org, www.studentawardsearch.com, https://www.unigo.com, https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/scholarship-search, www.scholarships.com)



# PWHS Counseling Department

### 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, 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 <a href="https://bit.ly/35jrLNu%C2%A0">https://bit.ly/35jrLNu%C2%A0</a> will show you how to add colleges, request transcripts and letters of recommendations from teachers.
- Transcripts will begin being sent by the counselors through SCOIR after the 10<sup>th</sup> day of school.



### PWHS PTSO

Welcome back Pack Family!

The PWHS PTSO is so excited for the 2023-2024 school year! The PTSO is the Parent Teacher Student Organization at Parkwood High School. Click here for our <u>August/September newsletter</u> that details upcoming events, volunteer opportunities and fundraisers.

Our **mission** is to support the education of our students by fostering relationships among the school, parents and teachers through community engagement and fundraising efforts.

Our **goal** is to work together with school administrators and teachers 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 Parkwood High School community spirit.

You can start to get involved now – help us help Parkwood High School! Join the PWHS PTSO by <u>purchasing a family membership for \$10</u> your membership helps fund PTSO sponsored student and teacher events throughout the year!

Like us on Facebook at <u>Parkwood HS PTSO</u> and on Instagram at <u>Parkwood PTSO</u> to stay up to date on all the latest events and information

We typically meet on the first Tuesday of every month at 7pm at the high school and these meetings are open to everyone; join us on Tuesday, 9/12 at 7pm in the Parkwood High Cafeteria.

Do you want to take a more active role in the PTSO? We have openings for Sponsorships/Fundraising and Events/Hospitality Committee Chairs. Grab your friend and be Co-Chairs! Partner with the executive board and an awesome group of volunteers to make the 2023-2024 school year the best ever!

If you have any questions about the PTSO or are interested in a Committee Chair role, please feel free to send us an email at <a href="mailto:parkwoodptso@gmail.com">parkwoodptso@gmail.com</a>.

Thank you for supporting the Parkwood High School PTSO! It's going to be a great year!

PWHS PTSO Executive Board

Kerri Lowery PWHS PTSO President

Kim Starnes PWHS PTSO Vice President

Brianne Tolani PWHS PTSO Treasurer

Adrienne Jaquith PWHS PTSO Secretary



### PWHS PTSO



For the 2023-2024 school year, your PWHS PTSO will be selling Paw Prints. Paw prints will be painted on the sidewalk to mark the path from the fence entrance of the stadium leading to the visitor side. Not only will you be leaving your mark on Parkwood, you'll be helping to guide the path for visitors to our school.

Paw prints can be ordered online for \$20 per paw or in person at any PTSO event throughout the school year.

https://tinyurl.com/48wxsebj

If you donate by 10/13, your name will be included on a banner to be hung when the walkway is complete.

For questions, email us at parkwoodptso@gmail.com







# 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 <u>melinda.rivers@ucps.k12.nc.us</u> 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**

Office Phone: 704-296-0154

### **PWHS & UCPS Information**

- Counseling Department
- PWHS CTE
- UCPS Calendar
- Media Center
- Transportation Bus App (New!)
- Volunteer Information
- Annual Parent Notification Process/Policy 5-08

### **Instructional Support**

- Student Technology Help Desk
- Technology Tutorials for Parents and Students
- EmpowerEd Parent Portal
  - Mobile Apps, Attendance and Grades, Canvas Access and Tutorials
  - Tutorial Video

### **Back to School Forms**

- Free and Reduced Lunch Application (If Applicable)
- Military Connected (If Applicable) \*
- Notice of Right to Withhold Consent (If Applicable) \*
- Request for Medical Information (Required) \*
- Authorization to Carry Medicine (If Applicable) \*

<sup>\*</sup> Indicates physical copy. Please print, complete and return to homeroom teacher, if applicable. Physical copies are available in front office, upon request.



# **Quick Links**

# PWHS Student Handbook

- Attendance Policy
- Student Dress Code

# **Edulog** for Bus Transportation Zone

# Parking Pass Info

## Yearbook Information

### 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