# Warrior Weekly

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## Student Centered; Future Focused!

**Weddington High School**

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# IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

**Tuesday, December 16th:** Band Concert (see below for more information)

**Wednesday, December 17th:** Talent Show (see below for more information)

**Monday, December 22nd - Friday, January 2nd -** School Closed for Winter Break

**Friday, January 9th - Thursday, January 15th:** Final Exams (see below for more information)

## FIRST SEMESTER FINAL EXAM INFORMATION

Students are required to take ALL EXAMS, including End of Course (EOC), CTE State Exams and Teacher Made exams, at school during exam week.

****The NC Department of Public Instruction permits a single re-administration of the EOC assessment for any student who scores as "Not Proficient" on the regular EOC administration. All students taking an EOC were given a permission form to be given the opportunity to retake the EOC if they score as "Not Proficient." Please complete the form and return to your child's teacher no later than Friday, December 12th.**

**Required EOC Courses**:
· NC Math 1
· NC Math 3
· English 2
· Biology

**Fall 2025 CTE Courses with State Exams**

- PLTW Principles of Engineering
- Interior Design
- Business Ethics & Law I Honors
- Food and Nutrition I
- Culinary Arts and Hospitality I Honors
- Health Science I Honors
- PLTW Intro to Engineering Design Honors
- Animal Science I Honors
- Fashion Merchandising Honors
- Business Essentials

**See below for the final exam schedule.**

**MORE INFORMATION REGARDING EXAM DAYS WILL BE SHARED CLOSER TO EXAM WEEK**

semester 1

# final exam schedule

| FRIDAY, Jan 9 | MON, Jan 12 | TUES, Jan 13 | WED, Jan 14 | THURS, Jan 15 |
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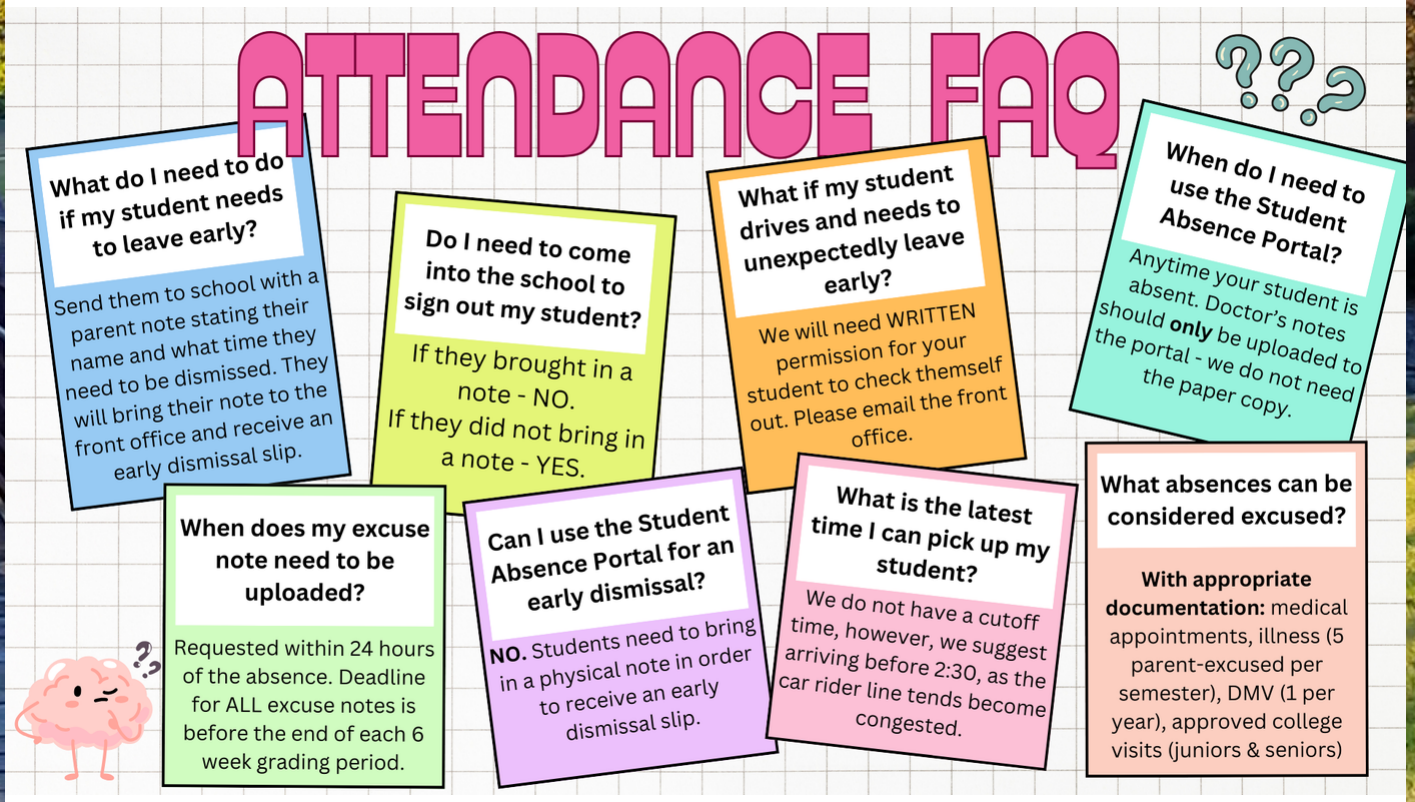
| 8:00 AM<br>• NC Math I<br>• NC Math I Honors<br>• NC Math 3<br>• NC Math 3 Honors<br>• PLTW Principles of Engineering<br>• Interior Design | **8:00 AM**<br>• Biology<br>• Biology Honors<br>• Business Ethics and Law I Honors<br>• Food and Nutrition I | 8:00 AM<br>• English II<br>• English II Honors<br>• Culinary Arts and Hospitality I Honors<br>• Health Science I Honors<br>• PLTW Intro to Engineering Design Honors | 8:00 AM<br>• Animal Science I Honors<br>• Business Essentials<br>• Fashion Merchandising Honors<br>• Retake Math I<br>• Retake Math III | 8:00 AM<br>• Remediation for English II<br>• Make Up EOCs |
| 1:00 PM<br>• All **FIRST BLOCK** teacher-made exams | 1:00 PM<br>• All **SECOND BLOCK** teacher-made exams | 1:00 PM<br>• All **THIRD BLOCK** teacher-made exams<br>• Remediation Sessions for Math I and Math III | 1:00 PM<br>• All **FOURTH BLOCK** teacher made exams<br>• Remediation Sessions for Biology | 1:00 PM<br>• Remediation for English II<br>• Make up teacher-made exams |

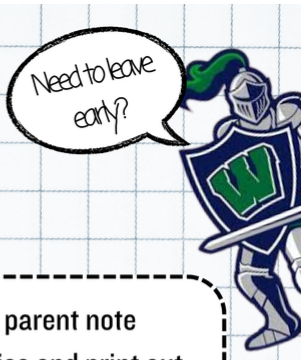
## ATTENDANCE




### STUDENT ABSENCE PORTAL

In the event your child is absent from school due to illness/injury, please upload your documentation to the Student Absence Portal. The proper documentation MUST be provided in order to excuse the absence. A phone call to the school, stating your student is absent, is not necessary. Remember, parent notes will only be accepted during the current 6-week grading period, of the absent day.

# EARLY DISMISSALS




1. Students leaving early MUST bring a parent note
2. Students turn note in to the front office and print out an early dismissal slip
3. Students will present their early dismissal slip to their teacher at the dismissal time
4. Students without dismissal slips will need to have a parent enter the school and check them out

# DOCTOR NOTES

Absences need to be entered into the Student Absence Portal. All doctor/excuse notes need to be uploaded in order to excuse an absence.

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## TOY DRIVE

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# TOY DRIVE

COLLECTION DATES: December 1 - December 5

DROP-OFF LOCATION: Front Office

CLUB INCENTIVES: 1 item = 3 service hours

$25 donation = 1 service hour

$50 donation = 2 service hours

$75 donation = 3 service hours

$100 donation = 4 service hours

BRING IN A NEW, UNWRAPPED TOY/ITEM FOR YOUTH AGES 13-18

SCAN HERE FOR MONETARY DONATION

## BAND FUNDRAISER

## UNION COUNTY FOOD RESOURCES

PDF UC Food Resources.pdf Download 64.2 KB

## SENIOR SPEAKER SERIES

WHS is starting a Senior Speaker Series, and we need your help! We are looking for parent/community member volunteers to come in during advisory week to speak to seniors on the topics listed below. If you are interested in volunteering, please reach out to Mrs. Bryant at laura.bryant@ucps.k12.nc.us

## WINTER BAND CONCERT

## TALENT SHOW!

## CLASS OF 2026

Weddington High School's Class of 2026 Commencement will be held on Monday, June 8th at 8:00am at Warrior Stadium. Additional details regarding graduation, including the process for claiming tickets, will be shared with seniors and their parents in late April.

# VISITORS/DROP OFFS

All visitors to the school must enter through the front doors of the school using the video doorbell system. All visitors must check in at the main office during the hours of 7:30 am and 4:00 pm, which are the main office hours on days that school is in session.

**Forgotten Items/Drop Offs/Deliveries**:

- items can be placed on the drop-off cart located outside the front doors
- items will be brought inside before the end of each block and placed on the table in the foyer
- please notify your student that their item has been dropped off - WE WILL NOT CALL STUDENTS OUT OF CLASS TO RETRIEVE ITEMS
- students can retrieve items in between class periods ONLY - they will not be permitted to go outside
- lunches can be placed inside the bin, and will be brought in before the end of each block and before the start of each lunch period
- PLEASE NOTE: items such as Chromebooks, phones, headphones, ear buds, etc., should NOT be left on the cart outside, and should be brought inside to the drop-off table

## TECHNOLOGY FEE

All UCPS families will be responsible for paying a $30 annual technology user fee per student. The technology fee will be waived for students who qualify for free lunch. If you haven't paid your student's 2025-2026 technology fee, please scan the QR code below.

# COUNSELING DEPARTMENT

### COUNSELOR CASE LOADS

We're excited to have our two new school counselors on our team! To help them get settled and familiar with our school community, only our veteran counselors will be meeting with seniors for the time being. We appreciate your understanding as we work to provide the best support for all students.

Please reach out to Mrs. Washington with any questions.

### LEON'S LAW

Effective July 1, 2025, Leon's Law is a North Carolina state law (Session Law 2025-46) that changes how education records are handled for students who are under 18 and enrolled in college courses. Under this law, parents/guardians of minor students who are claimed as dependents on the most recent federal tax return may request access to certain education records. This law

works alongside FERPA (Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act), the federal privacy law that protects student education records.

## FAFSA

FAFSA, https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa. To best prepare, review resources found at financialaidtoolkit.ed.gov.

## SEMESTER 2 SCHEDULE CHANGES

**Seniors**- School counselors will process schedule changes for 2nd semester beginning November 10th-14th during 2nd and 3rd block ONLY with Monday being 3rd block only. Seniors may come into school counseling office during these times or make an appointment with your school counselor.

Please note the following last name school counselor assigned:
Scoggins- A-C, N-R
Harris- D-H, U-Z
Washington- I-M, S-T

**Please note that not every schedule change request can be honored as a lot of transcripts have been sent to colleges**. If you have listed an AP course on your schedule and you wish to drop it for something of less value you would need to contact all admission counselors for the colleges in which you applied. If you are replacing that course with another AP course or SPCC course you would not need to contact your college. If you are dropping an honors class for a lesser value weighting course you would need to contact as well.

**Rule of thumb**- If you are dropping and adding for same weight value you would not need to contact your college.

**FLEX- VERY IMPORTANT and please read**
If you are attempting to FLEX or already have FLEX on your schedule you will need to make sure you complete FLEX form that includes your signature and parent. Each student MUST have a signed permission form in order to FLEX. If you was assigned FLEX first semester you must have this new form signed. Form can be found here:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1rJqtXDQiZU2bJc6JWCw968gu4MaAtFcrkukcOC-VhLk/edit?usp=sharing

**Schedule Changes 9th-11th grade**
Counselors will be offering schedule changes the week of January 5th - January 8th in the counseling commons **during lunches only**. Counselors will work in priority of grade level- please make sure you attend on your assigned day. We ask underclassmen to please not come to counseling to request schedule changes any earlier. Counselors will work at their assigned time to place them in desired course of request.
11th Grade-January 5th
10th Grade-January 6th
9th Grade- January 7th

### COLLEGE VISITS

On campus college visits are back! Wondering who will be on campus this week? Check the board in the cafeteria. Semester one visits are open to Seniors and Juniors.

Register in Scoir today

1. Log into Scoir
2. Click on 3 lines in top right corner
3. Click on “Events and Deadlines”
4. Search for college of interest & sign up
5. Visits are in the Counseling Commons

### SENIOR NIGHT INFO

WHS Counselors hope you enjoyed Senior night and found it to be a helpful resource. Presentation link can be found here
https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1tIUtfUoxigOXpSQ1ev6kaNE26F9YOd-21AmfB0lSI0U/edit?usp=sharing

## ACT BLITZ

## ED LUNCH AND LEARN

## 2025-2026 YEARBOOK

Need a gift idea for the holidays?

Then get your student a 2025-2026 WHS Yearbook to capture all the memories from the school year. Scan the QR code below or go to Jostens.com to order today!

# ATHLETIC INFORMATION

## SPIRIT WEAR

The online spirit wear store will be open through December 22nd with a delivery during the week of January 5th. Get your cold weather gear before it runs out!

Click HERE to shop!

Hey warriors - did you know that we offer SPIRITWEAR year-round? Many of our items are available for purchase ANY TIME! Tshirts, hoodies, pj pants, sweats, hats, etc. are available NOW for immediate pickup. Email whsabcspiritwear@gmail.com or text 704-806-6433 to get yours today!

# CHEER FUNDRAISERS

# UCPS EVENT PROTOCOL

## Athletic Department Update

Fall Sports are underway and off to a great start! Be sure to come out and cheer on the Warriors!

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

Please visit https://weddingtonathleticzone.com/ for up to date information!
Coaches Directory
Eligibility Website

**Can't Attend Live? Watch it Live Instead!**
Click here to learn more about our live stream partnership with the NFHS Network! Volleyball, wrestling, basketball, football, soccer and lacrosse will all be live streamed!

**LOOKING FOR A PREVIOUS WARRIOR WEEKLY? CLICK HERE!**

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