

WEAVER ACADEMY IS RANKED 7TH BEST HIGH SCHOOL IN NORTH CAROLINA AND 3RD BEST HIGH SCHOOL IN THE GCS DISTRICT BY U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT (AUGUST 2026)

<NEW> Social Emotional Tip of the Week: As the **October slump** sets in, check in with your body. When we get stressed, we carry it physically – we clench our jaws, hunch our shoulders, take shallow breaths, and skip meals. This signals to your brain that you are in constant danger. Your tip for today: Do a quick physical audit right now. Drop your shoulders away from your ears, unclench your jaw, and take one deep, slow breath. Your physical habits directly dictate your mental stress; remember to let it go.

Thank you for participating in last week's Bullying Prevention Week and Unity Day. Most importantly, thank you for choosing kindness, inclusion, and respect. Let us continue creating a school where everyone feels welcome, valued, and connected.

<NEW> The **Weaver Fashion Department** is having a **model call this week**. This model call is for the **spring fashion show** that will take place on **Monday, May 24**. Students taking a fashion class this semester or next, are **NOT** permitted to model for another designer. Model call will be held in **Mrs. Bergsma's classroom (#208)** during lunch, Tuesday through Thursday. **ANY** student interested in modeling should attend. Wear all black and tighter fitting garments for measurements. See **Mrs. Bergsma** or **Ms. Womack** with any questions.

<NEW> The **InterAct Club** is hosting a **campus trash clean up Wednesday**, October 28, from **4:15-5:15**. Meet at **Mrs. Browning's mobile unit**. **Pizza** will be provided by **Crescent Rotary Club**!

<NEW> This **Friday**, October 30, is an **optional teacher workday**, meaning **no school** for students. We look forward to **welcoming students back to school on Monday, November 2**.

<NEW> **Junior Simon Lower** won the **High School Division** at the **East Carolina University Guitar Festival** this past weekend. **Congratulations to Simon and his instructor Mr. Ingle!**

<NEW> **Weaver Academy** was featured on **FOX8 WGHP** last week. The **"What's Right with Our Schools"** segment first aired on October 19 during the morning news. You may view the **story online** at <https://myfox8.com/spotlight/whats-right-with-our-schools/weaver-academy-prepares-students-for-life-after-graduation/>. Many thanks to **Cindy Farmer** and the **photojournalist** for their visit and interest in sharing the **Weaver experience!**

<NEW> Mark your calendar! **Weaver PTSA Spirit Night** at **Taco Mama** is **Monday, November 9**, from **5 to 9:00pm**. It will be **Taco Monday** for **Weaver Academy!**

Do you know someone who is interested in **Weaver Academy**? We need your help in spreading the word about the **great opportunities** afforded to our students at **Weaver**! The **Guilford County Schools Choice Application Window** is **open** and **closes Friday, December 4**. Please share this information with everyone you know! **Weaver** has **one Tuesday Tour** remaining this week, the **27th**, from **9:30-10:30am**. Also on **Tuesday** is our **Weaver Academy Recruitment Open House Showcase** from **5:30-7:00pm**. Follow and share our **Facebook** and **Instagram** posts, too! Encourage prospective families to visit our school website for important dates and information. Thank you for helping us spread the word!

Weaver Academy will administer the **PreACT** to all **PVA 10th grade students** on **Wednesday, November 4**. This is required for all sophomores. On **PreACT** day, **PVA juniors and seniors** will have a **Post-Secondary Opportunity Day**. Juniors and seniors must return the letter with their selected choice by this **Wednesday, October 28**, to **Mrs. Jones** in the **Counseling Office**. **PVA 9th graders** will come to school on **November 4**. **CTE students** should stay at their home schools.

North Carolina K-12 students are invited to participate in the **North Carolina Office of the State Auditor (OSA) Holiday Card Competition**, a statewide competition that showcases young artists' talents. The three winning pieces will be displayed on **OSA's holiday card**. All entries must be **original in concept, design, and execution** and may not violate any **U.S. copyright laws**. All entries must be submitted by **11:59pm** on **November 12, 2026**. Competition guidelines are available from **Mrs. Gagnon, Ms. Woller, or Mrs. Jones**.

<UPDATED – New Theme Announced> The N.C. Department of Transportation Division of Aviation has launched the 2027 N.C. Aviation Art Contest. Theme is “Forever First in Flight NC” to celebrate our great state’s stature in aviation history. And in the future, how do you imagine our skies will look as cutting-edge technology emerges? Let your creativity soar to the future of aviation and capture the next generation of flight through your art. Contest tips and rules, entry forms, other info at [art contest website](#).

[NC College Connect](https://www.cfnc.org/nc-college-connect/) [https://www.cfnc.org/nc-college-connect/] is officially open! This is an incredible opportunity for qualifying seniors to take the next step toward their post-secondary goals. The application window is now open and will remain available through **January 8, 2027**. Log in now to "Claim your spot!" Through this initiative, eligible seniors can receive direct admission offers from participating North Carolina colleges and universities and NC Community Colleges, helping remove barriers and simplify the college-going process. Please be sure to read all of the details as some programs will require additional information.

Playwrights, writers, and other storytellers may submit their original works to Creative Greensboro’s 2028 North Carolina New Play Project. Open to North Carolina residents or student playwrights, the contest awards a \$500 cash prize and a workshop production of the selected play. With funding from the estate of Mark Gilbert, Creative Greensboro offers this opportunity for the 34th year to advance innovation and support the creative playwriting community. The deadline for submissions is November 2, 2026. For more information and submission instructions, www.greensboro-nc.gov/creativegreensboro or email Todd.Fisher@greensboro-nc.gov.

Out of the Garden Project hosts a FREE Fresh Mobile Market, Tuesday through Saturday, at various times and locations. All families with school-age children in need of food are welcomed to this drive-thru food distribution service to receive free fresh produce and non-perishable items. For dates, times, and locations of mobile markets and to learn more about Out of the Garden Project, visit their website at outofthegardenproject.org/ and Facebook page. Monthly schedules are also posted on the bulletin boards.

<REMINDER> Effective October 1, North Carolina law no longer requires applicants under age 18 to have the Driving Eligibility Certificate from their high school when applying for a Learner’s Permit.

CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS

Album Club meets 4th Friday of the month during lunch in Ms. Coleman’s classroom.

Ambassadors

Anime Club meets Fridays during lunch in Ms. Holt’s classroom (#204).

<THIS WEEK> ASU (Asian Student Union) meets 2nd and 4th Mondays at lunch in the Lower Amphitheatre (#108).

Basketball Club meets Thursdays from 4:15-5:00pm at the Bryan YMCA.

BSU (Black Student Union)

<NEW> Book Club meets at lunch Thursday in Ms. Ellington’s classroom to discuss their October reading.

Campus Light meets Tuesdays during lunch in the Weaver Café for food, fellowship, and Bible teaching. Everyone is welcome!

Chess Club meets Tuesdays at lunch in Mr. LeWinter’s classroom (#209).

<NO MEETING THIS WEEK> Environmental Club meets Mondays during lunch in Ms. Holt’s classroom (#204).

Fashion Club meets 3rd Tuesdays during lunch in Mrs. Bergsma’s room (#208).

<THIS WEEK> Female Empowerment Club meets selected Wednesdays from 12:30-1:00pm in Ms. Ruiz’s classroom (Biology, #115).

Film Production Club

Gaming Club meets Fridays after school until 5:30pm in Mr. LeWinter’s classroom (#209).

<NO MEETING AT LUNCH – AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITY> InterAct Club meets 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month during lunch in Mrs. Bergsma’s classroom.

Latinx Student Union

<THIS WEEK> Mind Matters SEL Club meets **Thursday** at lunch. Location to be announced.

NHS

<THIS WEEK> Pickleball Club meets **2nd and 4th Wednesdays** of each month 8-9:00am at the Bryan YMCA.

Sketchbook/Journal Club

Student Council

Tech Team

Ultimate Frisbee Club meets **Fridays** at 8:15am at the Bryan YMCA.

UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

Theatre Reserved for Tech – Monday, October 26, thru Monday, November 16

Tuesday Tour for Prospective Students/Families – Tuesday, October 27 @ 9:30-10:30am, Weaver Academy

WISE Lunch – Tuesday thru Thursday, October 27 thru 29 @ Lunch, Room #204

Open House Showcase for Prospective Students/Families – Tuesday, October 27 @ 5:30-7pm, Weaver Academy

Juniors & Seniors Post-Secondary Opportunity Day Form Due – Wednesday, October 28, Counseling Office

WISE PM – Thursday, October 29 @ 4:20pm, Media Center

End of Grading Period 1 – Thursday, October 29

GCS Optional Teacher Workday/No School for Students – Friday, October 30

PERFORMANCES & EXHIBITIONS



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