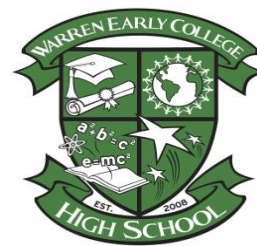




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Warren Early College High School



Ms. Tracey J. Neal, Principal

Ms. Lenora Parks, Guidance Counselor

Newsletter



“Preparing Scholars and Leaders of Tomorrow...Today!”

Mission Statement:

Warren Early College High School provides students the opportunity to earn a high school diploma and an Associate’s degree in preparation for future endeavors and global challenges. Staff, parents, students and community stakeholders will work together to instill in each student the academic and social skills necessary for responsible and productive citizenship.



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Principal’s Message...Preparing for the End of the 2016-2017 School Year

Greetings from WECHS! As we are nearing the end of our 2016-2017 school year, our students seem to realize that the end of the year will mean a break from school work and a chance to revitalize themselves for the next school year. The testing season presents expectations and challenges, but through it all, our students tend to be a bit more excited when warm weather comes and the school year is winding down.

I believe this time of the year can be enjoyable and productive as well in terms of our students being focused on their work and enjoying all the activities planned for them. While I am aware of the significance of testing, I believe school should have an enjoyable element to it as well. Please talk with your child about the importance of this “balance.”



End-of-Year testing will begin on May 9, 2017 and will end on May 22, 2017. Students who score a Level 1 or 2 in Math I, English II or Biology will have the opportunity to retest during May 23, 2017 through May 25, 2017. Breakfast, lunch and transportation will be provided for students during the summer school testing dates.

As our school year comes to a close, we are excited about watching our 13 graduates, 3 of which are early 4-year graduates, earn their high school diplomas and Associate’s degree(s) during the Vance-Granville Community College graduation ceremony as well as WECHS’ graduation ceremony. As happy as we are to see our graduates leave and move into the next phase of their lives, we are equally excited about our upcoming Freshman attending our Freshman Academy on June 21, 2017 through June 23, 2017 and entering our school next year.

Please join our staff in doing all we can do to ensure that our students perform well on our End-of-Grade and NC Final exams and make this closing of school an enjoyable experience.

Warren Early College High School

2016-2017 CALENDAR

APRIL, 2017

- April 1st.....Prom
- April 6th.....End of 5th Six Weeks
- April 13th.....Report Cards
- April 14th.....Holiday/Good Friday
- April 17th.....Holiday/Easter Monday
- April 18th.....Accuplacer Testing (Math)
- April 19th.....Accuplacer Testing (Math)
- April 20th.....Accuplacer Testing (Retest for Math and English)
- April 24th.....Awards Ceremony (Principal's List, Honor Roll, Perfect Attendance) WECHS Cafeteria, 8:15am
- April 25th.....WCS' Board Meeting/Exemplary Works by WECHS
- April 28th.....Early Release Day

MAY, 2017

- May 1stProgress Reports
- May 8th.....Last day for VGCC classes
- May 9thSenior Night/WECHS Cafeteria/6:00pm
- May 12th.....Graduation Ceremony at VGCC Main Campus; 6:00pm
- May 18th.....Graduation Ceremony for WECHS; Held at WCMS at 6:00pm
- May 22nd.....Last day for students
- May 23–May 25.....Summer School testing

LIGHT OF CHARACTER "FAIRNESS"

Congratulations to Andrew Cheek for being awarded March's Light of Character.



BEST ATTENDANCE

Warren Early College High School was recognized for having the best attendance for the 5th consecutive time this

school year. Warren Early College earned the honor with an attendance rate of 94.22%. Congratulations to the students of WECHS!

WECHS APPRECIATES OUR CAFETERIA STAFF

Mrs. Tracy Burchette and Ms. Jewel Bolton are a joy to have at WECHS. Breakfast and dinner are always served with a smile. They ensure that all hot foods are served hot and that students leave the serving line with the correct serving amount for each food group. Students had this to say about our wonderful cafeteria ladies. "We all agree that we have the best cafeteria staff in the world! They greet us every day with the menu for the day. They always say things to make us smile as we go through the serving line. We know that they work diligently to make sure that each student receives the best food and service possible." WECHS appreciates the dedication that Mrs. Burchette and Ms. Bolton shows to the staff and students of WECHS.



WECHS STUDENT SELECTED FOR GOVERNOR'S SCHOOL

WECHS junior Edgar Arrieta-Reyes will represent Warren County at Governor's School of North Carolina this



summer. The son of Jose Arieta and Simona Reyes of Warrenton, he was selected in the subject of English. Arrieta-Reyes will be participating in the program from June 18- July 26 at Salem College in Winston-Salem. Governor's School

provides intellectually gifted students who are rising seniors in high school the opportunity to spend five-and one-half weeks on a college campus studying the most recent ideas and concepts of the academic discipline in which they are selected without credit, tests, or grades. The program is administered by the Public Schools of North Carolina, the State Board of Education and the Department of Public Instruction through the Exceptional Children's Division. Student must complete an application that includes two essays in order to be considered. Arrieta-Reyes said that he about his selection into the program a couple of weeks ago.

His primary focus during Governor's School will be English classes, but he noted that participants will have an

opportunity to take other courses, such as religious studies or martial arts. The session will be a busy time for students with days filled with seminars combined with some free time. Arrieta-Reyes is looking forward to spending time on a college campus.

"It's a taste of college life," he said. "Classes will help me learn something new and grow as a person." The junior maintains a busy schedule as a Warren Early College student. He has played soccer each year since middle school and is a member of the Beta Club and has been active with the group's community outreach efforts. Last summer, Arrieta-Reyes took college classes through Vance-Granville Community College, and he plans to take online courses this summer while he is at Governor's School.

Striving for academic excellence is nothing new for Arrieta-Reyes. He has scored a score of 26 out of 36 on the ACT college entrance exam, but plans to retake it to see if he can achieve a higher score.

Warren Early College allows students to earn a college associate's degree and high school diploma at the same time. Arrieta-Reyes is thinking about continuing his education at N.C. State University in Raleigh, majoring in political science and minoring in technology or textile design.

Warren Early College Principal Tracey Neal described Arrieta-Reyes as a well-rounded student who excels academically while undertaking a number of other school responsibilities, such as student ambassador and tutor.

"I am so excited that he received this acceptance (to Governor's School) because he is such a deserving student", she said.

TRIP TO HOLOCAUST MUSEUM



ALL GRADUATES ARE COLLEGE BOUND!!!!

All of our thirteen potential graduates, three of which are potential early graduates, have been accepted to a 4-year college or university:

- ✦ Alston, Arron: North Carolina Central University
- ✦ Alvarado, Jasmine: Longwood University, Manhattanville College, Pennsylvania State University, UNC-Pembroke
- ✦ Arrieta, Janneth: Wingate University
- ✦ Avalos, Javier: Mount Olive College

- ✦ Boone, Aaron: Wingate University
- ✦ Carroll, Patrice: Wingate University
- ✦ Cutts, Whitney: Wingate University
- ✦ Diacont, Michael: East Carolina University
- ✦ Hicks, LaDayza: UNC-Pembroke
- ✦ Labra, Steven: East Carolina University, Indiana University, Rhode Island University, UNC-Pembroke
- ✦ Miller, Amanda: Appalachian State University, Georgia State University, UNC-Chapel Hill, UNC-Greensboro
- ✦ Richardson, Gavin: Johnson and Wales University, NC Wesleyan College
- ✦ Short, Savannah: Appalachian State University

COUNSELOR'S CORNER

Graduation Dates: VGCC Graduation - May 12, 2017 at 6:00pm on the main campus of VGCC.

WECHS Graduation: May 18, 2017 at 6:00pm in the gym of WCMS.

Internship – The class of 2018 must have a commitment from an organization for their internship at least by the end of August. Students have the potential to complete the required internship over the summer. See Ms. Parks for internship ideas.

Senior Night – Senior Night will be held on May 9, 2017 at 6:00pm in the cafeteria of WECHS.

Service Learning Hours – All students must have 60 hours of service learning hours upon graduation. Students who earn 100 hours will have the honor of wearing a green cord at their graduation ceremony. Hours can be earned through volunteering at places such as the Fire Department, Teen Court, Youth Services Bureau, area churches, etc.

END-OF-YEAR TESTING SCHEDULE

English II (EOC)	May 9
Biology (EOC)	May 10
Math I (EOC)	May 11
Civics and Economics	May 12
EOC Makeup Testing	May 12
English I, III	May 15
American History II	May 16
Math II, III	May 17
Earth and Environment Science	May 18
Physical Science	May 18
Makeup Testing	May 19, 22

SUMMER SCHOOL TESTING SCHEDULE

English I (EOC)	May 23
Math I (EOC)	May 24
Biology (EOC)	May 25