



Exciting Learning Opportunities Abound at Anson High School

Anson County CTE ran a short, but powerful, CTE Summer Camp Spectacular from June 20 through June 23. Student campers enjoyed four days packed with CTE experiences and walked away with their own drone and robot at the end of the week.

Campers had the opportunity to complete four unique CTE focused hands-on projects in the Carpentry, Drones, Foods and Robotics pathways. The projects included:

- Building and programming a robot
- Learning to fly drones based on given criteria
- Building a drone from a kit
- Planning a menu from a pre-determined budget and preparing a full-course meal for competition
- Preparing and installing flooring
- Create custom colors and looks for flooring finish competition

AHS Cheerleaders Attend UCA Camp

On July 29-31, Coach Kristie McCollum and Coach McKayla Ricketts took twenty-two cheerleaders from Anson High School to UNC Chapel Hill for UCA Camp. At this camp athletes learned different skills in stunting, motions, and jumps to grow them as cheerleaders.

Also at the camp, athletes competed in jump-offs, dance-offs, and got the opportunity to tryout to be an All-American Cheerleader. Jemia Raley (senior) and Genna McCollum (freshman) competed in the jump-off and Mara Veth (junior) won the dance-off.

Out of twenty-two girls, only six could try out for All-American. Those six girls were Caroline Austin (junior), Hannah Austin (freshman), Morgan Burr (junior), Kaylee Eckersley (senior), Genna McCollum (freshman) and Mara Veth (junior). Out of those six that tried out, four of them made All-American. They were, Hannah Austin, Morgan Burr, Kaylee Eckersley and Mara Veth. These girls will have the opportunity travel with the other All-American Cheerleaders to different events. Not only did the girls learn more about the sport they love, but they also learned more about themselves and grew as a team. Senior and team captain Wykeria Little said, "My camp experience was awesome! I was able to experience college life. From waking up early, to going to eat breakfast at Chase Hall, to a quick walk around campus and sleeping in a dorm - I had the best 3 days of my life and will never forget this experience. I would definitely recommend this camp to any cheer team!"

Team captain and senior Kaylee Eckersley also commented on her experience by saying, "My experience at the UCA camp at UNC was amazing. I enjoyed this experience and loved every second of this trip with my teammates. I am grateful to be able to bring home the new things we learned at camp, and the ability to build a closer bond staying with my teammates for the weekend doing what we love most. I appreciate the opportunity we were granted, and as a senior on the cheer team this year, I hope all the future cheerleaders at Anson High School are able to continue to revisit this camp as it was so educating and helpful being a cheerleader!"



Message from AMS Principal Dr. Potts

Nothing is more thrilling than the beginning of a new school year. Every campus is made more beautiful and exciting by its students, and Anson Middle is no exception. I will love to see our Bearcat Babies back, a bit taller perhaps, maybe with updated hairstyles, or fresh new shoes, but all ready to participate in the vibrant and safe learning environment we are creating at Anson Middle School.

This year, we have so much more to offer as we continue to empower our students to reach new heights, and I'm excited to share some of our initiatives.

During the 2022-2023 school year, we will execute our "AMS Game Plan" which aligns with our school vision, mission, and strategic goals for Anson County School District. Specifically, we will implement our "Big Three" consisting of schoolwide binders to promote student organization, systematic note-taking to encourage retention of content, and our unified reading process to build literacy skills in each student.

In addition to the big three, students will participate in advisory homerooms to promote academic solid partnerships with families.

We know it takes a village, so let's grow our students together and prepare them for high school, college, and career opportunities. #togetherbearcats

Inaugural Summer Bridge Academy at Anson Middle School

The inaugural Summer Bridge Academy at Anson Middle School was a great success! This experience was designed to prepare rising 6th graders for their upcoming transition to middle school.

Students completed hands-on STEM activities, participated in social-emotional learning segments, and took field trips to the U.S. National Whitewater Center in Charlotte, the Carolina Treetop Challenge in Albemarle, and our very own Bearcat Battalion Course with a tour of Anson High School.

Students collaborated with other rising 6th graders, were introduced to grade-level academic material, and began forming the building blocks of lifelong friendships. We're excited to see our Bearcats return to AMS campus in a few short weeks!

