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## Hurricane Helene Update: Coastal South Carolina and Southeast North Carolina on Alert

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As of Wednesday, September 25, 2024, Hurricane Helene continues to intensify as it approaches the Florida Big Bend area. The National Weather Service (NWS) Wilmington office issued a series of updates and warnings for areas in Northeast South Carolina and Southeast North Carolina, with potential local impacts expected from Thursday into Friday.

#### Situation Overview

Hurricane Helene is a large and powerful storm system, expected to make landfall near the Florida Big Bend on Thursday evening.

Due to its large physical size, the effects of the storm will be felt far away from the center, especially on the eastern side.

Local impacts in South Carolina and Southeast North Carolina are projected to include:

Gusty winds, particularly in coastal regions.

Areas of flooding, especially in low-lying or flood-prone zones.

Isolated tornadoes, with the highest threat from Thursday night through Friday.

Dangerous surf conditions, with large breakers and strong rip currents affecting coastal waters.

Watches and Warnings

A Tropical Storm Watch has been issued for coastal Georgetown and Horry Counties in South Carolina, as well as adjacent marine zones extending up to 20 nautical miles from the shore.

The watch area extends from South Santee River to Little River Inlet, with potential impacts from Thursday evening.

Peak Forecast Wind Gusts

The NWS predicts that wind gusts of 30 to 40 mph are likely, primarily in coastal regions of Northeast South Carolina, with winds of 25-30 mph further inland. There is a possibility of higher gusts near thunderstorms, which could lead to:

Downed trees and power lines.

Power outages across the affected regions.

**Timing of Tropical Storm Winds** 

The most likely arrival time for tropical-storm-force winds is Thursday evening, with impacts persisting into Friday. Areas along the coastal regions of Northeast South Carolina are expected to experience the strongest winds.

#### Storm Surge Forecast

Minor coastal flooding is expected along the coasts of Northeast South Carolina and Southeast North Carolina, particularly with each high tide. This will be exacerbated by peak storm surges, particularly during Thursday afternoon and Friday morning. The Cape Fear River and Wilmington areas are also expected to see flooding with each high tide through the end of the week.

#### Tornado Threats

The primary tornado threat is anticipated to occur from Thursday night into Friday, as the outer bands of the storm sweep through the region. The NWS advises residents to be alert to changing weather conditions, as severe thunderstorms could spawn isolated tornadoes.

#### Key Takeaways

Hurricane Helene is strengthening rapidly and is expected to make landfall near Florida's Big Bend. The storm will expand significantly, and areas well outside the storm's center will feel the effects.

Rainfall amounts of 1 to 2 inches are expected, with some areas potentially receiving higher amounts. This rainfall could lead to isolated flooding, especially in areas already saturated from previous storms.

Residents in coastal and low-lying areas should prepare for the possibility of minor coastal flooding during high tides and ensure their safety plans are in place.

#### **Next Briefing**

The National Weather Service will provide its next update at 6:00 PM EDT on Wednesday, September 25, 2024. Residents are encouraged to stay informed through official sources, including local NWS offices and social media channels.

Stay safe and be prepared for changing weather conditions as Hurricane Helene approaches.

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### **Thoughts While Shaving For September 25**

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Thoughts While Shaving archive

Yesterday's high temp was 84 degrees ... heat index 89...

Forecast for today (Wednesday) ... Partly sunny with a high near 86 ... Overnite low near 70 degrees ... A storm is brewing down south...

Thursday, activity picks up ... A chance of showers and thunderstorms after 7 p.m. Mostly cloudy with a high near 83 ... Calm wind becoming east 5 to 8 mph in the morning ... Wind could gusts as high as 16 mph ... Chance of rain is 30% ... Thursday night ... A chance of showers and thunderstorms after 2 a.m. with gusts as high as 17 mph and a 60% chance of rain ... More of the same on Friday and a 60% chance of rain...

We all need to follow the forecast for the next several days...

Saturday ... Mostly sunny with a high near 86.

Tropical storm Helene is currently west of the Cabo Verde Island, producing disorganized showers and thunderstorms ... current direction is expected to be in the western part of the state ... in the next 3 or 4 days ... Officially, hurricane season continues thru November 30...

A salute to West Bladen's Hezekiah Adams ... named WWAY's player of the week after last week's football victory, their first win of the year...

The best way to stay up to date with ongoing activities in the area is to check our BOL Calendar of Events...

"Let frustration fuel inspiration." Sonia Boyce

"Our ultimate freedom is the right and power to decide how anybody or anything outside ourselves will affect us." Stephen Covey

"Our real blessings often appear to us in the shape of pains, losses, and disappointments." Joseph Addison

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### County braces for Hurricane Helene's impacts

September 25, 2024 | Brunswick Beacon, The (Shallotte, NC) Author: Dylan Phillips Brunswick Beacon Editor Section: News 460 Words OpenURL Link

Brunswick County is bracing for potential impacts from Hurricane Helene, as the storm threatens the county just over a week after a tropical cyclone dropped historic rainfall and caused widespread catastrophic flood damage.

Hurricane Helene is expected to make landfall near the Big Bend of Florida on Thursday evening, Sept. 26, the National Weather Service-Wilmington (NWS) said in its Wednesday, Sept. 25 noon update. "Due its large physical size, effects will be felt far away from the storm center, especially to its east. Local impacts will include gusty winds, some areas of flooding, isolated tornadoes, and dangerous surf conditions."

As of Wednesday afternoon, the National Hurricane Center has forecasted Hurricane Helene to make landfall as a Category 4 storm in western Florida before making its way north.

Although not in the storm's direct path currently, southeastern North Carolina and Brunswick County are expected to feel the storm's impacts between Thursday evening, Sept. 26, into Friday, Sept. 27.

Currently, southeastern North Carolina, including Brunswick County, is projected to get between one and two inches of rainfall from Helene, with isolated amounts being potentially higher. The rain could result in isolated flooding.

"Areas hardest hit by last week's heavy rain event will be extra flood prone," NWS noted.

Winds gusts between 30 to 40 miles per hour (mph) are possible, according to NWS, but that is mainly across portions of northeast South Carolina. Winds up to 30 mph are expected in southeast North Carolina.

The county is still reeling from the impacts of Potential Tropical Cyclone 8 that hit Brunswick County on Monday, Sept. 16. Though between two to five inches of rain with some flash flooding was predicted, NWS's rainfall totals indicate between 14 and 20 inches fell in areas during last Monday's storm.

And while Helene's effects on Brunswick County are currently projected to be minor, Brunswick County is preparing for the worst.

Brunswick County Schools (BCS) sent students back to the classroom on a staggered schedule this week. On Wednesday afternoon, BCS has cancelled school and all athletic events at all BCS schools scheduled for Friday in preparation for the storm's potential impacts.

This includes the West Brunswick High School football game at home against Ashley. That game has been rescheduled for Monday, Sept. 30, at 6:30 p.m. WBHS will be back in action later next week when it hosts Hoggard at 7 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 4.

Brunswick County Government in its Sept. 25, 5 p.m. update on the county's response to last week's cyclone said the county is continuing to monitor Helene's path.

North Carolina Governor Roy Cooper has declared a State of Emergency ahead of Hurricane Helene as North Carolina prepares for severe weather impacts that could threaten life and property across North Carolina through Saturday morning.

Find the latest information on Hurricane Helene here: NWS Helene briefings.

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### Monday's high school football rewind: NC scores, how The Sweet 16 fared, upcoming schedule

September 25, 2024 | Charlotte Observer, The: Web Edition Articles (NC) Author: Langston Wertz Jr. and Steve Lyttle, The Charlotte Observer | Section: high\_school | 1623 Words OpenURL Link

Hurricane Helene forced changes to the high school football schedule last week, pushing some games to Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of this week..

Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools announced schools would be closed Monday due to "continued issues around the district from Hurricane Helene," but the district also said high school games would be played and that middle school events would be rescheduled.

We've got full coverage below from Monday, as well as last week's games.

Scroll down:

Talking Preps newsletter embed

Quick links

Hurricane Helene could force changes to playoff schedule

No. 6 Hough routs Chambers on the road

East Meck ends losing streak, shuts out Garinger

HS roundup: South Meck, West Charlotte, JM Robinson get impressive wins

Carolinas top 25: the best teams in NC, SC ranked

HS roundup: Palisades pulls off upset, Butler stops Providence, Mooresville QB sets record; more

Charlotte Catholic upsets Independence on the road

Northwestern rolls past Catawba Ridge

Charlotte Latin, North Meck get Wednesday wins (scroll down)

WATCH: Catholic QB Charlie Smith talks Independence upsetCharlotte Catholic QB Charlie Smith had to improvise a lot on his team's final drive at Independence. But led the Cougars to a touchdown, and a come-from-behind upset win.

How The Sweet 16 fared

How the Sweet 16 fared

RankSchoolRecordThis weekFriday, Oct. 41Weddington(5-0)idleidle2Northwestern(6-0)d. Catawba Ridge 59-17Clover3Providence Day(5-1)d. North Raleigh Christian 61-7idle4Mallard Creek(4-1)d. Hopewell 50-0at North Mecklenburg5Independence(4-1)lost 25-22 to Charlotte Catholicat Garinger6Hough(4-1)d. Chambers 58-3West

Mecklenburg7West Charlotte(3-1)d. West Meck 32-14Hopewell8J.M. Robinson(5-0)d. Carson 36-0East Rowan9Charlotte Christian(3-2)forfeit loss to Rabun GapChrist School10Monroe(4-0)idleat Forest Hills11South Pointe(3-2)idleCamden12Mooresville(4-1)d. Hickory Ridge 56-7at Providence13Porter Ridge(4-1)idleMarvin Ridge14Charlotte Catholic(3-2)d. Independence 25-22Rocky River15Lake Norman(4-1)d. AL Brown 42-2at West Cabarrus16North Lincoln(4-0)vs. Hickory Wed.North Iredell

**Talking Preps** Week 6 preview show The picks OBSERVER HS PICKS FOOTBALL -4.png Monday's scores Queen City 3A-4A Hough 58, Chambers 3 West Charlotte 32, West Mecklenburg 14 SoMECK 4A South Mecklenburg 41, Berry Academy 13 Southwestern 4A East Mecklenburg 35, Garinger 0 Greater Metro 4 4A Lake Norman 42, AL Brown 2 West Cabarrus 31, Cox Mill 0 Southern Carolina 4A Sun Valley 21, Marvin Ridge 7 South Piedmont 3A Concord 32, Central Cabarrus 12 Jay M. Robinson 36, Jesse Carson 0 Northwest Cabarrus 48, East Rowan 0 Western Foothills 3A Fred T. Foard (0-4, 0-1) at West Iredell (2-2, 0-1), canceled

Catawba Valley 2A

Bandys (4-0, 1-0) at East Burke (1-3, 0-0), canceled

Bunker Hill (3-1, 1-0) at West Caldwell (0-4, 0-1), ppd, Saturday, 6:30

Catawba Shores 1A-2A

Bishop McGuinness 14 Carver 6

Community School of Davidson (2-2, 1-0) at Mountain Island Charter (1-3, 0-1), ppd, Monday, Oct. 7, 6:30 p.m.

Corvian Community 16, Christ the King 7

Pine Lake Prep 22, Winston-Salem Prep 8

Non-conference

Cabarrus Stallions 24, Bonnie Cone Leadership 12

Forest Hills 27, North Stanly 7

Lake Norman Charter 24, Albemarle 8

Metrolina Christian (2-3) at Ravenscroft School (2-4), canceled

Westside (SC) at Weddington, canceled

NC statewide

Corinth Holders 16, Willow Spring 13

Cummings 63 Graham 0

Lexington 69, South Davidson 0

Middle Creek 48, Green Level 0

Mount Tabor 45, RJ Reynolds 0

North Brunswick 31, South Brunswick 16

North Johnston 8, Lakewood 7

North Rowan 15, Thomasville 12

Pamlico County 26, Washington County 22

Princeton 42, Clinton 20

Pungo Christian 22, Community Christian 14

Salisbury 42, West Davidson 7

Western Alamance 19, Eastern Alamance 0

SC area Clover 35, Fort Mill 3 Upcoming schedule **TUESDAY** Big South 3A Forestview (1-3, 1-0) at Ashbrook (3-1, 0-1), 7:30 Kings Mountain (3-1, 1-0) at North Gaston (2-2, 0-1), 7 Catawba Valley 2A West Lincoln (2-2, 0-1) at Maiden (3-1, 1-0), 7 Southern Piedmont 1A-2A Bessemer City (3-2, 1-0) at Highland Tech (3-1, 0-1), 7 **WEDNESDAY** Big South 3A Hunter Huss (1-2, 0-1) at South Point (3-0, 1-0), 7 Crest (4-0, 1-0) at Stuart Cramer (1-3, 0-1), 7 Catawba Valley 2A Newton-Conover (1-3, 1-0) at Lincolnton (0-4, 0-1), 7:30 Western Foothills 3A North Lincoln (4-0, 1-0) at Hickory (4-0, 1-0), 7 **FRIDAY** Southern Piedmont 1A-2A Cherryville (1-4, 0-1) at East Gaston (1-3, 0-0), 7 This week's scores (all kickoffs at 7 p.m. unless otherwise noted) **SATURDAY** Queen City 3A-4A

Mallard Creek 50, Hopewell 0

SoMeck 4A

Ardrey Kell 74, Ballantyne Ridge 7

Palisades 20, Myers Park 15

Southwestern 4A

Butler 28, Providence 10

Charlotte Catholic 25, Independence 22

Greater Metro 4 4A

Mooresville 56, Hickory Ridge 7

South Piedmont 3A

West Rowan 40, South Rowan 6

Western Foothills 3A

North Iredell 14, St. Stephens 7

Statesville 34, East Lincoln 21

Nonconference

Eastern Randolph 41, Parkwood 6

NC statewide

Hayesville 37, Concord Christian 16

Hoggard 48, Laney 14

Jack Britt 28, Lumberton 0

MtAiry 17, Starmount 14

North Surry 51, Forbush 21

Reagan 21, Glenn 6

SW Randolph 49, Asheboro 47

**FRIDAY** 

Big South 4A (Independent)

Rabun Gap 1, Charlotte Christian 0 (forfeit)

Charlotte-area nonconference

Charlotte Country Day 37, Cannon School 16 GRACE Christian at Hickory Grove Christian, canceled SouthLake Christian at Trinity Christian, canceled NC statewide Faith Christian 42, Halifax 14 Page 30, Ragsdale 6 South Carolina (area) Northwestern 59, Catawba Ridge 17 **THURSDAY** Nonconference Providence Day 61, North Raleigh Christian 7 Statewide scores Apex 33, Cary 22 Bear Grass Charter 46, Columbia 20 (8-man) Cape Fear 38, Purnell Swett 0 Cardinal Gibbons 21, Hillside 0 C.B. Aycock 24, East Wake 7 Clayton 38, Garner 14 Cleveland 49, South Garner 24 Community Christian 48, Triangle Science & Math 0 Currituck County 21, Camden County 20 Eastern Guilford 60, High Point Central 0 Farmville Central 42, Ayden-Grifton 22 Fike 24, South Johnston 0 First Flight 14, Manteo 2 Grimsley 47, Northwest Guilford 7

Havelock 47, Tarboro 20

Jacksonville 34, New Bern 24 J.H. Rose 20, South Central 15 John Paul II Catholic 49, Lawrence Academy 14 (8-man) Lejeune 66, Spring Creek 44 Millbrook 16, Jordan 7 Nash Central 42, Franklinton 0 North Edgecombe 42, Rocky Mount Prep 6 North Lenoir 20, Southwest Onslow 15 Northern Guilford 6, Southeast Guilford 0 Northern Nash 56, Bunn 6 Northwood 40, Bartlett Yancey 22 Overhills 14, E.E. Smith 0 Pine Forest 61, Western Harnett 14 Pinetown Northside 1, Fairmont 0 (forfeit) Pungo Christian 57, Northeast Academy 6 (8-man) Richmond Senior 36, Pinecrest 7 Rocky Mount Academy 35, St. David's 12 (8-man) Scotland County 38, Southern Lee 17 Seaforth 27, Chatham Central 0 Seventy-First 53, Gray's Creek 0 South Columbus 21, Pender 16 Southeast Raleigh 15, Fuquay-Varina 6

SouthWest Edgecombe 37, Greens Central 22 Terry Sanford 29, Triton 0 Vance County 38, Louisburg 33 Wallace-Rose Hill 82, South Lenoir 0 Washington 44, West Craven 28

Wayne Christian 75, Liberty Christian 0 (8-man)
West Carteret 29, North Pitt 14

West Stokes 24, Morehead 6

Whiteville 54, Heide Trask 0

WEDNESDAY

Queen City 3A-4A

North Mecklenburg 51, Harding 0

Nonconference

Central Pageland (SC) 32, Anson County 7

Charlotte Latin 45, Covenant Day 14

Charlotte Latin rolls to 7-0, stops Covenant Day

DSC 5909.JPGCharlotte Latin's Titus Ivory is congratulated after a big play against Covenant Day Wednesday

Charlotte Latin is doing some pretty historic stuff this season under second-year coach Drew Dayton.

After finishing 3-7 last year with a three-game losing streak, the Hawks have started the 2024 season on a roll. Wednesday night, Charlotte Latin ran away from Mecklenburg County rival Covenant Day 45-14 Wednesday night to improve to 7-0 on the season.

The 7-0 start is the best at the school since 2021 and ties for the second-best in school history. In 2007, Charlotte Latin finished 13-0 with its best team in school history and became the first private school to win The Charlotte Observer's Sweet 16 regional poll championship.

The Covenant Day game was moved up from Friday to avoid possible tropical storm conditions that are expected to arrive in the area later this week, courtesy of Hurricane Helene.

Latin really got going in the second quarter and third quarters, when the Hawks scored 28 straight points to turn a 7-7 game into a blowout.

Up 35-7 though, Covenant Day tried to make a push.

First, it got a 95-yard touchdown pass from QB Logan Misocky, a former Charlotte Latin player, to Chris Rivens. On the ensuing kickoff, Latin fumbled and Covenant Day got the ball,down 35-14, at the Latin 29, but ended up punting.

On Convenant Day's next possession, Latin's Burke Denny intercepted Misocky, who threw three interceptions, and returned it 42 yards for another 28-point lead.

#### THREE WHO MADE A DIFFERENCE

Carson Clutter, Charlotte Latin: Clutter ran 17 times for 144 yards and two touchdowns. The Hawks offensive line frequently gave him clean running lanes. Clutter took advantage.

Titus Ivory, Charlotte Latin: Ivory had several nice tackles and an interception from his defense back position. He also had a pretty 57-yard catch and run for a score on offense.

Chris Rivens, Covenant Day: Rivens had a 95-yard reception for a touchdown and finished with six catches for 173 yards and two touchdowns.

#### **NOTABLE**

« Latin intercepted Covenant Day three times and had multiple sacks. The defense held Covenant Day's starting running back to 14 carries for 12 yards

« Latin QB Troy Logan was 12 for 22 for 146 yards, but he also made some good decisions when pressured, just throwing the ball out of bounds and giving his team another down, instead of trying to force the ball. On two of those drives, Latin later scored.

« The weather did arrive Wednesday, blowing sheets or rain and wind in the first half.

**GAME SUMMARY** 

Covenant Day 7 0 7 0 — 14

Charlotte Latin 7 21 14 3 — 45

First Quarter

CL: Troy Logan 13 run (Holden Freno kick)

CD: Chris Rivens 30 pass from Logan Misocky (Alex Kokoshvili kick)

Second Quarter

CL: Gavin Provencher 89 kick return (Freno kick)

CL: Titus Ivory 57 pass from Logan (Freno kick)

CL: Carson Clutter 16 run (Freno kick)

Third Quarter

CL: Clutter 12 run (Freno kick)

CD: Rivens 95 from Misocky (Kokoshvili kick)

Fourth Quarter

CL: Burke Denny 42 interception return (Freno kick)

CL: FG Freno 40

PHOTOS: Covenant Day at Charlotte Latin Wednesday, Sept. 25, 2024

North Meck rolls past Harding Wednesday

North Mecklenburg scored on its first play from scrimmage and rolled to a 51-0 Queen City 3A-4A victory

Wednesday night over visiting Harding.

The Vikings (2-3, 1-1), who have outscored their opponents 103-0 in their two victories this season, led 29-0 after the first quarter and 44-0 at halftime.

Harding (1-4, 0-2) was playing for the first time under interim head coach Terrance Cunningham, who took over when JT Stone resigned abruptly earlier this week.

The Rams took the opening kickoff but fumbled the ball away on their first play. North Mecklenburg's Chuck House, a Tennessee commit, recovered at the Harding 12. Three plays later, the Vikings scored on a 5-yard pass catch by Tyler McClain.

After a three-and-out by Harding, North Mecklenburg scored again, this time on a 9-yard run by Justin McBean.

Harding then fumbled the ball away at its 8, and Landon Gilmore ran for North Mecklenburg's third touchdown. Just 4:15 into the game, the Vikings led 22-0.

A 50-yard touchdown pass reception by Gilmore shortly before halftime gave North Mecklenburg a 44-0 lead and insured that a running clock would be in use for the second half.

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