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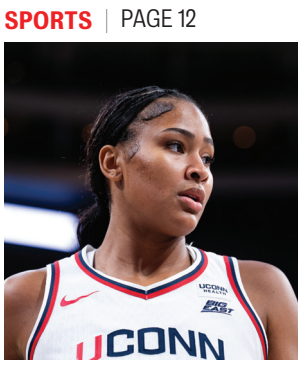
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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL
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WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY
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WOMEN'S HOCKEY
Nov. 13 | 2 p.m. | Storrs, Conn.

VOLLEYBALL
Nov. 13 | 6 p.m. | Storrs, Conn.

MEN'S HOCKEY
Nov. 13 | 7 p.m. | Storrs, Conn.

MEN'S BASKETBALL
Nov. 13 | 7:30 p.m. | Hartford, Conn.

FOOTBALL
Nov. 14 | Noon | East Hartford, Conn.

WOMEN'S HOCKEY
Nov. 14 | 2 p.m. | Providence, RI

VOLLEYBALL
Nov. 14 | 3 p.m. | Storrs, Conn.

MEN'S HOCKEY
Nov. 14 | 3 p.m. | Hartford, Conn.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL
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MEME OF THE DAY



UCONN ALUM WERSTLER WINS THE 35TH DISTRICT



Democratic Connecticut senator-elect Ethan Werstler. Werstler flipped the district from red to blue for the first time in over 30 years.

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University of Connecticut alumnus Ethan Werstler was elected to represent Connecticut's 35th State Senate District in last Tuesday's midterm elections.

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The 26-year-old Woodstock native, who graduated from UConn in 2022, will be the youngest state senator in Connecticut when he assumes office in January.

Werstler flipped the district from red to blue for the first time in over 30 years, returning it to the state's majority party. He will succeed Republican Jeff Gordan.

"For the last thirty years we've been outside looking in," Werstler said. "But now, we are at the table."

Werstler said that Northeastern Connecticut has consistently been left behind by the state government and that there is "blatant disregard for working-class Americans and their pocketbooks."

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"People are, rightfully so, furious about the direction this country's been heading on," Werstler said.

Werstler said he is not giving Democrats "a pass" on this issue, and that they also need to show why they are different and why they deserve to run a country or state.

A central part of Werstler's platform is advocating for the needs of young people alongside those of other demographics.

He said politicians do not spend enough time asking young people what they want, and that in his term, he will work to amplify the voices of his generation.

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Werstler said he views his age as an asset and a point of perspective that he can contribute to the state legislature.

Werstler said he has a lot of priorities for his upcoming term, one of which is to regulate artificial intelligence at the state level in a "fair and reasonable way that doesn't spur innovation, but protects people."

He said he is also looking to pass legislation that protects data, the environment, the workforce and the future of Connecticut.

"Ultimately, it is the young people who most suffer when we sit on our hands and don't take care of our technology or regulate our technology," he said.

Werstler said his team, driven by young people, ran a smart and modern campaign that aided in his success.

He credited a large part of his victory to their consistent efforts to connect with voters through door-knocking and advertisements.

Werstler said the UConn College Democrats were "pivotal" to his success and that they put him in a good position to represent the students of his district.

Werstler said he is not waiting until January to act, and that he plans to continue engagement with the community in the coming months.

"Always, I will be looking out for the little guy, for the people still trying to make it, and for those who are suffering here and struggling here in the State of Connecticut," he said.

Toscano resigns as chair of Board of Trustees

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The Chair of the University of Connecticut Board of Trustees, Daniel Toscano, has resigned after seven years in the position, according to a spokesperson for Governor Ned Lamont.

"Over the past seven years, Dan's leadership of the board has helped strengthen UConn and elevate its reputation as one of the best universities in the country, contributing to a record-breaking surge in applications from aspiring Huskies across the nation," Lamont said in a statement. "I applaud Dan for his eighteen years of service on the UConn Board of Trustees and the UConn Foundation Board of Directors, and I am grateful for his commitment and dedication to the university."

A spokesperson for Lamont said the governor would be announcing a new appointment to the position in the coming days.

The announcement comes amidst speculation over UConn President Radenka Maric's contract. Connecticut Speaker of the House Matt Ritter confirmed that he won't seek to become the university's interim president, telling the Connecticut Mirror "there won't be a vacancy, so there's nothing to consider."

Despite this and assurances from Maric at a recent University Senate meeting that she will not leave UConn, the president is still scheduled to speak at a University of Wisconsin-Madison public forum as one of three finalists to be the university's new chancellor.

The university did not respond to a request for comment.



The Chair of the UConn Board of Trustees, Daniel Toscano. Toscano has served seven years in the position.

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UConn alumnus Ethan Werstler (left) was elected to represent Connecticut's 35th State Senate District in the 2026 midterm elections. Werstler will be the youngest senator in Connecticut, at only 26 years old, when he assumes office in January.

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Correction: The photo captions on the front page of the Nov. 12 edition of The Daily Campus inaccurately stated that the Mansfield Town Council met in the Mansfield Town Center. The council met in the Audrey P. Beck Municipal Building.