

Tony Edwards grew up in the beautiful mountains of northeast Tennessee and graduated in 2002 from the University of North Carolina at Asheville with an undergraduate degree in Atmospheric Sciences. In 2003, Tony achieved a lifelong dream of working in the National Weather Service. This new career began on the edge of the Arctic Ocean in Barrow, Alaska followed by another stop in Fairbanks. Tony spent two amazing years in Alaska, but the beautiful Appalachian Mountains lured him back “home” and he accepted a position at NWS Jackson, KY in 2005. Overall, Tony spent 12 years in the mountains of eastern Kentucky, serving as a General Meteorologist, Incident Meteorologist, and Warning Coordination Meteorologist (WCM). In 2017, Tony made the jump over the Big Sandy River to serve as the WCM at NWS Charleston, WV.

As the Warning Coordination Meteorologist, Tony serves as the liaison between the local NWS office and Emergency Management, county officials and members of the media, and is responsible for planning, coordinating and carrying out the public severe weather awareness program for a diverse region covering 49 counties in West Virginia, Ohio, Kentucky and Virginia.