

WARRIOR NEWS

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LET'S HAVE A GREAT
SCHOOL YEAR

Marching Warriors Perform at Wal-Mart Grand Opening, New Orleans East Public Library Back-to-School Parade



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Message From Our Principal/CEO

September 9, 2014

Dear Parents,

Welcome to the 2014-2015 school year! We've already completed one month of instruction. We're back into the "swing" of things.

As always, we stress the importance of our school culture— doing things the "Fannie" way. Warriors are always prompt, polite, productive and prepared. Everyone knows that—or

should know it! It's been our motto since 2007 and our days in the white trailers. Our behavior expectations for all students revolve around what we call the 4Ps. Please review the Warrior Family Handbook to ensure that all members of your family understand the "Fannie" way.

Thanks for entrusting your child to us. Remember that we have formed a partnership regarding your student. Until next month . . .

—Kelly S. Batiste

1st Semester No School Days for Students

- Monday, September 1 - Labor Day
- Friday, October 10 - PD (Workshop Day for Teachers)
- Monday, October 13 - Columbus Day
- Week of November 24-28 - Thanksgiving Break
- Week of December 22-31 - Winter Break
- January 1-2 - Winter Break



Upcoming Meetings!
Mark your calendars . . .

FCWCS
C.L.A.S.S.

Board of Directors
Meetings
September 23 - 6 p.m.
November 18 - 6 p.m.

World's Finest Chocolate
on Sale - \$60.00 per box
August 25 - September 26

Can you help us?
See Mrs. B. Watson



After School Program Provides Care

Warriors are once again provided after school care after the 3:15 dismissal bell.

"The World Is Our Playground" is this year's theme. Students enrolled in the program are engaged in meaningful activities such as art, music, dance, creative writing, tutorials, cheerleading, and athletics.

Parents who are not able to pick up their children at regular dismissal time of 3:15 p.m. should take advantage of this program. **The After School Program runs Monday through Thursday, 3:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.** Dismissal on Fridays is at 3:15 p.m. for all students.

Enrollment space is limited. A registration fee of \$10.00 (per child) and the enrollment/registration form must be submitted before a student is allowed to stay. Pre-K students are

welcomed, but must have an older sibling enrolled, unless they are transported home by a parent.

Transportation is provided by Wells Transportation. **Students enrolled in the AfterSchool Program will not be allowed to catch the 3:15 bus.** AfterSchool participants will be assigned bus routes scheduled to leave at 5:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday. Any student wishing to leave at 3:15 p.m. and who are enrolled in the program must be picked up in a car.

The AfterSchool Program was started during the 2011-2012 school year. Ms. Bernetta Sisco serves as the coordinator for the program. Parents with questions or concerns can reach her at 504.444.1063 or 504.373.6228 during the regular school day. ###



Fannie C. Williams Charter School
Teachers of the Year
2007-2014

Teacher	Grade	Year
Janice Watts	Instructional Coach	2013-14
Lynette Henry	Kindergarten	2012-13
Terri Daigle	4th Grade	2011-12
Angela Goodly	4th Grade	2010-11
Diane Wiltz	3rd Grade	2009-10
Joseph Saulsbury	Instrumental Music	2008-09
Bernetta Sisco	Physical Education	2007-08

Volleyball Team, 2014 - FCWCS's 1st

Mykal Gardner	Jasmine Pierce	Joy Hampton
Sanaia Morris	Raegan Offray	Asia Gains
Amaya Linton	Mya Evans	Kamryn Simon
Amaya Linton	Precious Landry	Jada Richardson
Irene Ramirez		

Coaches: Angelica Fowler & Monique Exposé



Cross Country Running Hard

Our coaching staff—Coach D’Lon Herbert and Coach Terry Green—are developing athletic teams in mass numbers this season. This two person athletic staff has enough to keep twice as many coaches busy. Add to basketball (boys and girls) and flag football, a cross country team (our volleyball team is coached by elementary teachers Angelica Fowler and Monique Exposé).

Only the most serious of runners tackle cross country. It is a sport in which teams or individuals run a race of several miles over open terrain—grass, dirt, or even gravel roads. They run in all types of weather (except thunderstorms).

We’ve had a few students interested in the sport the last two years. **Raymond Joseph and Diamond Smith are the athletes to watch this season,** with several other runners showing great potential.

Like to see them run? You’ve got to get up early to do so. The season is shaping up as follows:

New Orleans Area Elementary
Cross Country
2014-2015

9/6 7:30 a.m. HC/Dominican
Invitational City Park

9/13 7:30 a.m. Mt. Carmel
Invitational City Park

9/20 TBA Rummel-Chapelle
Invitational City Park

9/27 7:30 a.m. St. Matthew
Crusader Classic Levee Batture
(behind LaSalle Landing, Kenner)

10/4 7:30 a.m. CSAL
Invitational-NO Area Elementary
Championship Levee Batture
(behind LaSalle Landing, Kenner)

10/11 7:30 a.m. MMSL
Championship Levee Batture

Flag Football Team Selected

The votes are in and the 2014 version of the Warrior Flag Football Team has been selected by Coaches Terry Green and D’Lon Herbert. The players for this year’s squad are:



Charles Armelin
Kendrick Robertson
Raheem Charles
Tahgene Bennett
Cornelius Meare
Montrell Banks
Charles McNabb
Wade Atlow
Roydell Baham
Raymond Joseph
Mark Kendrick
Terrell Fefie
Austin Jones
Farrell Thompson
Brandon Pitts

The coaches have high expectations for this group of players. They are following last year’s squad (7-1) that were crowned the champs of the Metro Middle School League. See you at the games. ###

Saints Training Camp Coming Back to FCWCS

The NO Saints Training Camp will be returning to our campus on Friday, October 24th.

A big hit with students in grades 3-8 last year, the training camp experience will be part of the PBS Experience, a reward for students following the 4Ps for the first quarter. Students with Responsibility Trackers that average 90 or better for the quarter will be invited to attend. ###

Parents of Physical Education Students in Grades 3-8

Please Note . . .

Is your child enrolled in Physical Education with Coach Herbert or Green? If they are, they are in need of a Physical Education uniform. The unisex uniform consists of a t-shirt and gym shorts. Students will be able to purchase the uniforms from school.

Youth Large - Adult XL (shirt & shorts)

\$20.00

Adult XXL (shirt & shorts)

\$24.00

Adult XXXL (shirt & shorts)

\$26.00

(cash or money orders only, sorry no checks)



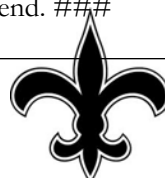
Runners

Girls

Taylor Bennett
Diamond Smith
Angelina Bennett
Kia Landry
Angelina Bennett
Jessica Morris
Kayla Brown

Boys

Raymond Joseph
Tahgene Bennett
Cornelius Meare
Kyidrick Robertson
Montrell Banks





**From the Desk of
Nurse Cheryl
Robichaux, R.N.,
B.S.N.**

September 9, 2014

Welcome back to FCWCS and the new academic year.

I will once again serve as your school nurse. My responsibilities involve the health of all students on campus. Today's schools often have students enrolled with chronic illnesses—diabetes, allergies, asthma,

etc. It is my job to ensure that accommodations are made for those students with physical ailments. School nurses often dispense medications and implement health plans for students who need these types of services. I keep up with immunization records, check the hearing and eye sight of students in our care. We advise parents of ailments that may have gone unnoticed by them. Parents should advise the school of any health issues that their child may have.

Please remember that I only provide first aid. I don't diagnose illnesses, but will note symptoms and notify parents of my observations. Students injured at school will be administered first aid and parents will be notified. Please make sure your contact information is current.

All parents should have received a copy of the school's handbook. Please review page 8 for additional information. ###

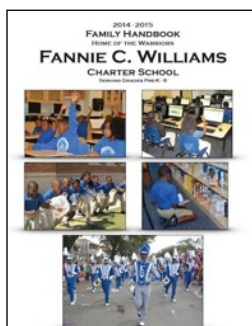
—Nurse C. Robichaux

**Mission
Statement
of
Fannie C.
Williams
Charter
School**



The mission of Fannie C.

Williams School is to achieve the highest academic success through collaboration of staff, parents, and community. ###



Family Handbooks for 2014-2015

were issued at the August 27th Open House! Did you receive your copy? Parents who were unable to attend will be sent a copy via their son or daughter (one copy per family). We hope you will review it and discuss it with your child(ren). Please keep it for the entire academic year. A digital copy can be found at fcwcs.org. ###

If your son or daughter has an emergency at school, could we reach you quickly?

Please keep all contact information up-to-date in the school's Instructional Support Center-ISC (main office). Send any changes to your home address, phone numbers, emergency contacts, etc. to your child's homeroom teacher



**Grandparent's Day
Friday, September 19th**

Warrior Gym * 8:30 a.m.

RSVP (let us know you're coming)

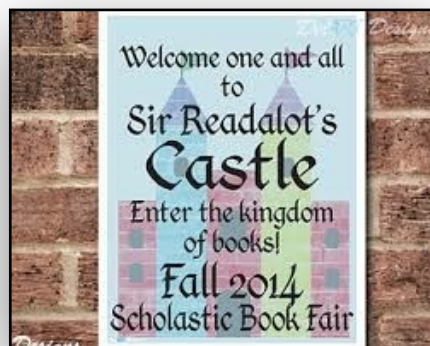
We're looking for all grandparents to join us.

Your grandkids love having you on campus and we do too!



Slow Down!

NOPD has been ticketing drivers in the area near our campus on Bullard. School Zones are **20 mph** from 7 - 9 a.m. and from 2:45 - 4:45 p.m. Cell phone use is also prohibited in school zones.



**Annual Scholastic Fall
Book Fair**

September 15 - 19

FCWCS Library

Flyers will be sent home with book selection and prices!



Attendance Is Required for Learning

FCWCS Staff believes all Warriors can learn, but they must be here to do so! **The school calendar for 2014-2015 has 175 days of instruction.**

Students missing 10 days or more will repeat the grade the next year, regardless of the student's Grade Point Average. The only exception to the attendance regulation shall be extenuating circumstances that are verified by the school's administration (*see pg. 2 of the Family Handbook for additional information.*) ###

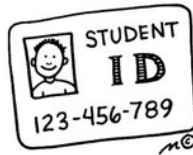
Progress Reports will be issued to students on the following dates: September 15 November 10 January 26 April 20

Report Card Conferences with parents will be held 4 - 6 p.m. on the following dates: October 22 January 7 March 25 May 21 (time TBA). Mark your calendars.



Riding the school bus is a privilege, not a right!

Parents should review the rules and regulations of riding the school bus with their child(ren) in the Family Handbook (*see pages 3, 13, and 20*).



School ID Pictures

September 18th
(in school uniforms)
\$5.00

Needed for school activities
(e.g., field trips)

School Pictures September 18 in school uniform.
Additional information coming soon!

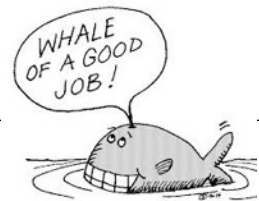


Carpool Safety

In order to ensure the safety of all students, we

are asking all parents to adhere to the following carpool policies:

- The speed limit on campus is 5 mph.
- All students must exit the right side (passenger side) of the vehicle only.
- Ensure your child is fastened in a seat belt until the car comes to a complete stop.
- Put your car in PARK before you allow your child to exit the vehicle.
- Turn down your radio on school property.
- DO NOT PARK in the carpool lane. If you must enter the school, please park on the left in the spots labeled "Low Fuel Emitting Vehicles."
- Smoking is prohibited on campus, even in cars.
- On rainy days, please proceed to the second entrance. Your child will need to exit and proceed to the stairs under the overhang. Please keep a poncho or small umbrella in their backpack. ###



Warriors always follow the 4Ps . . .

They are prompt, polite, prepared, and productive each day.

Did you read this issue of **WARRIOR NEWS**? It was prepared especially for parents and friends of FCWCS! We've got a monthly drawing for a prize for those Warriors whose parents send this coupon (within 2 school days of receiving the **WN**) back after reading these pages for important information about our great school!

Cut this part of the page, fill out the back side (pg. 6) and return it to school to enter the drawing. **SAVE** the rest of the **WN**.

Keep the **WARRIOR NEWS** to stay abreast of FCW Charter's activities for September.



Councilman James Gray (District E) and Principal Batiste (far left) converse during the opening of New Orleans' East Wal-Mart June 11, 2014. Mayor Mitch Landrien pins an American flag on Warrior Dylan's shirt (left).

Coaches Terry Green and D'Lon Herbert (below) with the gym banner honoring our championship flag football team.



Members of the Board of Secondary and Elementary Education (BESE) visit FCWCS during the early days of the 2014-2015 academic year. CAO Terri Williams (front, third from right) hosted their hour long visit.

Teacher-of-the-Year Janice Watts (center) is congratulated by our school's administrators Terri Williams (CAO, left) and Kelly Batiste (CEO/Principal, right). The honor is bestowed upon a staff member by members of the staff. Veteran educator Watts is an Instructional Coach at FCWCS, providing teaching assistance to classroom instructors.



Cut me out and send me back to school within 2 school days. Save this issue to keep abreast of all the good things happening at Fannie C. Williams Charter School.

I've read the September 2014 issue of **WARRIOR NEWS** . . .

PLEASE ENTER MY CHILD IN THE FIRST DRAWING FOR THE 2014-2015 SCHOOL YEAR!

Student's Name _____ Grade _____ Rm. No. _____

please write legibly

Parent's Name _____ Parent's Signature _____





Career Day, 2014. General Manager and President of WWL-TV, Channel 4's Tod Smith (top left) was on campus to participate in our annual 8th Grade Career Day. He's pictured with administrators Williams (left) and Batiste.

Culminating Exercises for Kindergarten students brings a smile to Principal Batiste (2nd top left).

Our Superlatives from the 8th Grade Class of 2014. High school bound. Congratulations.

It's Fall Book Fair time and librarian Karen LeBlanc (bottom left) decorates the display case for the September event.

First day of school, August 11, 2014. Mrs. D. Edmond's second grade class is present and all ready to go!

We're enhancing reading and math skills with the I-Ready program (above). Students in grades 1-8 are given the diagnostic test in the school's two computer labs. Reading and math intervention will be part of our daily learning activities this year.





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*Pssst, Mom, Dad, Grandmom, Paw-Paw, Nanny, etc.
 Looking for a way to get involved at FCWCS?*

Check out the list below for a few suggestions . . .

- Join the P.T.A.
- Attend the quarterly P.T.A. meetings
- Come to our Open House
- Save Box Tops for Education coupons
- Take part in the school's World's Finest Chocolate
- Buy a book or two during our bi-annual book fairs
- Attend report card conferences
- Attend our annual Grandparent's Day Celebration
- Volunteer for the Fall Fest or Spring Bling*
- Check out an athletic event
- Attend Donuts for Dads or Muffins for Moms
- Volunteer to supervise a middle school dance*
- Volunteer to attend a field trip with your child's class*
- Help chaperone the Marching Warriors in a Mardi Gras Parade*
- Cheer the Marching Warriors on at a Mardi Gras Parade!

*Volunteers are required to submit to a background check according to the rules and regulations of RSD.



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Phone:
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We're A Drug-Free School

Our campus is a drug, tobacco, or alcohol free zone. Use of these items while on school grounds can result in suspension or expulsion. The Family Handbook has additional information. ###

We're Seeking Box Tops!

Our school collects educational Box Tops coupons found on many products brought for the home. Please send them to school. Each Box Top has a value of 10 cents. In the last three years, parents have helped us earn over \$1500 for the school's general fund. ###



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Our 1st Fundraiser August 26 - September 26
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