

# WARRIOR NEWS

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## We're Back at Work!



*We're back at work for the start of our 10th year serving the children of New Orleans. We arrived at this location September 4, 2007 as Fannie C. Williams Elementary School. My, how we've grown!*



The school calendar for 2016-2017 reflects 68,648 minutes of instructional time (169.5 days). The state requirement is 63,720 minutes. FCWCS exceeds the state requirement by 4,928 minutes (12 days).

Each day represents almost 7 hours of learning. Students exceeding the state requirement (155.5 days) are subject to repeat the grade, regardless of their Grade Point Average. Poor attendance will result in the school's social worker and possibly the court system becoming involved.

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**N E W** for the 2016-2017 school year . . . parents you can access your child's attendance and grades by going to

<https://services.edgear.net/progress/>



**All students can learn-but they must be present to do so!**

### Consequences for Unexcused Absences

1 or 2 unexcused absences  
3 unexcused absences  
3-4 unexcused absences  
5 or more unexcused absences  
5 or more unexcused absences

parental contact  
warning letter  
parental conference  
referral to Social Worker  
referral to Juvenile Court



The **4Ps** of exemplary **Warrior Behavior** are:  
**P**romptness  
**P**oliteness  
**P**reparedness and  
**P**roductivity! Does your Warrior have these qualities?

**Louisiana State Law mandates compulsory attendance** from ages 7-18 (or once they have enrolled) or until the completion of high school. ###



### Picture from Our Past

Beginning this month, we will take a look back at the events and people who have shaped us during our 10 years as a school. Our first look back depicts our first brass band—Young Warriors Brass Band back in **March 25, 2012**.

They were participating in the first Brass Got Class Competition in Armstrong Park. Under the direction of Thaddeus Petit, the group became a favorite with parents and students, performing often at school and community functions. Band director Dedric Jones leads the group today. ###



### School Enrollment Remains Steady

As of September 8th, 609 students call FCWCS their educational home. 309 families have shown confidence in our mission. We have 315 males and 294 females enrolled. Our students are mostly African American with Hispanic, Asian, and White students adding to the diversity of our campus. ###

### Could we contact you in an emergency?

Please keep your contact information up-to-date. EMS does not like to treat minors if they can not verify parental consent. Please make sure we have your most recent: home address, cell and landline phone numbers, phone #s of two alternatives/relatives, physicians's name and phone number, pertinent medical alert information for your child (are they diabetic, asthmatic, allergic to insects, on medication? - we need to know). ###

**FCWCS Family Handbooks** are on the way . . . Be on the look out for your family's copy of our handbook. Please review the contents with your child(ren) so that everyone understands the behavioral and academic expectations for all Warriors, Pre-K through 8th grade. Makes for a great year! ###



### 1st Quarter Progress Reports Conferences Wednesday, September 14, 2016 4-6 p.m.

Meet your child's teacher(s) and discuss their progress!  
(no After School Program on Wed., Sept. 14th)

### Terry Green, Teacher of the Year

Physical Education Teacher Terry Green has been added to the list of Teacher of the Year for the 2015-2016 school session.

Green, chosen by his peers, has been a member of the FCWCS faculty since 2009. He has taught mathematics and is also noted as the head coach of our award winning flag football and basketball teams. Green is also instrumental in getting staff to eat healthy and exercise.

Congratulations Coach Green on a job well done! ###



### Upcoming Campus Events

<b>September 2016</b>	26	Scholastic Book Fair Begins (1 week)
5 Labor Day (no school)	30	Grandparent's Day Time: TBA
6 After School Prog. Begins (3:30 - 5:15 pm)		<b>October 2016</b>
14 1st Q Progress Reports Conf. 4 - 6 p.m. (no After School)	7-10	Fall Break, No School
14 WFC Candy Sale begins	11	School Resumes
15 Fall Pictures in School Uniform	11-13	1st Q Exams
16 Grandparents' Day, Time: TBA	14	FCWCS Goes Pink (Breast Cancer Awareness)
20 BOD Mtg, 6 pm	14	PBIS Experience, 1st Quarter
	21	2nd Annual Trunk or Treat
	26	Report Cards Issued (cont'd on page 3)



## C.L.A.S.S. (Community Leaders Advocating Student Success), Meet Our Board of Directors

The BOD (Board of Directors) is the governing group for our school. The board consists of the following individuals: Duane Stelly (President), Debra Dean, Al Edwards, Brenda Flint-Minor, Donnyette Love, and Emily Roubion.

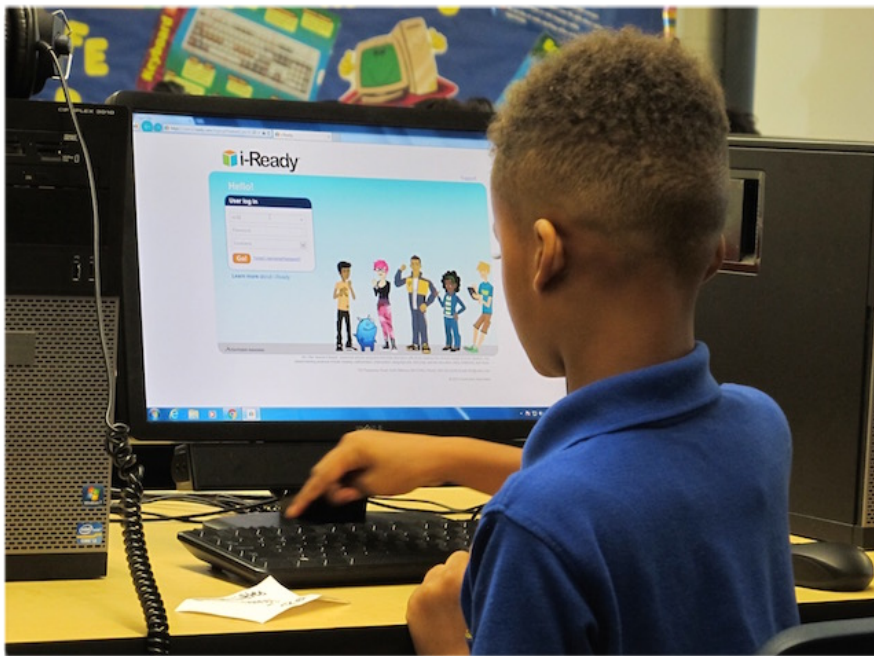
All have ties to the New Orleans East Community. Community Leaders Advocating Student (C.L.A.S.S.) has been

the supervising body since the inception of our school as a charter school since the 2011-2012 academic year.

Their responsibilities include (but are not limited to) setting policy, long range planning, evaluating results, and adopting an annual budget. Our school's administration answers to the BOD.

The BOD meets at FCWCS in public meetings held in the school's cafeteria at 6 pm. The next two meetings are scheduled for September 20th and November 15th at 6 p.m. ###

**Improving Our Reading & Math Skills** means determining what we already know . . .



*A student prepares to log into I-Ready with his unique user id and password. We begin the year accessing what students know in reading and math to determine their levels of achievement.*

*Diagnostic testing allows staff to group students by ability. This allows teachers to provide the intervention needed to bring our scholars' skills up to grade level or beyond.*

## Academic Grading Quarters 2016-2017

1st Quarter	August 15 - October 14
2nd Quarter	October 17 - December 23
3rd Quarter	January 10 - March 17
4th Quarter	March 20 - May 19

## Upcoming Campus Events *(cont'd from pg. 2)*

<b>October 2016</b>	16	iReady D2
28	1st Q Awards Assembly	Celebration
28	Fannie's Annual Scare House	19-20 2nd Q Exams
		22 Holiday Program/Class Parties
<b>November 2016</b>	8	Election Day, NO School
10	Annual High School Night, 5-6:30 pm	23 1/2 day School for Staff and Students
11	Annual Fall Fest	26-30 Holiday Break, NO School
15	C.L.A.S.S. BOD Mtg, 6 pm	
16	2nd Q Progress Conferences, 4-6 pm, NO After School Program today	<b>January 2017</b> 2-6 Holiday Break, NO School
18	iReady Celebration; Warrior Store Open	9 Staff Returns, NO School for pupils
21-25	Thanksgiving Holiday Wk., NO School	10 Students Return from Holiday
28	School Resumes	11 2nd Q Report Cards Iss'd
28-30	iReady D2	13 PBIS Experience; 2nd Q Awards Assembly
<b>December 2016</b>	1-2	iReady D2
8	Santa Pics, 9:30 am	16 MLK, Jr. Birthday, NO School
12-14	ANET 2	27 Warrior Store Open





Parents & Friends of FCWCS

We need your support!  
for our . . .

### Annual World's Finest Chocolate Fund-Raiser

Our fund-raiser will run from . . .

**September 14, 2016 - October 31, 2016**

We will be selling the **\$2.00** boxes of  
**Continental Almonds**  
1 box = 30 items @ \$2 per item = \$60.00

**Half the purchase price of each box sold  
is kept by FCWCS as profit, so every  
order counts! We need every family  
participating in this fund-raiser!!!**

Only 1 box at a time will be given out. No  
additional cases will be handed out until the  
previous box is paid for in full.  
Chocolate can not be returned to the school  
once it has been issued.

*(All payment should be made in Cash or Money Order)*

### Awesome Prizes . . .

#### Early Bird Prize:

**Sell 1 case** (\$60.) before October 1st and your  
Warrior receives a Dress Down Day!

**Sell 2 cases** (\$120.) and your Warrior attends a  
fantastic Pizza Party!

**This year's TOP SELLER will win  
\$200.00 CASH**

*Did you send your Chocolate  
Request Slip back to school? Please  
return to your child's homeroom  
teacher by September 13, 2016!*



Thanks



GRANDPARENTS  
fill the world  
with LOVE

### Grandparents' Day at FCWCS

Our annual celebration of Grandparents will be held on

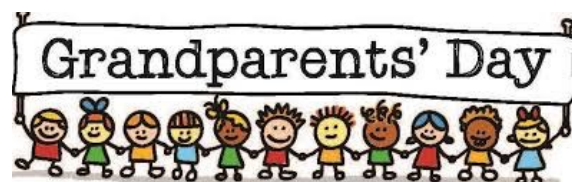
**Friday, September 30, 2016  
12:30 p.m.**

Join us for tea and "light" refreshments.

Please return the RSVP form to your child's classroom teacher by  
Friday, September 23, 2016

We hope to see all our beloved grandparents in attendance!

*(Photo packages are available for purchase)*



**Enrichment Class Is That Something Special  
in Our Day of Learning!**

*A vocal music game with our youngest Warriors and their teachers, Ms. S. Jordan (left) and Mrs. V. Wimberly (right), looks like great fun and eager participation.*





# The Future is Yours

*Where will you attend high school? Make a wise choice with your parents/guardian—plan to attend . . .*

**High School Night,  
November 10, 2016  
5:00 pm - 6:30 pm @ the  
Warrior Café**

## Class of 2021

(8th Graders)

**Are you preparing for May 17, 2017?**

It will be here sooner than you think!!!

(8th Grade Promotional Ceremony)

**Are you doing what it takes in the classroom** to be a participant in the Marching Warriors or the Auxiliary Units? **Will you have the GPA** and the **necessary score** on your **Responsibility Tracker** to finish your season in volleyball, basketball, cross country, or flag football? Are you **setting a good example** for all those coming behind you? Will you get in the high school of your choice?

*"A hint to the wise is sufficient."*

## 2016 Cross Country Meet Schedule

Date	Time	Meet/Place
8/30	4:45 pm	J. Curtis Opener, City Park
9/10	7:30 am	Mt. Carmel, City Park
9/17	7:30 am	Rummel-Chapelle, City Park
10/1	7:30 am	CSAL Invitational, Levee Batture* @ Jefferson Playground
10/8	7:30 am	M.M.S.L.

## 2016 Girls Volleyball Schedule

Date	Time	Opponent
9/8	4 pm	Trist MS Pirates Cove Meraux 70075
9/13	4 pm	Audubon Charter-Home Game
9/20	4 pm	Andrew Jackson 201 8th St. Chal 70043
9/21	4 pm	St. Bernard Home Game
9/24	TBA	Academy of Our Lady Tourney
9/27	4 pm	Belle Chasse Home
10/6	4 pm	Kenner Discovery Home
10/13	4 pm	Morris Jeff NOLA 70119
10/18	4 pm	Hynes, Home
10/20	4 pm	St. Bernard
10/28-29	TBA	Championship

## 2016 6th & 8th Grade Flag Football\*

*(6th grade games start at 4 pm; 8th grade games follow at approx. 4:50 pm)*

Date	Opponent	Location
9/13	Morris Jeff	St. Mary Magdalen**
9/20	Audubon Charter	St. MM
9/27	Hynes Charter	St. MM
9/28	Kenner Discovery	St. MM
10/04	Belle Chasse Academy	St. MM
10/14	J. C. Ellis	Lakeshore Playground***

## The Honorable Ernestine Gray

*has partnered with FCWCS's administration to address attendance concerns at our school. She is pictured addressing parents at our Parents' Orientation Aug. 11th.*



\* All teams make the single elimination Championship Tournament. Seeded by regular season record and played at St. Mary Magdalen School. **6th Grade Division:** October 24-28, 2016  
**8th Grade Division:** November 1-4, 2016.

\*\*St. Mary Magdalen - 6421 W. Metairie Ave., Metairie, LA 70003;

\*\*\*Lakeshore Playground - 1125 Rosa Ave., Metairie, LA 70005



## AGENDAS required for all Middle School Students (Grades 6, 7, & 8)

# \$5.00

Students will write homework assignments and any other important info daily into these planners. It is our way of teaching organization to our middle schoolers before they leave us for high school!

## Fannie C. Williams Charter School School Picture Day Thursday, September 15, 2016



School pictures will be taken in full school uniform!

Picture packets are: \$15, \$20, \$25, & \$35  
please add \$5.00 to your packet selection for a group picture  
(Cash or Money Orders Only)

Flyers were sent home in the Wednesday Warrior folder for Wed., August 31st.  
Did you receive your copy?

## Academic & Behavior Requirements for Participation

FCWCS offers a variety of activities outside the classroom to its student body. We encourage all to participate.

There's the Marching Warriors and Auxiliary Units, flag football, cross country, basketball, volleyball, scouting, and the student council, to name a few. But we must remind students that they are students first—before they are athletes, musicians, dancers, cheerleaders, or school leaders.

These groups are open to students primarily in grades 4-8. This is often the age when some students start to “slack off” academically. Behavior can also become an issue for a minority of pupils. To help maintain academic and behavior standards, Responsibility Trackers have been instituted.

In order for a student to be a part of any extra-curricular activity, they must maintain at least a **75 average** on their responsibility tracker for each quarter. Therefore, if a student is below a 75 average after the first quarter or any subsequent quarter (s)he will be placed on behavior probation.

Probation will allow the student to continue participating in the activity until the next quarter arrives. If the average is still below a 75 after the probationary period has ended, the student will be removed or excluded

from the activity for the remainder of the school year.

Students must also maintain their grades to participate. Students whose grades fall below a **2.0 GPA** (grade point average) will be placed on academic probation. The student has the opportunity to bring their GPA up and retain their membership in the organization or team. If the GPA does not rise after the probationary period, the student will be removed or excluded from the activity for the remainder of the school year.

**Students and parents are reminded that our main purpose is to educate our Warriors.**

Extra-curricular is something “extra” or lagniappe as we say it New Orleans. It is *not* the main reason for being here—but it adds so much more to the experience that is Fannie C. Williams Charter School. Do your best Warriors!  
###



*Participants in athletics and organizations must maintain a 2.0 GPA and a 75 or better on their Responsibility Tracker to remain on the team or a member of the organization.*



Take the family for dinner to . . .

**FCWCS Day**  
**@ Raising Cane's**  
 to help Raise Funds for  
 our school!

**4740 Chef Menteur Hwy.**  
**Chef Menteur @ Louisa St.**  
*(across from Winn-Dixie)*  
**Wednesday, September 28th**  
**all day!**

**Mention Fannie C. Williams**  
**Charter School when ordering**  
*15% (pre-tax) of all sales will be donated directly to our school!*



## Our Annual Scholastic Fall Book Fair 2016

will take place the week of  
**September 26-30**  
 in the Warrior Library

**9 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.**  
**Monday - Friday**

There's something for everybody . . .  
 Check the Book Fair out!!!



### After School Program Underway—Is Your Child Enrolled?

After school care is always a problem  
for working parents.

Parents with students enrolled at  
FCWCS can rely on the After School  
Program here to provide your child  
with quality activities from 3:15 to  
5:15 p.m., Monday through Thursday.  
Students can be involved in sports  
(basketball, cross country, flag  
football), arts & crafts, dance team,  
cheerleading, drill teams, and music).  
Assistance is also given with  
homework for the first 45 minutes of  
the two hour program (parents are  
reminded that they should review

homework to see if it has been  
completed).

A snack is provided also. **A non-  
refundable \$20.00 registration fee  
for each child enrolled is needed.**  
This fee covers the entire school year.

Bus transportation home is provided.  
All students are eligible to attend,  
Pre-K-8, but parents of students in  
Pre-K through 3 must meet them at  
the bus stop. Participants are not  
allowed to ride the 3:15 p.m. bus once  
registered in the After School  
Program.

Application and fee must be  
submitted before your child is allowed  
to stay. ###



Did you read this issue of **WARRIOR NEWS**? It was prepared especially for parents and friends of FCWCS!  
 Fill out the back of this form to enter your scholar in our monthly drawing. **The drawing takes place 2 school days after the distribution of the  
 WN.** The winning Warrior gets to pick a prize out of Mrs. Batiste's treasure chest.

Cut this part of the page, fill out the back side (pg. 8) and return it to school to enter the drawing. **SAVE** the rest of the **WN**.  
 Keep the **WARRIOR NEWS** on hand to stay abreast of FCW Charter's activities for this Fall!







## Wells Transportation 504.469.1277

provides transportation for the Warriors of  
FCWCS! Questions or concerns? Call  
504.469.1277

### 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. ###

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### Immunization can save your child's life!

Are your child's immunizations (shots) up-to-date?  
FREE immunizations available at the nearby locations



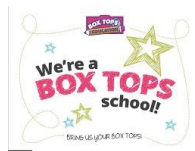
9/7/2016  
**Wal-Mart** 6600 Bullard Ave.  
2p - 6p

9/21  
**Rouse's** 6600  
Franklin Ave.  
2p - 6p

9/14  
**Rouse's** 4500 Tchoupitoulas  
2p - 6p

9/24  
**Wal-Mart** 6600 Bullard Ave.  
10a - 2p

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Please check your grocery products to  
see if they carry these coupons. We  
love Box Tops for Education at  
FCWCS. **Each coupon becomes .10**  
**in our school's finances.** Can you  
send us all you got? We would  
appreciate it! Thanks!!!

Cut me out and send me back to school within 2 school days. Save this issue to keep up with all the great things happening at FCWCS during the month of September. I've read this issue of the **WARRIOR NEWS**. Please enter my child in this month's drawing for **September 2016**.

Student's Name *(please print)* \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Room No. \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's (Guardian's) Name *(please print)* \_\_\_\_\_ Parent's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

