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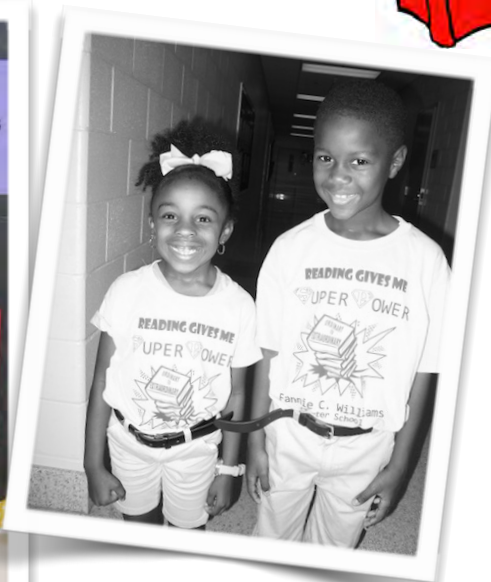
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## Scholars in Yellow T-Shirts—Super Readers, Super Powers!!!



*Scholars in the bright yellow t-shirts are our SUPER READERS possessing SUPER POWERS in reading on or above grade level! Congratulate them!*

Parents/Guardians . . .  
Have you logged into your child's attendance and grades by  
opening your web browser and typing in

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

?????????????  
It's a great way to stay "on top of things" in your child's  
academic life. ###

You should see the **WARRIOR NEWS** in  
color. To do so and also view back issues, visit  
our website . . .

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## Fall Break NO SCHOOL

Fri., October 7th  
&  
Mon., October 10th

*Classes resume on  
Tues., Oct. 11th—  
see you then, on time and  
ready to learn!*

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The **4Ps** of exemplary **Warrior Behavior**  
are:

**P**romptness  
**P**oliteness  
**P**reparedness and  
**P**roductivity! Does your Warrior have these  
qualities?

## Picture from Our Past

Our second picture in our **Picture from Our Past** installment comes from Tuesday, **September 8, 2009**, at the start of our third year as a school.

We were in the modular trailers and in the computer lab in building five, Ms. Smith's room. Students in Computer Literacy and all over the campus attempted to view the message at Fannie C. Williams Elementary. In fact, all Recovery Schools were told to tune in to President Barack Obama's address to school children via the Internet. We were not alone, most of the nation's scholars would be tuning in. However, this was quite

a feat for post-Katrina New Orleans East in 2009. The Internet and sometimes electrical power could be iffy three years removed from Katrina.

The speech was "My Education, My Future." Delivered at 11 a.m., CST, it was a motivational speech to welcome back the school children of America. He urged students to take "personal responsibility for their own education, to set goals, and to not only stay in school but make the most of it".

It was a timely message—as valuable then as it is today, seven years later. ###



## Principal's Message

October 3, 2016

Dear Parents & Guardians,

This marks our 10th year as an educational institution. In our first 10 years, we have been part of the ever changing scene of public education in New Orleans. We first opened our doors on September 4, 2007 to students in grades Pre-K through 6th grade.

During those early months, we developed our culture—how we would "do" school at Fannie C. Williams Elementary. Our mantra became known as our 4Ps—we would strive to develop students who were prompt, polite, prepared, and productive. These were our ideals of exemplary good behavior for all Warriors. We still enforce these concepts in every child who studies on our campus.

We count on parents to "back us up" by stressing the importance of good behavior on the school bus, the campus, and most importantly, in the classroom. Keeping children engaged and learning is not an easy task. It is important that you help us reinforce the 4Ps—promptness, politeness, productivity, and preparedness. They were thought out to maximize behaviors that would enhance the learning experience at our school. These characteristics would also serve our young people well as adults. After all, we are molding them now as youngsters into what we know will be great citizens and adults.

President's Obama's speech in '09, "My Education, My Future" stressed the importance of students learning the importance of responsibility for their own education, to set goals, and to make the most of their schooling was right on target. It is the adults in the lives of students who set them on the right path to making these wise decisions.

We are seeking your help in doing this for all our Warriors. Let's work together to make the best possible for our kids.

*Kelly S. Batiste*  
CEO/Principal

## Report Cards Issued

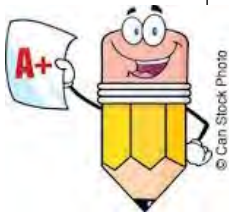
2016-2017

1st Quarter - Oct. 26

2nd Quarter - Jan. 11

3rd Quarter - Mar. 29

4th Quarter - May 17



## School Holidays, 1st Semester

*Parents, please mark your calendars!*

### October 2016

Oct. 7 Fall Break, No School

Oct. 10 Fall Break, No School

### November 2016

Nov. 8 Presidential Election Day, No School

Nov. 21-25 Thanksgiving Holiday, No School

### December 2016

Dec. 23

1/2 Day of School

Dec. 26 - 30

Holiday Break, No

School

### January 2017

Jan. 2 - 9

Holiday Break, No

School

Jan. 16

MLK, Jr. Holiday, No School

## Correction to Sept. story on School Enrollment Remains Steady

As of September 8th, 609 students call FCWCS their educational home. **392** families (not 309 as previously stated) 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. ###

## Academic Grading Quarters 2016-2017

1st Quarter  
2nd Quarter  
3rd Quarter  
4th Quarter

August 15 - October 14  
October 17 - December 23  
January 10 - March 17  
March 20 - May 19





*The Class of 2021 as kindergarteners! These are our oldest scholars on campus this year—8th graders. My time goes by fast . . . “Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it.” A proverb that is so true.*



**Class of 2021, Are You Preparing for these Important Dates?** *Mark your calendars*

Parents and students of the Class of 2021, please mark your calendars with these important dates.

**November 5** - High School Night, 5 - 6:30 pm; **April 18** - LEAP Testing; **April 25** - End of Course Testing; **May 4&5** - 8th Grade Exams; **May 12** - 8th Grade Promotional Ceremony. ###

**Another Picture from Our Past**

We couldn't resist running another picture from our past after finding this one in our archives!

Would you believe these innocent faces hail from May 21, 2009 and are now members of the 8th grade class? One or two have left—but look closely, do you recognize anyone in this group celebrating their kindergarten promotion?

Their teacher was Ms. Parker (if memory serves me correctly). President Obama was in his first term of office, Ray Naquin was Mayor of New Orleans, we were holding classes in the modular buildings, Jamie Foxx, featuring T-Pain, was hot on the radio with “Blame It.” Beyonce was rising on the charts with “Single Ladies (Put A Ring On It).” Michael Jackson was preparing for a world tour and our friends pictured on left were 5 or 6 years old! Seems like only yesterday. ###

**Preparation for High School and the Future Begins by . . .**

choosing the correct school for you! Will it be Karr, McDonogh No. 35, Lake Area, Landry-Walker, Warren Easton, McMain, St. Augustine, St. Mary's, Sci-Academy, Sophie Wright, Martin L. King, Jr., International High School, etc.? Nobody can choose but

you! Get a head start by attending our **6th Annual High School Night** in the Warrior Café on Thursday, November 10th for one-stop shopping (Time: 5-6:30 pm). Definitely worth the time and effort. Don't miss it! ###



*It's Decision-Making Time! Data Manager Mrs. B. Lewis (left) and Principal Mrs. K. Batiste (right) explain the ins and outs of the One App process to our 8th Grade Warrior and her mother. FCWCS will hold its 6th Annual High School Night for 8th Graders and their parents on November 10, 2016. About a dozen high schools usually attend, giving students an opportunity to ask questions and make wise decisions.*



*We're always trying to motivate. Our annual LEAP Pep Rally takes place each Spring to inspire enthusiasm for doing our best on the state's standardized testing. Our 8th graders from the Class of 2020 seem to be giving it their all with their sign declaring “. . . hard work pays off.”*



A high school diploma in four years is our goal!



I LOVE  
READING



Check out the sights from our recent book fair. There's no other school encouraging literacy like Fannie C.!

## Semi-Annual Scholastic Book Fair Encourages Reading

Librarian LeBlanc & Art Teacher Britt (with help from some Warrior artists) go "the extra mile" to present our "Bookaneers" the joy of reading

**Week of September 26 - 30, 2016 . . .**

The yearly fall book fair is always eagerly anticipated by students and staff. Librarian LeBlanc always turns the Warrior library into a book lovers dream . . . props, decorations—all worthy of a major retail book store. Teachers get into the spirit of things showing up as pirates or privateers. We put fun into book shopping!!! ###



Scenes from our Book Fair – Barbers from Asepsis Barber Shop @ 8480 Morrison Rd., Suite B collected over \$75.00 in their shop for our students needing help to purchase books. These generous guys are pictured (above)

with Dean of Students Sisco (left) and 2nd Grade Teacher Ms. W. Petty (second from right), mother of one our "benefactors." Thanks guys!



Barbers again to the rescue. Neighboring barbers from Case Closed at 5941 Bullard Ave., #5 (left) also "passed the bat" for our scholars. We appreciate our neighbors aiding Warriors toward reading literacy.





## Annual Grandparents' Day, Always A Great Time!

*Committee encourages all grandparents and grandparent-figures to show up and out—and they always do!!!*



**Friday, September 30th – Grandparents hold our hand for awhile and hold our heart forever . . .**

Each September we invite grandparents to spend a some time with us.

Scores of our grandparents arrive early on campus to secure a good seat. They may have just seen us yesterday or an hour or two ago, but they greet us as if it has been months since our last visit. They always enjoy their visit at FCWCS—we entertain, they smile and grin. We always know how important we are in their lives by the smiles on their faces as they engage us in conversation.

Of course the visit to school isn't complete without a trip to the Warrior Library and this year's "Bookaneer," our Annual Fall Book Fair. Grandparents' Day and the Book Fair always seem to meet on our school's calendar. Hmmmm. Grandparents always take us shopping—they understand the importance of a good book to our education.

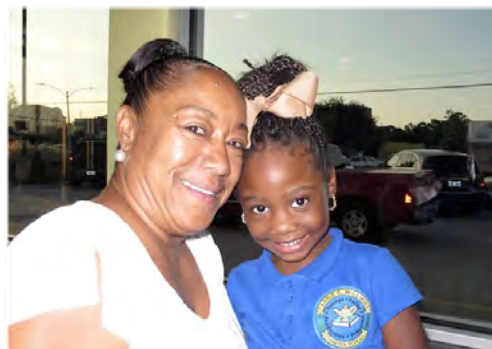
Thanks grandparents for always being there for us! ###





## Raising Cane's Helps Us Raise Funds for All Those Extras Needed

*Warriors came out in scores to our first Raising Cane's Family Night at the Chef & Louisa Location, Wed., Sept. 28th*



### Hey Warriors!

We raised a little more than \$300.00 at our Raising Cane's Family Night Fundraiser. The \$\$\$ will be used to pay for our I-Ready celebrations. Missed out on the fun? We're doing it again in the Spring! See you then.

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**We love taking pictures and sharing them with our parents and guardians!**

*Mrs. Calhoun, Mrs. Jones, and Ms. Carter are teaching life skills to their students by waiting to board a RTA bus down the street from our school (left). The group is headed to the New Orleans East Branch of the NOPL. Looks like fun!*

*"Lift Every Voice and Sing" . . . members of the Warrior Voices (lower left) start up the annual Grandparents' Day Program on September 30th. Sounding good Warriors and Ms. Jordan!*

*Always looking to improve (below). Members of the Leadership Team (Ms. Watts, Mrs. Taylor-Allen, Ms. T. Williams, and Mrs. Batiste) listen attentively as members of UnboundED makes recommendations on improving instruction. UnboundED is an educational nonprofit organization that aids schools in meeting the requirements of the curriculum known as EngageNY. They were on campus September 21st.*

*Having fun with Mrs. Barbré at a volleyball home game is always a treat for lower elementary students (bottom pic).*



*It's always great to see a kid working hard and with a smile on her face (above). This happy young lady is in Mrs. Grey's class.*



*CAO Williams wears her pirate hat in honor of our Annual Fall Book Fair September 26-30.*







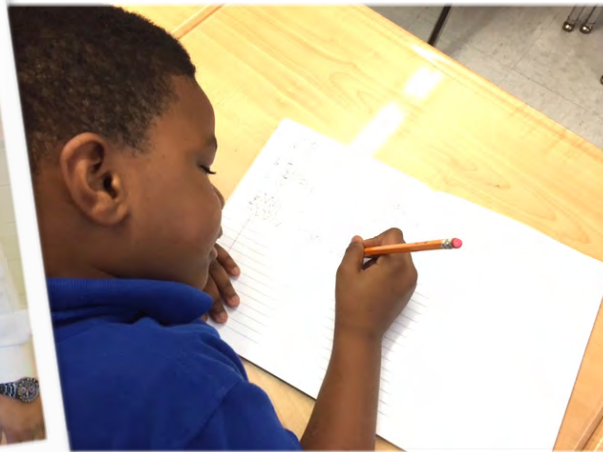
Hard at work Pre-K students are working on their reading skills on I-Pads (right).

Mr. & Mrs. Dedric Jones and Grandmother Varnado (below) await the birth of the newest addition to their family. She arrived September 26th.



Reading, writing, and arithmetic are skills to master in your early years at FCWCS (lower right).

Small group instruction is the way to go with Paraprofessional Ms. L. Kelly (below).



Mrs. Kiamco (right) spends the morning reviewing numbers and letters with one of students.



from the running shoes of Coach Dana Williams . . .

September 23, 2016

We are super excited to launch the **Girls on the Run** program here at Fannie C!!! This program is open to all 3rd grade girls.

Girls will meet Monday and Wednesday beginning September 26, 2016. The program focuses on inspiring girls to be joyful, healthy, and confident, using a fun experienced-based curriculum, which creatively integrates running!!!

All participating girls will run a 5K on Saturday, December 3, 2016 at Audubon Park!

“Girls on the Run is so much fun!”

Dana Clark-Williams  
Health & Physical Ed. Instructor  
Head Cross Country Coach

###



Majorettes (above) take part in their first performance of the year for Grandparents' Day. Job well done!





**from the desk of Nurse Robichaux,  
R.N., B.S.N.**

Our school nurse—Cheryl Robichaux—is back for another year of tlc (tender loving care).

We share Nurse Robichaux with another school—she is present on campus Tuesday, Thursday, and every other Friday. Parents are advised that Nurse Robichaux will provide first aid only. She does not diagnose illness, but will inform you of her observations concerning your child's health.

Nurse Robichaux will be the first to tell you that kids in good health make the best students! Her major responsibilities are emergency care, providing care for students who become ill at school, dispensing medication according to the school's Board of Directors' and the state's guidelines, providing health screenings, and maintaining immunization records.

When nurse is not on campus another staff member has been designated to provide first aid and to contact parents.

Parents are asked to **keep all students diagnosed with or suspected of having contagious or infectious diseases at home. Schools are not required or intended to keep ill children for parents.** Please refer to the school's Family Handbook for additional information regarding this subject (see pages 7 & 8).

Also, parents are asked not to allow pupils to bring any medication (including over-the-counter and or prescribed) at any time to school, unless permission has been granted by the school's administration (see pages 7 & 8 for the manner in which we handle students on medication at school).

We should also be advised of students with **food allergies**. The nurse, the classroom teacher, and/or the school's administration should be advised immediately of this health concern. Please send a written note regarding your concerns.

—Nurse C. Robichaux



FCWCS abides by the **Child Abuse Prevention, Adoption, and Family Services Act.**

**The faculty and staff are required by Louisiana law to report any cases of abuse or neglect we witness or suspect.**



**BULLYING** is not tolerated on our campus!

We take it very seriously at FCWCS!!!

Respect for others is a cornerstone of a great school. We teach the Golden Rule (*Do unto others as you would have them do unto you*). **Students who prey on others will be subjected to disciplinary action.**

Students and parents it is your responsibility to inform the school's Deans of Students (Ms. Sisco or Mrs. Daigle) immediately of any problems or concerns you are having in this area. Refer to the Family Handbook (pg. 3) for additional info.

**Upcoming Campus Events**

**October 2016**

- 5 - 1st Quarter Study Guides Issued
- 7, 8, 9, 10 - Fall Break, NO SCHOOL
- 11, 12, 13 - 1st Quarter Exams
- 14 - End of 1st Quarter (44 days)
- 14 - FCWCS Goes Pink (Breast Cancer)
- 21 - 2nd Annual Trunk or Treat
- 26 - Report Cards Issued
- 28 - 1st Quarter Awards Assembly
- 28 - Fannie's Scare House

**November 2016**

- 8 - Presidential Election Day, NO SCHOOL
- 10 - High School Night, 5 - 6:30 pm
- 11 - Annual Fall Festival
- 15 - C.L.A.S.S. Board of Directors Mtg, 6 pm
- 16 - 2nd Quarter Progress Conference 4 -6 pm  
NO After School
- 21 through 25 - Thanksgiving Holiday, NO SCHOOL, staff and students

**December 2016**

- 8 - Santa Pictures, Time: 9: 30 am
- 19 & 20 - 2nd Quarter Exams
- 22 - Holiday Program/Class Parties
- 23 - .5 day for Staff & Students
- 23 - End of 2nd Quarter (41.5 days)

**January 2017**

- 2 through 6 - Holiday Break, NO SCHOOL
- 9 - Staff Returns from Holidays, NO SCHOOL for students
- 10 - Students return from Holiday Break



## HomeworkLouisiana . . .

Can assist you and your child with the following:

**Adults** - resumé, cover letter assistance, interview preparation, online applications, career resources;

**Students** - LIVE Homework Help for students in Grades Kindergarten through basic college level courses;

**Subjects** - Math, Science, Social Studies, English.

All services can be reached from a Louisiana public library, from a home computer or from a mobile device. Traveling out of state? Just access using your library card. ###

## HomeworkLouisiana

**Homework giving your scholar the blues? Are you seeking job information?**

Visit the State of Louisiana's free online tutoring, job search assistance and academic and career resources website for all the assistance you and your scholar need! Visit the website

[www.HomeworkLA.org](http://www.HomeworkLA.org)



## Hall Siblings Win First WN Drawing for 2016-2017

Families who have been a member of the "Fannie Family" for a while are familiar with the monthly drawing held for families who have read the newsletter **WARRIOR NEWS**.

The newsletter goes out eight times a year—once a month, with a double issue for November & December. We print up more than 400 copies to accommodate the 390 plus families enrolled, with a few extra for the office counter for visitors.

Our mission is to keep our parents informed about the happenings on campus and to provide a connection from your school to your home. We hope we are achieving this goal.

To encourage readership and to let us know you did receive your issue, we have a monthly drawing. Students are encouraged to return the entry form within two days of receiving the **WN**. A drawing is held in the main office and the winner is announced over the PA system. Parents with more than one child enrolled may put all the siblings' names on the form. Winners are announced during the morning announcements.

September's winners are the Hall Siblings—Byron, Da'ron, and Darvell. Their mother took the time and effort to read the **WN** for September. Thank-you.

###



**Presidential Election is Tues., Nov. 8th 6 am - 8 pm**  
(picture ID needed)

Are you registered?  
The deadline is Oct. 11th. Early voting is Oct. 25th- Nov. 1st.

**NO SCHOOL Tues., Nov. 8th**

## Family Handbook Issued

The Warrior Family Handbook was sent home in the Wednesday Folder, September 14th.

Did your family receive it's copy? Check that book bag and/or the Wednesday Folder for your copy. A digital copy is also available on the school's website at

[fcwcs.org](http://fcwcs.org)

**After School Program** is up and running . . . Is your child enrolled? There's a few spots still available.

Child must be enrolled with application and \$20.00 (non-refundable fee) to stay.

**Who:** Registered students, Pre-K - 8th Grade

**When:** Monday - Thursday, 3:15 pm - 5:15 pm

**Activities:** Tutoring, athletics, art, dance, music, homework assistance

**Transportation:** Yellow school bus at 5:15 pm

**Questions:** Ms. B. Sisco has the answers! 504.444.1063. ###

## Progress Report Conferences

4 pm - 6 pm

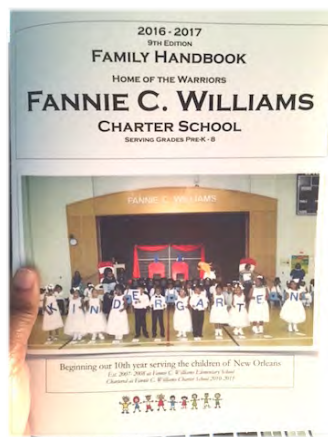
(no After School Program on these dates)

Sept. 14 1st Q

Nov. 16 2nd Q

Feb. 8 3rd Q

Mar. 29 4th Q



Family Handbook, 9th ed., was sent home Sept. 14th. Did you receive your copy? Online copy available on our website.







## Volleyball Home Action . . .



*Scenes from September 13th & September 21st competition at the Warrior Gym. Action is against Audubon Charter on extreme left; second pic is against St. Bernard. the St. Bernard came had some great serving by Warriors. However, both ended in 2-0 defeats. Keep trying ladies!*

## Warrior Flag Football

6th &amp; 8th Grades

4 pm @ St. Mary Magdalen, Metairie\*

*(Grade 8 follows immediately)*

Coach Terry Green

10/04	Belle Chasse Academy	St. MM
10/14	JC Ellis	Lakeshore Playground



## Warrior Cross Country

*Season winding down, but we're still running like it just started! Check us out . . .*

Coach Dana Clark-Williams

10/01	7:30 am	CSAL Invitational on the LEVEE Batture at Jefferson Playground
10/08	7:30 am	MMSL Championship on the Levee Batture at Jefferson Playground



## Warrior Girls Volleyball 4 pm

Coaches Candace Cormier &amp; Yiesha McFarland

*We're a young team with a "deep" bench . . . October is busy for us. Don't miss checking us out this season.*

10/6	Kenner Discovery	HOME
10/13	Morris Jeff	@ Jeff
10/18	Hynes	HOME
10/20	St. Bernard	@ St. B
10/28-29	TBA - Girls Championship	601 Avenue C, Marrero, LA 70072

## Flag Football Playoffs . . .

\* 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

## Did you know . . .

In our nine years as a school, we have won two Metro Middle School ????? Championships in Flag Football and one ????? in Boys' Basketball?

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. 12) 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!



## AGENDAS

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Students  
(Grades 6, 7, & 8)

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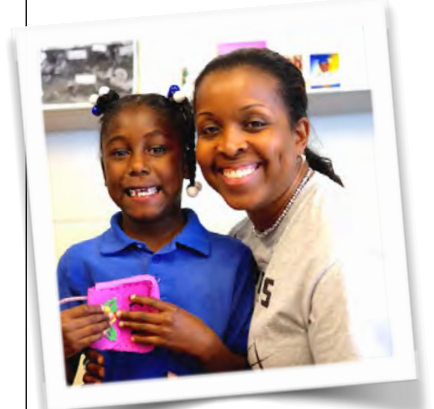
## Wells Transportation



504.469.1277

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

**We are Fannie C.!**  
*A great place to learn & grow!*



## 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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**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 **October 2016**.

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

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

