

WARRIOR NEWS

FANNIE C. WILLIAMS CHARTER SCHOOL

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During the month of May not so long ago (pictures on right) . . . Scenes from Kindergarten Spirit Week, 2010–A Day at City Park and PJ Day with Mrs. Parker.



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@ASSOF 2021

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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 |

FCWCS Grading Scale

| A = 93 - 100 | B = 85 - 92 | C = 75 - 84 |
|--------------|-------------|-------------|
| D = 70 - 74 | F = 60 - 69 | |
| | | |

4th & 8th Graders . . .

Will you be ready for the 2017-2018 school year?



Fannie C. Williams Charter School is offering a six week summer enrichment program for current 4th and 8th grade students! Students will be invited

based on iReady data and teacher recommendations

- When: Tuesday, May 22nd Thursday, June
 29th (no school on Memorial Day, Monday, May 29th)
 7:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m. (Classes will be held
 Monday Thursday, no classes on Fridays)
- FREE breakfast & lunch will be provided
- Transportation via school bus to & from FCWCS

Invitations have been sent home . . . Did you return your child's permission slip?

What does the * mean next to the names from the Class of 2021? These are scholars who entered FCW as Pre-K students!



Thanks to all parents for entrusting your child with us, especially the nine with the * next to their names on left!

Principal's Message

May 10, 2017

Parents,

We're putting the finishing "touches" on the 2016-2017 school year.

When we opened Fannie C. Williams Elementary for the 2007-2008 academic year, we could not have envisioned the people and events that have impacted our students and staff here. Wow!

It's been an eventful ten years, to say the least. We are sending off our eighth 8th Grade Class, as we also promote our 10th Pre-K and Kindergarten Classes. That's a lot of Warrior scholars.

Please continue to read the **WARRIOR NEWS** and other correspondence that is sent home regarding our school community.

There will be several summer enrichment programs for our students on campus. Academic, athletics, art, and music will be available for students enrolled. Those students selected by their teachers (current 4th and 8th graders) to the academic camp should consider their invite mandatory.

Camp will begin on May 22nd and will end on June 29th. On May 29th, the summer program will be closed for Memorial Day.

This issue of the **WN** has a calendar of the basic holidays that we anticipate will be in place for the 2017-2018 school year. The final Wednesday Folder will contain the school supply list info. The list will also appear on the school's website (fcwcs.org) in a few weeks.

The new school year will begin on Monday, August 14, 2017 for students in grades 1 through 8. Pre-K and Kindergarten students will begin their year one week later on Monday, August 21st.

Have a GREAT Summer! Take good care of our scholars. See you in August!

Kelly S. Batiste CEO/Principal



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

Parents, Guardians: Did you know that . . .

The measles is an acute and highly contagious disease caused by a virus. Parents usually notice an outbreak of small red spots on the skin. Schoolage children are mostly like to catch the measles, but adults can also be infected.

Measles are transmitted by droplets from the nose, mouth or throat of infected persons. There was a period of time that children would catch the measles, mumps, and chicken pox before getting out of elementary school. We don't see too many cases today because most children receive vaccines that curtail the spread of these diseases once known as childhood diseases.

Along with vaccines for polio and mumps, the measles vaccine was considered a triumph for public health when it premiered in 1968. Vaccinations led to the elimination of measles in the U.S. and in all of the Americas (North, Central, and South) by 2002.

However, we are seeing a climb again in the number of measles cases around the world and in the USA. Travel has caused many who are not vaccinated to enter the USA and again spread the disease. Vaccinations rates in the USA has remained steady, but there are some communities that do not believe in these inoculations—the Amish community in Ohio and some suburbs in California. These groups often opt out, making them prime candidates for the virus. Complications can arise. Children can get pneumonia, for example, from the measles. As many as one out of every 20 children with measles is subject to get pneumonia that can result in death

Has your child(ren) received all their immunizations? The summer is a great time to take care of these health concerns. Visit the Greater New Orleans Immunization Network for information regarding the Care Mobile (www.GNOshots4kids.com). —Cheryl Robichaux, Nurse ####







8th Graders, your special culminating activities made for a great send-off! Thanks to Dean Daigle, Counselor Edmond, your teachers and all the staff who ensured you had a fine farewell from Warrior Land! Be sure to say thank you when you see them!!!

April 26th

Field Trip to Avery Island, LA

May 8th

Service Day

May 9th

Girl Talk & Silverback Programs

May 10th

Career Day

May 11th

Sip & Paint Party

May 12th

Culminating Exercises @ FCWCS

Upcoming School Events

Mark Your Calendars!

2016-2017

May 8 - 12

Kindergarten and 8th Grade Spirit Week

May 8 - 9

4th Quarter Exams

May 10

Pre-K End of Year Celebration

May 11

Kindergarten Promotional Exercises

May 12

8th Grade Promotional Activity

May 15

7th Grade Field Trip to Global Wildlife

May 17

Awards Assembly

May 17

Report Cards Issued

May 18

Students' Last Day

May 19

Staff's Last Day

May 22

4th & 8th Grade Summer Remediation Begins; Band & Marching Warriors Camp and

FCWCS Art Camp Begins

May 29

Memorial Day, No Summer Enrichment Classes

May 30

Summer Enrichment Resumes

June 29

Summer Remediation Ends

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2017-2018

Proposed School Calendar

August 3

1st Day for Staff

August 14

1st Day for Students (Grades 1-8)

August 21

1st Day for Students (Pre-K & Kindergarten)

September 4

Labor Day, NO SCHOOL

September 28 -29

Fall Break, NO SCHOOL

October 2

Fall Break NO SCHOOL

November 20 - 24

Thanksgiving Break, NO SCHOOL

December 22

Staff Records Day, NO SCHOOL for Students

December 25-29

Holiday Break, NO SCHOOL

January 8

School Resumes for Staff and Students

January 15

MLK Holiday, NO SCHOOL

February 9-16

Mardi Gras Break, NO SCHOOL

March 30

Good Friday, NO SCHOOL

April 2-6

Spring Break, NO SCHOOL

May 16

Last Day for Students

May 17

Last Day for Staff ###

Ticorland Veals . . .

was able to select a prize out of Mrs.

Batiste's Treasure Chest because his

mother took the time to read the

April issue of the

WARRIOR NEWS!

The editor and publisher of this

newsletter appreciates your interest in what's happening on our campus. Thank you for following the school news on these pages!

There's no contest for this last issue of the 2016-2017 school year. But,

we will return in August! See you

then.

-T. Smith, Editor

11 Educators Reach 10 Year Mark

This school year marks the 10th Anniversary for FCWCS. Conceived by the Recovery School District during the 2007-2008 school year on the site of the former Fannie C. Williams, our school now serves as a Pre-K through 8th grade students.

There are 11 staff members who hail from that original group-housed in white trailers in the back of the present site. Members of the staff who have reached the decade mark at FCWCS are as follows:

Kelly S. Batiste (Principal/CEO); Gretchen Johnson (Admn. Assistant); Terry Smith

(Computer Lit, WN Editor); Lvnda McCrav

(Speech Pathologist); Phillip Britt (Visual Art); Bernetta Sisco (Dean of Students, former Phy. Ed. teacher); Deidre Barnett (Reading Interventionist, Test Coordinator); Janice Watts (Instructional Coach); Ashlyn Williams (1st Grade Teacher); Sharnell Theard (1st Grade Teacher and former Paraprofessional); and Cheryl Robichaux (School Nurse).

In today's workplace, the average worker stays in a job 4.6 years. Apparently this group has staying power! Congratulations for your commitment to the children of FCWCS. ###



Thomas Chosen Cox **Inspirational Hero**

Fannie's Inspirational Hero for 2017

This award celebrates students who have overcome challenges in life to serve as an inspiration to their teachers, administrators and fellow students.

Inspiration Heroes, chosen from thousands of students to be honored. Students hailed from Orleans, Jefferson, St. Charles, and St. Bernard Parishes.

Cox presented the students with an engraved medal and certificates of honor.

Congratulations Nicholas! You deserve the acknowledgement!

McCray's Retirement

The WN has been notified that our school's speech pathologist, Mrs. Lynda McCray, will be retiring at the close of this school vear.

Mrs. McCray has accumulated 36 years assessing and correcting speech disorders in children. Ten of those vears have been here at FCWCS.

We wish her the best and many years of good health and happiness. ###





FCWCS. Congratulations Nick for a job well done! Photo by B. Castille

Just where will our 8th graders attend high school next year as freshmen? Here's their choices below in order of popularity and acceptance . . .

- McDonogh No 35
- Sci Academy (tie for 1) 1.
- Livingston
- 3. Karr
- 3. Lake Area
- 3. Einstein (tie for 3)
- 4. Easton
- Landry/Walker
- 4. MLK, Jr.
- McMain
- 4. International High (tie for 4)



Tennis Team Highlights

This year FCWCS entered its first boys/ girls tennis teams into the Metro Middle School League.

The Tennis Team competed in a total of 10 regular season matches against St. Dominic, Keho-France, St. Rita, St. Katherine, and Belle Chasse. Of the 10 matches, the Warriors took six sets. The Warriors made it to the finals, where they were narrowly defeated in the second round of play. Congratulations to the 2017 Team! Job well done!

-Coach Williams

1st Tennis Team, 2017 Girls

India Davis Angela Williams Carissa Washington Geor'nae Baham Chelesy Simmons

Boys

Lester Bejarno Perry Dickens Brian Turner Rely Bejarano Simion Washington Jakari O'Conner Jamaal Simmons Courtney Williams Jayden Williams (Mgr.)

Nicholas Thomas was chosen as by Cox Communications. This marks Cox's 25th year sponsoring the award. The presentation took place on Tuesday, April 25th at the Pontchartrain Center in Kenner.

Nicholas was one of 124 area

-Mrs. B. Castille



"Friendship . . . is not something you learn in school. But if you haven't learned the meaning of friendship, you really haven't learned anything."

-Muhammed Ali

Great websites for elementary scholars . . . Websites Worth the Visit

www.mathplayground.com www.funbrain.com www.xtramath.org www.coolmath.com www.tumblebooks.com www.timeforkids.com/TFK/ www.abcya.com www.pbskids.org www.seussville.com www.sesamestreet.org www.crayola.com www.starfall.com www.howstuffworks.com www.kids.nationalgeographic.com www.sikids.com www.boyslife.org www.sciencenewsforstudents.org www.scholastic.com www.exploratorium.edu www.loc.gov www.brainpop.com www.arkive.org www.cbc.ca www.highlightskids.com www.funology.com www.whyville.net nwf.org



Thank-you **Raising Cane's** *of* 4740 Chef Menteur Highway

Chillin' in Gentilly
for your assistance with our
2016-2017
I-Ready Celebration•8th Grade Career Day•
FCWCS Raising Cane's Night•STEAM Night•
and Teacher Appreciation Week!



BOOKS ARE EXPENSIVE

Parents-

Are there any FCWCS textbooks lying around your house? Please send them back home (to school) immediately!

We're going to need them next year.

Thank you!

-The Administration



We're proposing changes on how school supplies are purchased for students in Grades 5-8. Read the list carefully when you receive it! -Dean T. Daigle

Read that School Supply List Carefully

Parents,

Please read the School Supply List carefully and avoid purchasing the following items: mechanical/led pencils, ball point pens, permanent markers, pencil sharpeners to bring to school. These items are often used to deface school property.

Students will need their pencils sharpened, but we ask that the sharpeners remain at home.

We appreciate your assistance in keeping our campus neat and clean by not purchasing items that are not needed and or problematic.

-The Administration ###





School Uniform Remains the Same

The school uniform will remain the same as the current year, according to Principals Batiste and Williams.

Parents are asked to send students to school on day one (August 14 & August 21) in full school uniform. Please refer to the school's website for specifics. ###

Registering a new student to our school or an 8th grader in high school?

Proof of Residency Documents

Remember to bring the necessary documents to complete the enrollment to the school's main office. The Data Manager will be looking for any of the following to verify your address:

- Utility Bill
- Cable Bill
- Lease Agreement
- Sewerage & Water Board Bill
- State of Louisiana Award Docs

Documents must contain a physical address, no P.O. Box addresses please!

The 2017-2018 School Year Begins Monday, August 14 for Grades 1-8

Pre-K and Kindergarten return Aug. 21

We need all Warriors back, ready to begin the new school year on Monday, August 14th (grades 1-8) and Monday, August 21st (Pre-K and Kindergarten).

The final Wednesday Warrior Folder contains the list of supplies needed for the new school year. The list can also be viewed on the school's website (fcwcs.org).

Parents of our youngest scholars— Pre-K and Kindergarten—are reminded that they **cannot** attend school until August 21st, one week after the older students. Please do not send them to school with their older siblings the week of August 14th.

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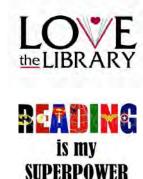
Every School Day Counts—make sure your Warrior is present and accounted for Day One!



New Orleans East Regional Library 5641 Read Blvd. 504.596.0200

Hours

1 - 5 pm Sun 10 am - 8 pm M, T, W, and Th 10 am - 5 pm Fri & Sa



Hey Parents and Warriors . . .

There is always something meaningful and exciting happening at the New Orleans Public Library and its always FREE!

What can you do at the library for FREE?

- •borrow a book or two or three
- •use a computer and access the Internet
- •borrow music CDs
- •borrow movies on DVDs
- •join the Summer Reading Program
- •borrow an i-Pad
- •study to become a United States citizen (Saturdays at 10 am 12 pm at the Rosa F. Keller Library and Community Ctr.)
- •improve your computer skills (Mondays & Thursdays 10 am 11:30 am at the Main Branch)
- •acquire basic computer training (Thursdays 11 am 1 pm at the Alvar Branch)
- •play Xbox Games (Fridays 3 pm 4:30 pm at the Main Branch)
- •learn to play Chess with other teens and adults (Saturdays 1 pm 4 pm at the Main Library)
- •use the services of a Notary Public (Wednesdays 6 pm 7 pm, Saturdays 10 am 10:45 am at the Rosa Keller Library). Call ahead to ensure the notary will be available that day, 504.596.2660

Visit the New Orleans Public Library website for additional services (nolalibrary.org). ###

FCWCS, A Fit NOLA School

(fit.nola.gov)

Coach Dana Williams recently attended the Fit NOLA Designation Ceremony for FCWCS. We have been designated a SILVER school.

Fit NOLA is a partnership between the City of New Orleans and local organizations/schools, working together to create a healthier city by promoting physical activity and improved nutrition. The goal is to win the battle against obesity and create a fitter city, according to the organization's website.

The New Orleans Health Department and the Fit NOLA partnership is pleased that the school has taken on the role in creating a culture of good healthy practices in our school. Fit NOLA has over 200 non-profit organizations, schools, direct-service providers, businesses, and community members attempting to influence those within their racks with a healthier lifestyle.

Our school will hopefully serve as a model for families and community members to follow. We hope to lead the efforts to keep students and staff healthy. ###









Class Superlatives

How will Warriors remember their classmates? The list below is the Class of 2021 Superlatives Ballot, each category chosen by popular vote . . . And the winners are:

Most Athletic – Kyren Bowman

Most Witty (Clever) – Byron Hall

The Daydream Award – Gabriel Moore

Best Dressed – Charles Hill & Christin Martin

The Lawyer (Always has an excuse) – Mya Evans

Most Reliable (Can always count on) – Javaris Bee

The Quiet as a Mouse Award – Jamil Bovia

Sleepy Head Award – Donnell Johnson

The Tardy for the Party Award – D'Shante James

Potty Award (Always got to go . . .) – Gabrielle Jack

Most Studious (Steady attention & effort) – Byron Hall

Most Likely to Succeed – Byron Hall & Kayla Manning

Drama King - Obinna Emukah

Drama Queen – Aquarius Williams

Most Courteous – Nicholas Thomas & Kayla Manning

Class Clown – Gabriel Sparks

Most Popular – Kyren Bowman & Raven Washington

School Spirit Award - Kayla Manning





Donuts with Dad March 24th @ 9 am

More than 200 dads and father-figures showed up at our annual event to celebrate the joys of fatherhood. Our Warriors enjoyed their visit to campus!



Muffins with Mom April 28th @ 9 am

About 225 moms visited our campus for the 9th annual celebration of mothers at FCWCS. Just as the dads the month before, their visit is one of the highlights of our school year. Thanks to moms and dads for all you do.















FCWCS Photo Album











Teacher of the Year, 2015-2016 Terry Green, Physical Education (above).









S.T.E.A.M.

(Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math) is alive and well on campus (above).









FCWCS Photo Album

There's nothing to compare to your 8th Grade Year at FANNIE! Those of us in the know realize that you will be starting over again next year . . . But until then, it's field trips to Avery Island, luncheons, paint parties, guest speakers, and of course school work and tests.

Avery Island, LA Photo by Dean Daigle









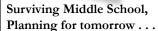












Waning days of 8th grade shown above. Paint and Sip Day; and 8th Grade Career Day. Our guest speakers were:

- 1. Adrian Lee Cosmetologist
- 2. Dr. Mia Harris Physician
- 3. Omar Mason Attorney
- 4. John Hiser Principal
- 5. Johnathan Parnell IT Specialist
- 6. William Senor IT Specialist
- 7. JaMasha Lacy Pharmacist
- 8. Stephen Sutton-N.O. Actor
- 9. Kenneth Temple Chef





Class of 2022 (left) dissecting a baby pig in science during their final days as 7th graders. The picture above is the Class of 2021 as kindergarten students, Spring 2008.



The World is in Our Hands! Promotional Exercise May 11th 9 am



Mrs. Andrew
Jourdan Amedee
Trinity Barnes
Kyrin Batiste
D'Nyri Cains
Tyrin Cains
Rougulatou Diallo
Leon Hayes
Aaron Holmes
Kelmaya Johnson
Walter Lambert

Taylor Martin Ayden Moliere Cherly Rivera Jaida Scott Jamal Sigue Maycon Solorzano Alexandria Wilkerson Kaliya Williams Serenity Williams Shania Williams Ronce Wilson

Mrs. Donatto
Marchus Cobb
Co'hann Davis
Jermel Degree
Treysen DeJesus
Steven Doughty
Antione Hendricks
Sean Jackson
Terrell Jackson
Nyomei Jones
Shaun Lee

These scholars will be attending college in the year 2029!

Ki'Yah Martin Terrell Martin Astrid Meza-Gomez Ja'Quellian Mitchell Bryani Norberto Bry Raines Koray Rayford Ja'Liyah Simms Malia Stoval Basin Wells Mrs. Harrell
Nsangue Augustine
Madison Booker
Jer'miah Bridges
Kayden Brown
Kimon Decor
D'Shawn Durel
Ah'Leah Harris
Kyliee Hickerson
Nylania Hines
Tontionne Johnson

Jasmine Jones Semaj Kendrick Jerrad LaRoche Rayishi Lindsey Maurice Phillips Joel rivera Jerry Robinson III Briya Tardy Dymara Thompson Jalaya Wells























"If you can imagine it, You can achieve it. If you can dream it, You can become it."

Promotional Exercise – Fri., May 12, 2017

8th Grade Class of 2021

Girls
Dameion Butler
Ija'Na Davis
India Davis
Oluchi Emaukah
Mya Evans
Labrina Hampton
Rayvin Harris

Derrinisha Harvey Isyss Henderson Gabrielle Jack D'Shante James Jakel Jones Janae Jones Precious Landry Kayla Manning Christin Martin Daijah McMillan Gabriel Moore Melissa Rayford Kayla Rochon Chelsey Simmons Byroneka Strowder Diavian Taylor Joharie Walker

Boys Wade Atlow Montrell Banks Javaris Bee Jamil Bovia Karen Bowman Shamaur Combs Edgar Duenas Obinna Emukah Byron Hall Charles Hill Donnell Johnson Wilford Johnson Jamal Jones Kendell Sampson Donté Sentino Gabriel Sparks



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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Does My Family Qualify?

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- Your household must be participating in one of these govt. assistance programs: free or reduced lunch through the National School Lunch Program (NSLP), SNAP, TANF, or Public Housing
- Have not subscribed to Cox High Speed Internet Service in the last 90 days;
- No outstanding Cox bills or unreturned equipment.

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Update your contact info!

Do you have a new phone number or home address? We need to know. Please update your contact info!



Parents/Guardians-

Lost & Found is growing . . .

Please stop by the school's lobby and check the rack and table for your child's missing clothing.

Clothing left at the end of the school year will be given to charity. ###





Save those Box Tops for Education for us through the summer! We'll take them off your hands as soon as we return in August!

