

## WARRIOR NEWS

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Spirit Week Closes Out Middle School for the Class of 2021-it's on to high school in August!'


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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Duenas Alvarado Edgar
Emuka, Francis
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Hampton, Sabrina
Harris, Rayvin
Harvey, Derrinisha
Henderson, Isyss
Hill, Charles
Jack, Gabrielle
James, D'Shante*
Johnson, Donnell
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Taylor, Diavian
Thomas, Nicholas
Walker, Joharie
Washington, Kayla
Washington, Ra'ven*
Williams, Aquarius

## Academic Grading Quarters 2016-2017

| 4stQuater | August 15-Ottober 14 |
| :---: | :---: |
| ZndQuater | October 17-December 23 |
| 3rd Quarter | Jantary 10-March 17 |
| 4th Quarter | March 20 - May 19 |

## FCWCS Grading Scale

$A=93-100$
$\mathrm{B}=85-92$
$C=75-84$

D = 70-74
$\mathrm{F}=60-69$

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?

[^0] * 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

## 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
\#\#\#

## 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 \#\#\#

## 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); Lynda McCray(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. \#\#\#


Nicholas Thomas (enter), recipient of the Inspirational Hero Award for 2017 for 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 )
Livingston
. Karr
3. Lake Area
. Einstein (tie for 3)
. Easton
4. Landry/Walker
. MLK, Jr.
4. McMain
4. International High (tie for 4)

## Thomas Chosen Cox Inspirational Hero

Nicholas Thomas was chosen as Fannie's Inspirational Hero for 2017 by Cox Communications. This marks Cox's 25 th year sponsoring the award. The presentation took place on Tuesday, April 25th at the Pontchartrain Center in Kenner.

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

Nicholas was one of 124 area 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!
-Mrs. B. Castílle


Speech Pathology

## McCray's Retirement

The $\mathbf{W N}$ has been notified that our school's speech pathologist, Mrs. Lynda McCray , will be retiring at the close of this school year.

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

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


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

-Mubammed Ali

## 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, Edítor

## Tennis Team Highlights

2017
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 Wíllíams

| 1st Tennis Team, | Boys |
| :--- | :--- |
| 2017 | Lester Bejarno |
| Girls | Perry Dickens |
| India Davis | Brian Turner |
| Angela Williams | Rely Bejarano |
| Carissa Washington | Simion Washington |
| Geor'nae Baham | Jakari O'Conner |
| Chelesy Simmons | Jamaal Simmons |
|  | Courtney Williams |
|  | Jayden Williams |
|  | (Mgr.) |

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www.highlightskids.com www.funology.com www.whyville.net nwf.org


## 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? <br> 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.

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


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## LO"E

the LIBRARY
READMG

## is my SUPERPOWER

## 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 $11 \mathrm{am}-1 \mathrm{pm}$ at the Alvar Branch)
- play Xbox Games (Fridays $3 \mathrm{pm}-4: 30 \mathrm{pm}$ at the Main Branch)
-learn to play Chess with other teens and adults (Saturdays $1 \mathrm{pm}-4 \mathrm{pm}$ 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).
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## 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 nonprofit 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@9am More than 200 dads and father-figures showed up at our annual event to celebrate the joys of fatherbood. 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 bighlights of our school year. Thanks to moms and dads for all you do.


## 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



Surviving Middle School, Planning for tomorrow . . Waning days of 8 th grade shown above. Paint and Sip Day; and 8th Grade Career Day. Our guest speakers were:

- Adrian Lee - Cosmetologist

Dr. Mia Harris - Physician
. Omar Mason - Attorney
Jobn Hiser - Principal
5. Johnathan Parnell - IT

Specialist
6. William Senor - IT Specialist
7. JaMasha Lacy - Pbarmacist
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 7 th 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


## Kindergarten Class of 2017 <br> These scholars will be attending college in the year 2029!




Mrs. Andrew Jourdan Amedee Trinity Barnes Kyrin Batiste D'Nyri Cains Tyrin Cains Rougulatou Diallo Leon Hayes Aaron Holmes Kelmaya Johnson Walter Lambert<br>Taylor Martin Ayden Moliere Cherly Rivera Jaida Scott Jamal Sigue Maycon Solorzano Alexandria Wilkerson Kaliya Williams Serenity Williams Shania Williams Ronce Wilson

Mrs. Donatto<br>Marchus Cobb Co’hann Davis Jermel Degree Treysen Dejesus Steven Doughty Antione Hendricks Sean Jackson Terrell Jackson Nyomei Jones Shaun Lee

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 | Derrinisha Harvey | Melissa Rayford | Jamil Bovia |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Class of $\mathbf{2 0 2 1}$ | Isyss Henderson | Kayla Rochon | Karen Bowman |
| Girls | Gabrielle Jack | Chelsey Simmons | Shamaur Combs |
| Dameion Butler | D'Shante James | Byroneka Strowder | Edgar Duenas |
| Ija'Na Davis | Jakel Jones | Diavian Taylor | Obinna Emukah |
| India Davis | Janae Jones | Joharie Walker | Byron Hall |
| Oluchi Emaukah | Precious Landry | Cantino |  |
| Mya Evans | Kayla Manning | Boys | Charles Hill |
| Labrina Hampton | Christin Martin | Wade Atlow | Donnell Johnson |
| Rayvin Harris | Daijah McMillan | Montrell Banks | Wilford Johnson |
|  | Gabriel Moore | Javaris Bee | Jamal Jones |
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## 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. \#\#\#

## Wells Transportation 504.469.1277

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


## COM

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- At least one student in grades K-12 lives in your household
- 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
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## enrollNOLA

Every thing you need to know about enrolling a child in New Orleans Public Schools.
enrollnola.org


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!



[^0]:    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

