



WARRIOR NEWS

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For the first time since 2019, Scholastic's...

Book Fair Returns!

Scenes from 2022 Fair:
That's Mrs. Arthur dressed as her fav book character Arthur!; sales were brisk all five days, the cash register didn't get a break!; finding the right book sometimes takes a little help from Mmes. Johnson and Batiste; our youngest scholars were very impressed with their purchases!.



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We were getting ready for the Spring Book Fair in 2020 when school was closed on March 13th. The bi-annual Scholastic Book Fair was placed on hold until resurrected two years later on March 21st.

Apparently our students and staff were ready to shop for tomes on campus once again, keeping the cash register ringing.

Our youngest Warriors (Pre-K through 1st grades) had no idea what a book fair was and what to expect. They know now!



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Daily Transactions

Mon., 3/21	46
Tues. 3/22	110
Wed., 3/23	86
Thurs, 3/24	114
Fri., 3/25	87

Total # Sales

443

"Thanks to all our book lovers who helped to make our fair a success!"

Mrs. LeBlanc,
Librarian



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Principal's Message

April 8, 2022

Dear Parents/Guardians

It's April already and we're in the 4th quarter of our academic year!

Attendance and punctuality continues to be a concern. Students must be present and on time each day to achieve mastery of their classes. Each morning, we have scores of students arriving tardy—often missing most of their first class. **Breakfast is served at 7:30 am, instruction begins at 8:00 am.** Remember, one day these scholars will become adults and employees. How long will they keep their careers going if they can't arrive on time?

As you know, the mask mandate has been lifted by the district. Whether your child continues to wear their mask is your decision. Please advise them of your preference. Masks are still available for as long as the supply lasts. Once the supply is exhausted, you will have to supply your child's mask. Remember, all children, five and older, are eligible for immunization.

Testing will begin soon for students in grades 3-8. It is imperative that they are here on time, ready to go! LEAP testing will take place on our campus for grades 6-8 the

week of April 25th, followed by grades 3-5 the week of May 2nd. All electronic devices are banned from school these weeks. **These devices can cause the entire class's tests to be voided. The State will be monitoring our testing.**

Smart watches are not to be worn to school the entire week. Phones will be collected (as usual) before testing begins and **book bags should be left at home.**

Remember to make sure you are logged into Class DoJo, the school's website (fcwcs.org), Facebook, and Instagram accounts. These sites will keep you abreast of everything happening at FCWCS.

As always, we appreciate your confidence in our team of educators. Always let us know what we are doing great and not so great. Feedback helps us to improve!

Kelly S. Batiste
Principal/CEO
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Leading the cheer on Founder's Day, March 24th.

Main Round for NCAP Results Released

Class of 2026 High School Decisions Revealed

On March 30th, New Orleans Public Schools (NOLA-PS) released the New Orleans Common Application placement results for next year.

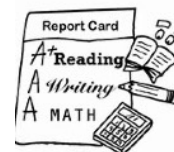
NCAP is the centralized school enrollment process (formerly known as OneApp) for Orleans Parish public schools.

Forty (40) of our 8th graders took part in this main round and received their notifications for next year. According to NCAP, 94% of 9th grade applicants received placement that was number one on their list and 90% received one of their top three choices.

Listed below are the placements for the 2022-2023 school year for the Warrior Class of '26:

School	# Accepted
Warren Easton	7
Eleanor McMain	7
Livingston	6
Abramson	4
McDonogh #35	4
Edna Karr	3
Kennedy	2
Frederick Douglass	2
Sophie Wright	1
G. W. Carver	1
Lusher	1
International High	1
New Orleans Military & Maritime	1

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Be a parent in the know!

Stay on top of your child's academics and attendance by accessing JPAMS (the electronic roll book). Hard copy report cards were sent home in the Warrior Folder on March 30th. Did you see it?

Check for your child's last report card @

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

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

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Masks are optional in New Orleans Public Schools, March 21st

NOLA-PS has done away with the rule requiring students and school staff to wear masks to school. Monday, March 21st marked the first day since the pandemic began that masks are not a requirement. This decision was made as the COVID-19 positivity rate continues to keep at a steady low (below 1%).

The city of New Orleans dropped the requirement two weeks ago. For the first time in more than two years, entire faces can be seen. Remember, lower elementary scholars on campus have never attended school without masks!

Please remember to have your child vaccinated to protect them and others who are susceptible to the virus (the elderly, those with immunity issues and little ones who can't be vaccinated). Vaccinations are usually FREE and can be found at any Walgreens and CVS Pharmacy. Don't forget to keep up with those vaccination cards.

51 Vaccinations administered, March 16th

Thanks to all parents/guardians who gave permission for their child to receive their vaccinations. Health Heroes (in connection with Children's Hospital), gave the shots to 59 students and 3 staff members.

9 Immunizations given, March 17th

Childhood immunizations for diseases like measles, chicken pox, diphtheria, etc. are still needed to keep children safe. Parents are encouraged to keep up with their child's shot requirements. Part of my responsibilities is to ensure all childhood immunizations are up-to-date. Notices will be sent home for students who are in need of immunizations (vaccinations).

April is National Alcohol Awareness Month

Every April since 1987, the National Council on Alcohol and Drug Dependence, Inc. (NCADD) has sponsored Alcohol Awareness to make the public aware of the health hazards of excessive drinking.

The last two years has resulted in more individuals using alcohol to cope with life during a pandemic. Children may have witnessed an increase in parental/guardian drinking due to family life centering around the home.

Think about it, does your social activities center around excessive amounts of alcohol? Sports, a night out on the town, dinner at a restaurant, a crawfish boil in the backyard, a birthday celebration—do these activities center around the company or the liquor? Done in moderation, no problem, but excessive drinking harms your health (physically and mentally) and sends the wrong message to *(cont'd on pg. 4)*

COVID-19 Tuesday Testing Participants (Staff & Students)

**March 2
221**

**March 8
428**

**March 15
393**

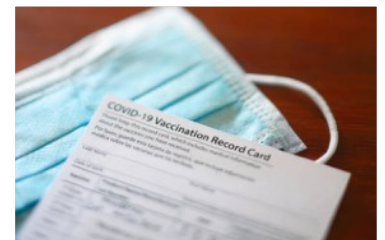
**March 22
401**

**March 29
427**

**April 5
428**

**Everyone 5 years and older
should be fully vaccinated
in
NOLA-PS. Have questions
about COVID-19 vaccines?**

Here's where to start:
GetVaccineAnswers.org



Keep your Vaccination Card in a safe place. It is your record of the brand and dose.



We're a NO BULLYING SCHOOL

Please report ALL concerns to one of the following adults on campus immediately:

1. Dean Sisco or Dean Daigle
 2. Mrs. J. Edmond or Mrs. M. Aziz
 3. The classroom teacher.
- Call the school @ 504.373.6228

Children, COVID, & Mental Health

Concerned about your child's mental health? You might find information that you can use by visiting the website

onoursleeves.org

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline
1-800-273-8255

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Alcohol Awareness . . . children who are watching. Young people will usually model the behaviors of the adults around them. What message are you sending?

National figures indicate a drop in the number of young people who use alcohol, but it remains the number one drug for America's youth. Youngsters are more likely to succumb to alcohol than all the illegal drugs combined. That's why it is important to make the public aware and educate people about alcoholism and the treatments available. Parents should start talking to their child(ren) about the dangers of excessive and underage drinking as early as 9 years of age. The brain of a pre-teen/teen is quite different from an adult. The teen brain continues to develop well into their '20s. Drinking has negative impacts on this development. That is why **drinking under the age of 21 is illegal.**

Do you have alcohol in your home? It should be under lock and key, just as you would a gun. It is not unheard of young people partaking of liquor without their parent's knowledge.

We are aware of binge drinking on college campuses, but a taste for alcohol can develop as early as middle school. We will soon be in the midst of prom season. Cars and underage drinking can be lethal.

How can you tell they may already be drinking?

1. Look for behavior changes;
2. Mood and personality has become different;
3. Poor hygiene;
4. Health issues (slurred speech, frequently ill, excessive weight loss or gain; vomiting, seizures, accidents or unusual injuries);
5. School work is suffering (complaints from teachers or deans, loss of interest in extracurricular activities).

Here's a few ideas to avoid the above . . .

1. Set a healthy example. Model the behavior you want your child to imitate.
2. Make sure you monitor children and their access to alcohol at home and outside the home (know their friends). Keep your liquor out of easy access.
3. Make your child aware of your expectations and that you always have an open door policy to talk.

Reach out to experts if you need help. Our counseling staff can help with suggestions. ###



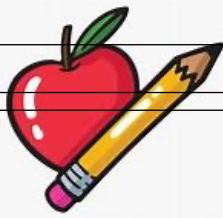
Our Health Hero, Nurse Robichaux, always has a full day and a smile on her face!

Healthy children learn better . . .



Pandemic woes has taken the school nurse's job to another level. Our Nurse Robichaux has answered the call, giving it her all! Whether she is supervising Tuesday's COVID testing (top), leading the Fannie birthday parade down the hall, making phone calls, checking temperatures or sharing holiday cheers (2019) with a co-worker, it is always done with a smile.





Who's in the Classroom?

Faculty Members to Know

This column is the 11th in a series about the educators who teach and supply support services at FCWCS.

Terry Green

Physical Education Teacher & Coach

If you've followed FCWCS athletics the last decade or so, you have got to know Coach Green. He's the guy with the baseball hat on (usually) backwards and dressed in athletic attire. He's also the coach who has steered the Warriors to five championships in flag football and one championship in basketball.

Terry Green was born in New Orleans ("Charity Hospital," according to Green). Green grew up in neighboring St. Bernard Parish on the only all black street in Meraux Ville, Walker's Lane. During his teen years, the family moved to Violet, Louisiana. He attended Chalmette High School.

A true sportsman, Coach Green lettered in basketball and football, earning his letters for participating in both sports all four years of high school. He was awarded All-District Honors during his sophomore, junior and senior years in football. All-District morphed into All-State and All-Metro during his 11th and 12th grade years on the gridiron.

After graduation from Chalmette, he attended HBCU Langston University in Oklahoma on a football scholarship. During his time as a Langston Lion, he earned Coca-Cola's All-American (for all major HBCUs) during his both his junior and senior years for his play as the starting strong safety for three years.

He earned a B.A. in Psychology in the Spring of 2001 from LU. He had no aspirations to become a teacher until "my college mentor, Mr. Wallace Foster, invited me to assist in coaching at Frederick Douglass in the Fall of '02." In order to do this, he had to become a teacher at the school on St. Claude Avenue. "I found my passion in education that I didn't know existed in me . . ." states Green. At Douglass, Green taught Computer Science for the 2002-2003 school year before moving on to the SPED departments at McDonogh #42 and Live Oak Middle. His next assignment was as a Physical Education teacher at Algiers Tech Academy (ATA).

Green became part of the Fannie Family in 2009, signing on as the 6th grade math teacher beginning in '09. Two years later, he moved into the coaching and Physical Education, where he remains to date. His time here has been rewarding! Just view the plaques in the gym, with flag football being the most plentiful. With 18 years of education under his belt, he still "has an undeniable passion for sports, whether playing or coaching." He is the father of one daughter and the honor of coaching her AAU (Amateur Athletic Union) basketball team, the St. Bernard Sonics for four years. This allowed time to bond with his offspring and create "everlasting memories for myself and my daughter." He also coached a traveling team of 9 and 10 year olds, known as The Game Dogs (2006-2016).

His inspiration for all this activity comes from "my mother who always taught me to be dedicated to anything I do. She along with my six uncles are who molded the charismatic, dedicated, and affable man I am today."

Great job Coach Green. Your dedication to our scholar-athletes is commendable.

The next column will feature 3rd grade teacher Michelle Hodges.

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Top Warrior Scholars

121 Earn Spot on 3rd Quarter Honor Roll



Principal's Honor Roll GPA 4.0 (All A's)

Name	Grade
Mi'kiya Crawford	01
Tyreke Day	01
Sanai Durel	08
Mariah Edwards	07
Karter Jones	01
Journey LeBlanc	01
Trinitee Moliere	08
Ah'moid Nathan	04
Cornasia Parquet	01
Carla Peralta	03
Savyon Sanders	01
Melo Scott	02
Legacy Solomon	01
Karlie Steward	01
Braden Tardy	01
Lateriana Thompson	01
Derrion Walker	08
Jamahl Washington	01
Kanigh Wells	08

"A" Honor Roll/GPA 3.5 - 3.9

Arabella Allen	03
Jourdan Amedee	05
Khylei Barnes	01
Guilmer Bermudez	03
Floyd Blue	01
Willow Burns	01
Maci Evans	07
Sy'maj Evans	07
Michael George	01
Drake Hall	02
Makata Keeling	02
Jakeem Lewis	01
Brooklyn London	08
Malik Martin	08
Carl Reed	08
Imany Roches	08
Genesis Rochez	01
Bryce Sanders	08
Que Triggs	01
Ludi Vasquez-Garcia	06
Jozzae Vaughn	08
Jordyn White	04
Willow White	01

"B" Honor Roll/GPA 3.0 - 3.4

Kadeline Aguilar	05
Donté Brown	03
Anijah Christmas	03
Jadyn Coleman	01
Kayce Coleman	01
Rayne Conley	04
Deshawne Cornelius	08
Laquira Cornelius	02
James Crawford	07
Tyren Donaldson	08
Jihad Dunams	02
Tyjh Evans	08
Malik Farria	07
Tanarina Fefie	07
London Fleming	07
Demond Fleming	08
Allan Garcia	02
Jamyra Garrison	04
Miguel Gobernado	01
Paylee Griffin	01
Travion Griffin	07
Eboni Guidry	03
Da'rion Hall	08
Kody Harris	02
Maliyah Howard	02
Melo Howard	01
Terrell Jackson	05
Terry Jackson	03
Tor Jolla	01
Kiersten Jones	06
Noah LeBlanc	02
Hayden Luckett	02
Kiyah Martin	05
Rontral Martin	03
Clarence Matthews	01
Destiny Matthews	05
Mason Miller	02
Ja'quellian Mitchell	05
Bryani Nolberto	05
Graciela Nunez	08
Lyric O'Connor	07
Khaleel Ottallah	01
Cesar Portillo	02
Jostin Portillo	04
Bry Raines	05
Genesis Ramirez	03

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"B" Honor Roll/GPA 3.0 - 3.4

Roderick Ridgley	07
Aaron Rivera	02
Joel Rivera	05
Jazmin Robinson	07
Klayche Ross	01
Layla Roussell	02
Kyrin Salvant	02
Nicholas Simmons	02
Aniyah Smith	07
My'ree Smith	03
Ronald Smith	08
Lacey Stigler	07
Kelcy Suazo	05
Elaya Surtain	01
Brian Tardy	02
Brooklyn Tardy	03
Lawryell Tennessee	01
Cayden Thipado	08
Damani Thomas	06
Bradley Toledano	06
Sanah Tucker	02
Pilar Velasquez	02
Hezekiah Williams	07
Jaden Williams	08
Kaliya Williams	05
Serenity Williams	05
Burnell Wilson	01
Jacob Wilson	01
Ja'Tasia Wilson	07
Kebron Woodfin	03
Zael Zapata	07
Joy Zonellie Gordon	07
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It's been a while, but students are very happy to do . . .

Field Trip Friday, Part 1

It's been quite a while since the school bus did anything other than pick up students in the morning and then drop them off in the afternoon. Friday, April 1st was a beautiful day—a perfect day for a field trip.

Two groups headed off campus, one group to the New Orleans Museum of Art and another group to the Saint's Training Camp on Airline Hwy. (see page 8).

This was a great way to spend a Friday for students and staff. Hopefully, the start of many to come!

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Did you know . . .

Nefertiti's name means "A Beautiful Woman Has Come." She was the wife of Pharaoh Ramesses II. Her tomb is the largest and most decorated in the Valley of the Queens.



Scenes from April 1st field trip: A trip to NOMA these days involves seeing Queen Nefertari's (18th Dynasty of Ancient Egypt, c. 1370 - c. 1330 BCE) artifacts. The trip included an inside the New Orleans Museum of Art, the

Sculpture Garden and a picnic near Café Du Monde's coffee stand among the ancient oaks of City Park. Chaperones (Jordan, Britt, Aziz, and Smith) were very proud of our well-behaved 4-8 grade Warriors.

It's been a while, but students are very happy to do . . .

Field Trip Friday, Part 2

Our second group of travelers headed out to the Saints Training Camp on Airline Hwy.

This group of Warriors in grades 4-8, were about 35 in number and were treated to a STEM (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics) educational event.

Thanks to Ms. Tanisha Batiste for the photos.



Scenes from Field Trip Friday, Pt. 2, the Saints STEM Event at the Saints Training Camp on Airline Hwy.





Miss Fannie C. Williams

b. Biloxi, Mississippi
March 23, 1882



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New Orleans
We never let our namesake's birthday go by without recognizing her contributions to public education in New Orleans for black scholars.

Pictured are a few scenes from this year's celebration—the 140th year since the birth of

Miss Fannie C. Williams



A look at the morning celebration of Miss Williams; Singing Warriors perform the Alma Mater; band parades through the building to the delight of students and staff; cupcakes and ice cream served; our Dancing Warrior Staff!





Campus & Field Trip Sightings



Engineer Cranford shows off his robotic car and remote (left); A trip to NOMA must include a photo shoot on the grand staircase (photo courtesy of S. Jordan); Sculpture Garden hijinks at City Park on the year's first field trip (lower right); Beautiful day for a 4th grade picnic after visiting NOMA (middle below); the artifacts of Nefertiti at NOMA makes for a great backdrop (below).

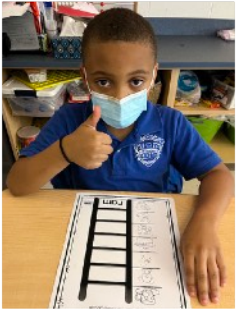
There's always something great going on at FCWCS!



Dooky Chase's Restaurant has long been the place for the culminating **Silverback Luncheon** on April 6th, for our 8th Grade male scholars.

After a hiatus of two years, the tradition returns 8th graders heading to Orleans Avenue. Their luncheon, civil rights lessons, pep talk, male bonding, etc. is a right-of-passage. Notice the Silverback backpacks, the traditional gift from the organization. Thanks to Mistrs Britt and Townsend for chaperoning the event and the photo.

Field Trip are always a fun way to learn!



Upcoming Calendar Events 2021-2022*

**This calendar is published to keep our families informed, but it is subject to change. Thanks for understanding.*

2nd Semester

April

- 15 - 19 Spring Break
- 20 School Resumes
- 25 - 29 LEAP Testing,
Grades 6th, 7th, 8th

May

- 2 - 6 LEAP Testing,
Grades 3rd, 4th, 5th;
8th Grade FINAL Exams
- 9 - 13 8th Grade Spirit Week
- 9 - 12 FINAL Exams for
All grades except 8
- 19 Pre-K EOY Activity
Promotional Activity
- 20 Kdg. & 8th Grade
EOY Activity
- 24 Students' LAST Day,
Report Cards Issued
- 26 Last Day for Staff
- 27 Last Day for Admin/
Leadership Team



That's Counselor Jess Tregle of Communities in Schools inputting information. CIS is a non-profit organization in New Orleans and Jefferson Parish that provides a bridge between community resources that assist our students and staff. They can

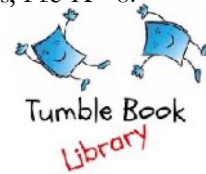
provide academic assistance, mental health assistance, life skills coaching, college & career prep info, behavioral interventions, family counseling, and just basic needs for our student body. Need help? Contact Ms. Jess @ 504.373.6228.

The Tumble Book Library is available !

FREE access for all Warriors, Pre-K - 8.

How to access?

techsupport@fcwcs.org
has the answers!



Order
FREE
COVID-19
Testing Kits
for HOME
USE

*(4 per order, shipped directly
to your home via USPS)*

COVIDtests.gov

*Need help with homework?
Visit Louisiana's website for
K-12 students & adults
seeking employment . . .*

www.HomeworkLA.org

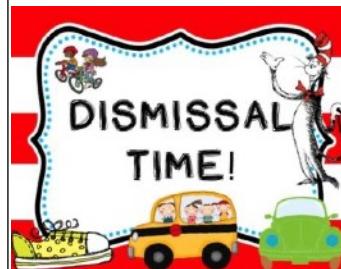
*Tutoring in Spanish and
Vietnamese;
access from
your
computer or
your mobile
device.*



This summer . . .

NORDC will offer 41 youth summer camps (ages 4-12) across the City of New Orleans. Visit their website for additional information @

nordc.org/activities/summer-camp/



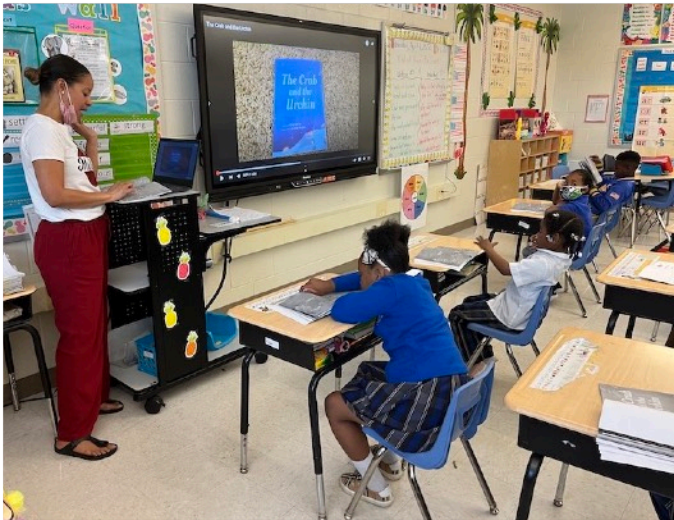
**Early dismissal
CANNOT take place
after 2:30 pm.** It
disrupts the end-of-day
procedures taking place
in the classroom.
**Dismissal begins
promptly at 3:15 pm**

Mon.- Fri.
Thanks for picking your child up on time.



**We test EVERY Tuesday
8:30 am - 11:30 am**

Is your Warrior signed up for testing? If not, register your scholar using the info on the top of page 3 of this **WN**!



We hope ALL our Warriors return next year, so we've saved a seat for your scholar for the 2022-2023 school year!

A **Intent to Return Forms** was sent home in Wednesday's (April 6th) Warrior Folder. Please fill it out completely and return ASAP to your child's homeroom teacher. This will hold your child's seat at FCWCS. **All Intent to Return Forms MUST include the following documentation:**

1. **Parent/Guardian Identification;**
2. **Two Residency Documents** proving residency in Orleans Parish (examples: utility bill, rental lease, property tax notice, etc.)

ALL 8th Graders who did not receive placement in the Main Round Common App should submit an app in Round 2 beginning April 11th. ###



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April 1, 2022

NOTICE OF INTENT TO APPLY FOR 21ST CENTURY LEARNING CENTER GRANTS

Fannie C. Williams Charter School After School Program, Creative Learning After School Success (CLASS) is applying for funding under the Louisiana 21st Century Community Learning Centers (CCLC) Fund. The announcement serves as public notice of our intent to apply. If awarded funding, Creative Learning After School Success (CLASS) will disseminate information about the 21st CCLC program in a manner that clearly states our goals with information accessible from individual letters, posts on our website and announced through local news resources. We invite comments and partnerships as we work to improve the services offered to our school age children in our After School program.

Please contact Karen LeBlanc (504) 373-6228 for more information.

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CLASS Got Bras Competition
Sunday, April 3rd



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Bus Service Provided by . . .

Calvin Transportation

We have a total of nine buses, which will arrive at school at 7:30 am and depart 3:25 pm. Routing assignments have been sent home with all currently registered bus riders.



Please review your child's information and contact Calvin Transportation at 504.912.4642 for info concerning route changes.

Other concerns (*late bus, missing bus, etc.*), please contact **Dean Sisco**

504.444.1063 (cell) or 504.373.6228 (main office).

Our School Day

Breakfast - 7:30 - 7:50 am

Classes Begin - 8:00 am

Dismissal - 3:15 pm

**All carpool students will be dismissed beginning @ 3:15 pm.*

**No early dismissal after 2:45 pm. Thanks!*

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Fines for exceeding 20 MPH

\$75 - \$235
(depending on your speed)

Enforced
7 am - 9 am
2:45 pm - 4:45 pm



Bullard's camera will cost you \$\$\$



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. ###



Changing your contact info (*home address, phone, e-mail*) or **questions about the Student Progress Center**
enrollment@fcwcs.org

Questions & Concerns (*answered by our Principal*)
info@fcwcs.org

School Office Phone
504.373.6228

School Fax #
504.245.2796

New Orleans Public Schools
504.365.8730

Bus Concerns (*Dean Sisco*)
504.444.1063 (*cell*)
504.373.6228 (*main office*)

Chromebook Tech Support (Mrs. C. Lewis)

techsupport@fcwcs.org
8:00 am - 2:30 pm
M-F

Monthly Breakfast/Lunch Menu
fcwcs.org (*HOME Page*)

Breakfast Served (*in classrooms*)
7:20 am - 7:50 am

Grading Quarters 2021-2022*

1st Quarter

~~August 9 - October 7~~

2nd Quarter

~~October 13 - December 17~~

3rd Quarter

~~January 4 - March 18~~

4th Quarter

March 21 - May 20

School Holidays

~~Sept. 6/Labor Day~~

~~Oct. 8 - 11/ Fall Break~~

~~Nov. 22 - 26/Thanksgiving~~

~~Dec. 20 - Jan. 3/Winter Break~~

~~Jan. 17/MLK, Jr. Birthday~~

~~Feb. 28 - Mar. 4/Mardi Gras~~

~~Apr. 15-19 - Spring Break~~

**subject to change*



SMOKE ALARMS NEEDED IN ALL HOMES

Have you changed the battery in your smoke alarm lately? Can't reach it? Do you have smoke alarms in your home?

The New Orleans Fire Department (NOFD) will change the battery or install FREE smoke alarms (2) to residents of New Orleans.

Alarms are now available for Deaf and Hard of Hearing citizens (consists of a strobe light, vibrating bed/pillow shaker and a traditional audible alarm.

To receive the services of the NOFD, call the departments community relations division at 504.658.4717 or fill out the form located at www.nola.gov/nofd/citizen-services/free-smoke-detector-installation/. ###