

FCWCS Fee Schedule 2025-2026

Community Leaders Advocating Student Success, Inc. (C.L.A.S.S.) dba Fannie C. Williams Charter School Student Fees, Fines, and Charters

Community Leaders Advocating Student Success may impose certain student fees or charges to help offset special costs incurred in the operation of specific classrooms or subjects.

Generally, students should not be denied or delayed admission nor denied access to any instructional activity due to failure or inability of their parent or guardian to pay a fee. Report cards and other academic records cannot be withheld for failure to pay a fee, pursuant to Louisiana law.

The school shall publish the Student Fees, Fines, and Charges policy and procedures on its website and include it in the school's student handbook which shall be provided to each student and his/her parent or legal guardian at the beginning of each school year in the manner determined by the Board of Directors. The Student Fees, Fines, and Charges policy shall be reviewed annually and revised as necessary.

DEFINITIONS

Fees shall mean any monetary payment or supplies required as a condition of a student being enrolled in school or participating in any curricular or co-curricular activity.

- (1) Fees shall not include supplies or monetary payment for extracurricular activities.
- (2) Fees shall not mean the cost of school meals.
- (3) Curricular and co-curricular activities are activities that are relevant, supportive, that are an integral part of the program of studies in which the student is enrolled, and that are under the supervision and/or coordination of the school instructional staff.
- (4) Extracurricular activities are those activities that are not directly related to the program os studies, which are under the supervision and/or coordination of the school instructional staff, and which are considered valuable for the overall development of the student.

REGULATIONS

- (1) The school shall not charge or access a fee unless the fee has been set and included in the board approved Schedule of Fees.
- (2) Fees charged for the same item or service shall be consistent among all schools under the jurisdiction of the board of directors.
- (3) Failure by a student, or parent on behalf of their child, to pay any required fee shall not result in the withholding of the student's educational record.

SCHEDULE OF FEES

A list of authorized fees, including their purpose, use, amount or authorized range, and how each fee is collected, shall be listed on the Schedule of Fees (Appendix A) attache4d to this policy.

ECONOMIC HARDSHIP STUDENT FEE REDUCTION/WAIVERS

A student or his/her parent or legal guardian may request and receive a student fee reduction or waiver of payment of a fee due to economic hardship. Waivers of fees shall be granted based on objective criteria which shall include, but not be limited to the following, relative to the student his/her family:

- Is a receiving unemployment benefit or public assistance including Temporary Assistance for Needy Families, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, supplemental security income, or Medicaid;
- Is in foster care or is caring for children in foster care;
- (3) Is homeless;
- (4) is serving, or within the previous year has served in, active military service.

A written request for a reduction/waiver of fees shall be submitted to the Principal or her designee for consideration. Proof of eligibility shall be included with the fee reduction/waiver request. A written decision on the reduction/waiver request shall be rendered within ten days (10) school days of the date of receipt of request.

Should the initial request to the Principal of the school for reduction/waiver be denied, a written appeal may be made to the President of the Board of Directors or his designee, who shall respond to the appeal in writing within ten (10) school days of the receipt of the appeal.

All requests for economic hardships reduction/waiver of student fees and any and all supporting documentation used in considering the validity of the request for a waiver shall be confidential. All records associated with a fee reduction/waiver request due to economic hardship shall not constitute a public record but may be audited to ensure compliance with the board's policy. A student's personally identifiable information associated with such a request shall not be made public.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

School supplies requested by classroom teachers of a student's parents or legal guardian shall not exceed a published amount per student per school year as determined by the Board of Directors.

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Prior to assessing a fee for school supplies or developing a school supply list, consideration shall be given to the existing school supply inventory. A student shall not be denied an opportunity to participate in a classroom activity due to his or her inability to provide requested supplies.

DAMAGE TO TEXTBOOKS/INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS

The board may require parents and/or legal guardians to compensate the school for lost, destroyed, or necessarily damaged books and materials, and for any books which are not returned to the school at the end of the school year or upon withdrawal of their dependent child.

Compensation by parent or guardians may be in the form of monetary fees, as determined by the board of directors. Fees and fines shall be limited to no more than the replacement cost of the textbook or material, but may, at the discretion of the Board, be adjusted according to the physical condition of the lost or destroyed textbook. Students shall not be denied the use of a textbook during school hours each day.

The school shall annually inform parents/and or legal guardians of the locally adopted procedures pursuant to state law and regulation, regarding reasonable and proper control of textbooks.

SUPPLY LISTS BY GRADE LEVEL

Pre-K - 8th grades may ask for consumable, personal supplies up to \$75.00. No school or teachers may ask for supplies that exceed this amount.

School supply lists will distributed to parents/guardians and are available in the school's lobby and on the website. Parents are welcome to purchase supplies from vendors of their choice.

CHROMEBOOK REPAIR COSTS

Parents and students both sign an agreement to maintain in good working order Chromebooks and other school tech devices. Students abusing or losing these devices entrusted to them will be responsible for their repair or replacement. Prices to repair/replace are as follows:

Cost/Repair Needed

\$10.00

Replace keys on the keyboard (not a keyboard replacement); Damaged or lost cord

\$20,00

Headphone broke off in jack (if the motherboard is not damaged)

\$40.00

Broken LCD Screen

\$50.00

Body/Hinge replacement; dropped Chromebook

\$150.00

Lost, stolen, or willful damage to Chromebook