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Parents are a child's first teacher!

## Fannie C's Parents are VIPs (Very Important People)

### VIP Club Growing, Room for more!

A year ago, the Leadership Team proposed a VIP Club for parents.

The group is open to all FCW parents/guardians who attend at least five activities during the school year. Research shows that parents involvement in a school has a very positive effect on their child's learning. It can positively affect student behavior, academic achievement, and helps to better the social skills of their child. The school and the home development of the child. We welcome parents to our campus to help develop this partnership that helps to aid in the growth of all Warriors. Join us!

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### 2025 VIP Club Members

Latisha Roussell  
Brittany McCall  
August McCall  
Corina Guerrero  
Alejandra Molina  
Nancy Matamoros  
Karen Salinas  
Shanta Hardy

Jeremy Wilson  
Angelie Wilson  
Rosa Alvarado  
Trang Mai  
Seané Allen  
Deicy Batiz  
Sara Batiz  
Wayne Steward  
Elixsa Gutierrez  
Jannel Valencia

Sonja Shorty  
Natalie Arthur  
Nicole Marigny  
Phillip Britt  
Ireane Hall  
Tamiara Weber  
Tamica Cornelius  
Cabrina Washington  
Umeeka Vernon  
Julie Chirinos

Lesbia Pinel  
Tiffany Jones  
Magdalena Fortanel  
Tamiara Weber  
Courtney Coleman  
Arriana Johnson



Parents engaging in activities that have positive effects on their children: Teacher-Parent Conferences (top left), STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts & Math) Family Night (pics 2 and 3); Annual Trunk or Treat (pic 4); Prime Time Family Reading Night (above middle).

The picture directly above was taken on a Saturday morning on the levee in Kenner during Cross Country season. Is your child an athlete, musician or in a participant in one of the Marching Warriors Auxiliary Groups. We're sure they love seeing you cheering them on! We've still have room for scores of more Warrior

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

December 8, 2025

Dear Parents/Guardians,

As 2025 winds down, let us not forget the importance of keeping our scholars working in earnest to achieve in the classroom. The school year doesn't end until May.

Remember **each school day is important, attendance counts.** We ask that you get your child to campus on time (8 am), with completed homework assignments, ready to put in a full day of learning and growing in the classroom. **Continue to motivate your Warrior to do their absolute best while at school.** You can keep abreast of what's happening in your child's class(es) by utilizing the Student Progress Center (<https://services.edgear.net/progress>). Need assistance? Email us at [info@fcwcs.org](mailto:info@fcwcs.org) for help.

The cover story in this issue of the **WN** highlights the importance of parents/guardians in the lives of their children. We're in our second year of the VIP initiative. In a school of about 300 families, we should have more parents listed on the first page. We offer many opportunities for parents to visit on campus—Teacher Parent Conferences, LEAP Night, STEAM Night, Math & Literacy Night, Prime Time Family Reading Night, Lunch & Learn sessions, Coffee & Conversation sessions, Muffins with Mom, Donuts with Dad, athletic events, etc.

Being a parent is a commitment! **Your child needs you and we need your help to make this place of learning the best that it can be!** Help us help your child. Time goes by quickly and so does childhood and your opportunity to positively impact their educational lives.

Let us all pledge to do our utmost best to enrich the mental, emotional, and physical lives of the Warriors of FCWCS.

"Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it."

—Proverbs 22:6  
—Kelly S. Batiste  
Principal/CEO

Need info regarding 'how we do school' at FCWCS? **Visit our Warrior Family Handbook at [fcwcs.org](http://fcwcs.org) on the school's website.**

**"A child's education is a shared responsibility between the parents and educators."** —Poster in the Parent's Room at FCWCS

2025-2026

### Important Upcoming Events (all dates are subject to change)

#### December 2025

- 1 **Classes resume today @ 8am**
- 5 PBIS Event for November
- 11 Santa Pictures
- 12 Staff v. Student Basketball Game  
Time: afternoon
- 15-16 2nd Qtr Exams
- 19 **Report Cards Issued;** Holiday Program, Time: morning;  
Class Parties in afternoon
- 22-Jan. 5 Winter Break, **NO SCHOOL** for students & staff

#### January 2026

- 5 Staff Returns TODAY, PD  
**NO STUDENTS**
- 6 Students Return TODAY @ 8am,  
3rd Quarter Begins TODAY
- 14 5th-8th Grade Lunch & Learn,  
Time: TBA
- 16 December PBIS Event
- 19 **ML King Jr. Holiday, NO SCHOOL**
- 20 Staff & Students return to school  
TODAY
- 28 **LEAP Parent Night, Time: TBA**  
February 2026
- 7 Marching Warriors in Pontchartrain Parade
- 11 3rd Quarter Progress Conferences,  
3:30-5:30 pm
- 12 Marching Warriors in Chaos Parade;  
**PD Day, NO SCHOOL** for students;  
3rd Quarter Progress Conferences, 8:30 am - 11:00 am
- 14 Marching Warriors in Iris Parade
- 15 Marching Warriors in Mid-City Parade
- 16-20 **Mardi Gras Break, NO SCHOOL** for students and staff
- 23 School resumes for all Warriors
- 25 Coffee and Conversation, Time: TBA
- 27 Black History Program

### Our School Year

Aug. 4, 2025 - May 14, 2026

#### Progress Report

#### Conferences

Sept. 10, '25  
Nov. 12, '25  
Feb. 12, '26  
Mar. 25, '26

#### Report Cards Issued

(to Students via Wed. Folder)  
Oct. 15, '25  
Dec. 19, '25  
Mar. 18, '26  
May, 14, '26



*Don't forget to label your younger Warrior's clothing with their names so that it can be returned to them. Stress to older students the importance of keeping up with their belongings.*

December 8, 2025

Dear Warrior Parents/Guardians,

A recent front page story in the Times-Picayune highlights the flu levels in Louisiana—the **HIGHEST** in the nation!

The cold, flu, and COVID season is upon us once again. I am having students visit my office with symptoms of colds and the flu. Have you had your child vaccinated for the flu? The Immunization team was here in October.

Our immune system works best when our body temperature is well-regulated. Too many students leave home not dressed for the weather during this time of year. Does your Warrior wear another layer of clothing under their school uniform shirt (think t-shirt or undershirt)? Do they own a school sweater or sweatshirt? If it's raining, do they have a poncho or raincoat?

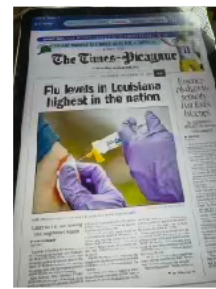


*Vaccinated for the flu at school October 23rd.*

**keep the home environment clear of these things that can negatively impact the lungs of young ones.**

Coming to school with enough layers of clothing can help keep your child's body temperature balanced for best immunity. Illnesses thrive in people with a low immune system. **Dress your Warriors in layers (undershirt, school shirt, sweater or sweatshirt and a coat or jacket). Don't forget the hat and socks! If they become too hot at school, they can remove a layer or two.**

Not being properly dressed for the weather lowers the immune system of children, making them more susceptible to colds, flu, and COVID. Let's work hard to keep all Warriors healthy and in school! ###



*Sat., Nov. 22nd issue of the Times-Picayune.*

**We help our immune system's protection from infectious invaders by eating healthy food, avoiding too much alcohol, tobacco smoke, exposure to environmental toxins, and stress.**

Our students don't drink or smoke, so it is up to parents to



# Laureus USA Sport for Good School at FCW

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That's K. LeBlanc holding a Laureus t-shirt bearing all the participants in the program in New Orleans; Jeremiah Brown & Hannah Huppi (3rd, 4th from left) along with Excite All Stars and members of Laureus during the October visit to Fannie C.



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Fannie C's first exposure to Laureus was during the Super Bowl madness of February 2024. They made their way to involve our middle schoolers in an afternoon of fitness and fun on campus.

There was a DJ, Gatorade, long sleeve t-shirts, swag bags, and fitness stations that kept everyone engaged and ultimately tired. That afternoon put us on the map and a representative from the non-profit foundation came to ask could they interest us in a few offerings—rowing, tennis, golf, motivational speaker and an outdoor outpost discovery program. They all exist here under the supervision of Karen LeBlanc—our librarian, art teacher, and Kedila Afterschool site coordinator.

Laureus was inspired by the late activist Nelson Mandela. "We believe in the power of sport to change the world," he stated. It became a global non-profit foundation, with 200 programs in 40 countries about 25 years ago. Laureus uses sport for social change, using it as a tool or intervention to fight violence and discrimination—**Sport for Good!**

The Sport for Good part can be found in Chicago, NYC, Atlanta and now New Orleans. Fannie C is the pilot program for NOLA! It is also providing training for our coaches at FCW. Rowing (machine rowing) has come to Fannie, along with golf, and tennis lessons (golf and tennis comes to us courtesy of

Excite All Stars, a neighborhood non-profit working to empower kids through sports and academics). It is hoped that middle schoolers involved in rowing will get the opportunity to experience it on the Bayou St. John the same as the Xavier University students do who are part of the university's first rowing team (XULA is the first HBCU to have a rowing team). LOOP NOLA provides some of our younger student athletes an opportunity to learn how to appreciate the outdoors. The outreach program is headquartered in City Park on Harrison Avenue.

October brought former NFL player and motivation speaker Jeremiah Brown to inspire and motivate our middle schoolers in the importance of building character. Hannah Huppi also spoke to Warriors about her record setting trip around the Arctic Circle (584 miles), accompanied by former Saint TE Jimmy Graham, husband John Huppi, and friend Andrew Tropp. She was the first woman to do this! The team accomplished it in a little over 10 days. Huppi's talk (with pictures) made the sport of team rowing come alive to all students involved in it at Fannie C.

There is always something positive happening at Fannie! We do our best to keep your scholar busy and growing academically, emotionally, athletically, and socially. **Tell a friend—with a child—who would benefit from the diversity of learning and growing experiences on the campus of FCWCS.**  
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Thanks to **Kedila Afterschool Program** for providing the funding for the many things that make all things after the 3:15 bell possible!



Kids are meant to move to grow up healthy! The KaBoom set (left) keeps our youngest Warriors happy when they venture outside. FCW has athletic teams for females and males. That's the girl's basketball team in November action against Audubon Charter. Middle schoolers try to out do



each other on the rowing machines (above). Kameron of XULA keeps the log. The Kedila Afterschool provides academic and extra-curricular activities for our Warriors. That's Ms. M. Wilson assisting a student in an after school academic activity, before the extra-curricular session begins.







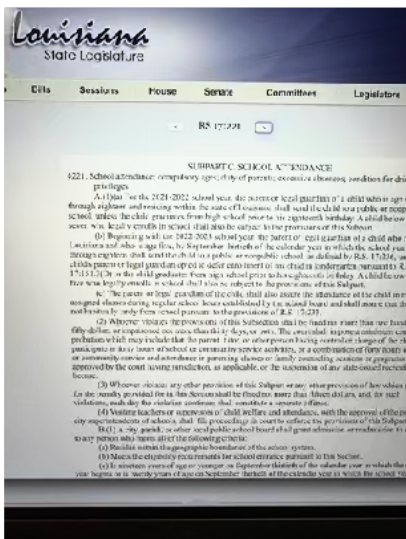
### Another successful Trunk or Treat in the books!

Once again Warrior parents showed up and out to participate in our annual Trunk or Treat. The parking lot horseshoe was filled to capacity with parents who came to treat every scholar from Pre-K through 8 grade with tasty treats!

If you sent a bag of candy for the kids or decorated a car and personally gave it out, thank-you. The **WN** could not decide who was more excited, the parents or the students? Great way to end the week! Appreciate you VIP Parents for all you do!!! ####



*Some of the ghouls and goblins who populated our campus on Friday, October 31st! Great fun for youngsters and adults!*



### Did you know . . .

The State of Louisiana determines school attendance days for students? This is true in all 50 states, the laws regarding students attendance, etc. is determined by each state's governing body. The state tells schools, down to the minutes, how much instruction a child must be given in order to pass to the next grade.

**Our instructional day begins at 8:00 am and ends at 3:15 pm daily.** Students must meet the state's 64,720 minutes of instruction to be deemed eligible to move on to the next grade. Refer to the school's handbook (on the website at [fcwcs.org](http://fcwcs.org)) for info regarding emergencies. **Students who attend school daily and come on time will do better in the classroom.** ####

### Attendance Counts!

**Students must be present 156 days of FCW's 166 days.** State law mandates the number of days/minutes a students must be in attendance to be promoted to the next grade. **Students who are absent in excess of 10 school days with a non-permissible excuse may be kept back (retained).** See pgs. 2-3 of the Family Handbook online ([fcwcs.org](http://fcwcs.org)) for more detailed information.





## S.T.E.A.M. Family Night

November 5, 2025

Do you know what the acronym above means? It stands for Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics. FCW has this annual fun, interactive family night to encourage our families to explore the STEM ideas—curiosity, problem-solving, and a love for creative, collaborative environment. It is an attempt to bring school learning with real-world applications. And of course, it is a great way for families to bound.

Shout out to the musicians and Marching Wolves of neighboring Livingston High School for manning the tables. Several of these young folks were former Warriors!

We appreciate the parents who come to school for a couple of hours of learning and fun with their kids. Great way to earn VIP points towards joining the VIP Parents group!

(Source: AI Overview for STEAM definition)

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5 NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2025

Signing parents/guardians in are Mmes. Banks, Arthur, and Grey. Signatures are needed to provide records for parents who will become eligible for the VIP Club (see pg. 1 for additional info).

Livingston High Marching Wolves manned most of the tables during the night. Many were former students of FCW.

Tables included activities from the Nature Center, microscopes to view cells and record (draw) them, arts & crafts activities with beads, building items from sticks, stacking cups as high as you can get them, table for estimation of items in a jar, math games, science experiments, etc.

S.T.E.A.M. curriculum provides an opportunity for students to use science, engineering, technology, art, and math to solve real world problems.



Students found plenty to keep them occupied during the couple of hours of S.T.E.A.M. night. There was paper to draw on, jelly beans to estimate the number in two jars, an opportunity to form a platform to hold a stuff doll on. And of course, there was a snack—nachos, with cheese, hot dogs, and pop corn to consume after traveling from table to table.



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November 2025

5th grade teachers—S. Theard and N. Arthur (Social Studies and Science)—invited the **WN** into their classroom and ‘outdoor lab’ to see what lessons were being taught and learned.

Theard’s history class was in the midst of a lesson regarding Louisiana history. The class was quiet, attentive, and engaged. Students raised their hands to volunteer to read. The lesson was peppered with a few questions, encouraging hands to go up again to respond with enthusiasm! Great lesson, great teacher, great students! ###

Teaching how chemical reactions work was the lesson of the day with Mrs. Arthur’s class. The group headed to see if what they had already discussed and learned in the classroom could be proven in the ‘lab.’ Key signs of a chemical reaction—a change in color, a change in temperature, gas production, odor change, a sound change, etc. This appears to have happened for the scholars, to their delight, and the four types of carbonated beverages (aka cold drinks in New Orleans) used. They were able to answer the questions Mrs. Arthur asked. Well done 5th graders. Great lesson Mrs. Arthur ###



The **WN** takes a look into what’s happening with our 5th graders ...

## Classroom Chronicles



*Scenes from History class with Mrs. Theard (above). Learning in a 21st century classroom entails a Promethean (smart) board, Chromebooks, lessons in a consumable textbook, a pencil and a highlighter marker.*

*Students are eager to to volunteer to read, with assistance from their instructor when they encounter words they don’t know. Students are able to highlight the most important information to study for the upcoming test. Hints of a high school classroom at FCWC.S. Way to go Warriors, good job, good job!*

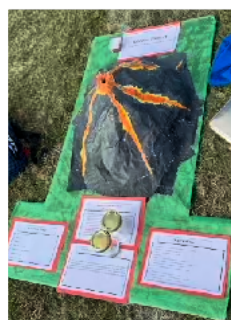


*Part of the class utilized soft drinks and mints to illustrate how chemical reactions work.*

*The other members of the class made volcanoes that would ‘erupt’ when baking soda and vinegar was placed in its opening. Called the ‘Volcano Project,’ the one shown on right listed materials used, stages of the reaction (procedure), and the*

*“scientists” observation of what happened. These young scientists will definitely see this way of conducting an experiment again in high school.*

*Thanks to Mrs. Arthur and Ms. Theard for the invite to the classrooms for this edition of the **WN**.*







Parents are a child's first teacher . . .

## Breakfast & Learn

Back in October we had Lunch & Learn for parents of our youngest students. The experience was duplicated, but with breakfast, November 18th for the parents of our middle tier, grades 3 and 4.

It is the perfect opportunity to learn and prepare hands-on activities for your scholars at home that you can assist with their learning. Thanks to all who came.

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## PBIS, What is It?

Positive Behavior Intervention & School Support (*aka PBIS*) program emphasizes the use of proactive, educative, and reinforcement-based strategies to get meaningful and positive behavior and lifestyle outcomes from our students.

It is used to build a positive environment in which great behavior is recognized more than problem behavior. The PBIS Experience is used to reward students with good behavior. **Students must acquire 90 Dojo positive points to earn the monthly rewards.** Rewards are maintained by the classroom teacher and other staff who interact with them daily (*see the Family Handbook for additional information*).

## Upcoming PBIS Dates & Events

Date	Month of Reward	Event
Fri., Jan. 16	December	Skating
Fri., Feb. 6	January	Cane's Chicken
Fri., Mar. 13	February	Ice Cream & Cupcakes
Fri., May 1	March	Dojo Shirt
Fri., May 1	April	Nachos & Frozen Cup



The 'Dream Team,' instructs our scholars in grades 3 and 4. They are (l to r): N. Marigny, SS, M. Hodges, Math, W. Smith, ELA; (rear, l) B. Toledano, Science, J. Banks, Paraprofessional, and D. Barnett, Interventionist for reading and math.



Parents (right and below) begin their lessons with instructions from Mrs. Marigny and Mrs. Barnett regarding Social Studies. The brown paper bags are used for keeping their tools for teaching at home together. Picture at far right depicts parents getting their breakfast prior to the learning sessions.



Returning after Mardi Gras , , ,

## Prime Time Family Reading 1st Session Ends

The popular Thursday night family reading program Prime Time concluded the first session on November 20. Our grant for the Spring semester has been renewed by the LA Endowment for the Humanities. We are scheduled to return after the Carnival Season.

Information will go out to all families of FCW. The program is geared for students and their parents who are ages 6 - 10. All students must be accompanied by an adult to take part. The program has its own website at [primetimefamily.org](http://primetimefamily.org) for more detailed information. Hope to see you soon!

-The Staff of Prime Time @ FCWCS

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Every family goes home with a free copy of the night's book! This session we had six great ones . . .

1. The Giving Tree by Shel Silverstein
2. The Water Princess by Susan Verde
3. A House by the River by William Miller
4. Neville by Norton Juster
5. After the Fall by Dan Santat
6. What Do You Do with an Idea? Kobi Yomada

The last Fall 2025 Session of Prime Time Family Reading. See you in Winter 2026!



## September is Leukemia Awareness Month

We've had a member of the staff and a student who fought Leukemia and won! Each year we have several activities to raise money for the fight against Leukemia. We know this is late, but we raised and donated

**\$634.28**

in the fight for a cure! Thank-you!

**Prime Time Family Reading Builds a lifelong love of learning, literacy, and leadership. Readers today, leaders tomorrow!**

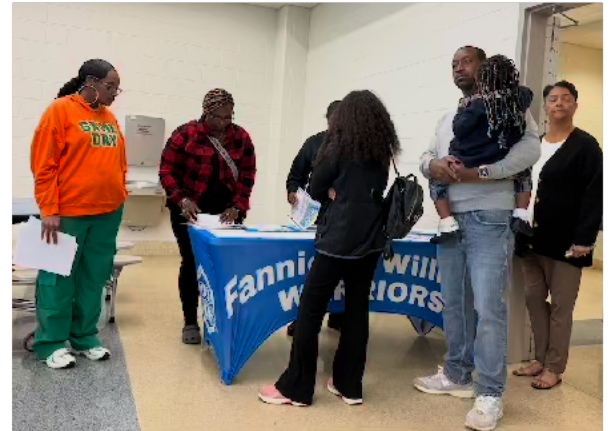


## Annual High School Night

Once a year, Fannie invites local high schools to our campus. This October event provides an opportunity for 8th graders and their parents to “shop” for the best high school fit for next year.

Something to eat is always provided and students and their parents are instructed on how to apply to the schools of their choice. Eighth graders, have you completed your application? Visit <https://enrollnolaps.com> for additional info.

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October 29th Annual High School Night. Public and private high schools from New Orleans were present to recruit Warriors to their campuses. This list included Kennedy, St. Mary's, New Harmony High, Ben Franklin, G.W. Carver, Livingston, Abramson, etc., etc., etc.

Where's your 8th grader headed to next year?



Can you guess which day of Red Ribbon Week the Warriors (and staff) arrived at school in the attire depicted in these photos?



## Red Ribbon Week October 27-31, 2025

Red Ribbon Week is our yearly reminder to live a drug free, alcohol free, tobacco free, and bullying free life. It's commemoration dates back to our earliest days on this site—back to the our FEMA trailer days.

Each day we get to leave our uniforms at home and don attire to remind us of the pledge we made the first day:

- Monday**—United in Red (wear a RED shirt or accessories);
- Tuesday**—Hide from drugs, NOT problems (wear camouflage attire);
- Wednesday**—Boots on the Ground! (wear Western attire);
- Thursday**—Say NO to drugs . . . Then, Now, and Always! (dress up in an ERA from the '70s-2000s);
- Friday**—Say “BOO” to drugs & Team up against drugs! (Grades Pre-K-4 wear Halloween costume to school, upper grades, wear your fav team shirts or jersey to school with jeans).







First big meal of the season enjoyed here . . .

### Fannie's Giving

The Fannie kitchen staff got a true workout the day of the student/parent luncheon. More than 500 meals were served between 10:30-12:30 on November 20! Few commercial kitchens could pull that off!!!

Good food, good company, and a true festive atmosphere was enjoyed by the scores of Warriors and their parents who enjoyed the meal provided by the ladies of Genuine Foods. ###



The meal and the ladies who prepared it! Good job, good job!



The first shift-10:30 am diners at Fannie C's Warrior Café! Thanks parents for showing up. Shout out to those who shared their table with student whose parents couldn't make it! We saw you . . . ❤️



### Girl Talk Celebration

8th grade males have the **Silverback Society** and the females have **Girl Talk**. Their weekly meeting before Thanksgiving included conversations with Principal Batiste, chicken and waffles, and a cranberry drink (including cranberries). Thanks to Mrs. C. Lewis and Ms. A. Davis for all you do!

### Scouting Alive at FCW

Miss Fannie C. Williams, at Valena C. Jones School during her principalship, had the first black Girl Scout Troop in New Orleans. We are keeping scouting as part of the Fannie experience for our younger students.

We have Daisies and Brownies (youngest girls) and Cub Scouts, under the auspices of Kedila Afterschool @ FCWCS. Our girls are in Troop #40251 under the direction of C. Lewis and T. Wheeler. The boys are members of Troop #516, under the direction of Troop Leaders J. Jones, C. Jones, and B. Higgins. Thanks to Kedila site coordinator K. LeBlanc for having the foresight of resurrecting scouting after a hiatus at FCW. Thanks to all for what you do.



Thanks Mr. Allen!



Our Cub Scouts leaders are (l-r): Ms. Connie Jones, Mr. Josh Jones, and Ms. Brenda Higgins.

### Kedila Afterschool Program @ FCWCS

Kedila has been operating now for almost two months. We need to remind parents and students that this is a federal grant program and we must adhere to the agreement we made when it was written three years ago.

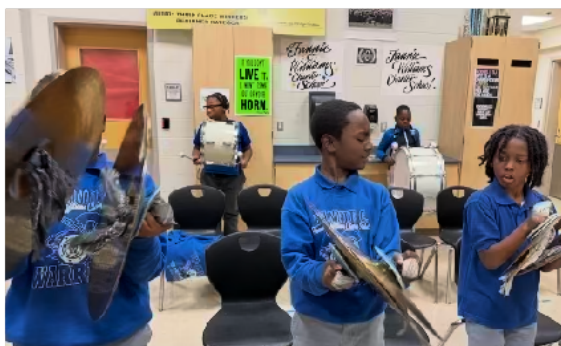
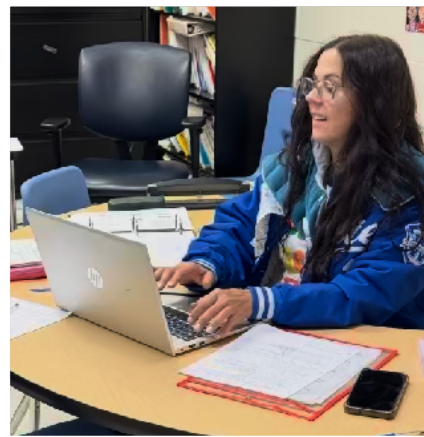
**Our Monday through Thursday program operates from 3:15-5:15 pm.** Students must take part in both the academic (first hour) and the extra-curricular component (second hour) to remain enrolled. **All students should be picked up no later than**

**5:30 pm if they are car riders.** This is **not a paying after care program**. It allows us the opportunity to help students increase their grades by assisting with homework and reviews. It also allows us to have athletics, a band, auxiliary girl groups, chess, coding, visual art, rowing, pep squad, arts & crafts, yoga, gymnastics, jewelry, board games, rug making, soccer, cheerleading, golf, hair dressing, computer games, etc., all for free! Please help us keep this program here. It's definitely worth it the effort. ###





November 1st, New Orleans Excellence in Teaching recipient is our own Mrs. S. Vigne, Kindergarten teacher at FCWCS. Congratulations!



We are always trying to provide the most positive experiences to all our students. Whether it's S.T.E.A.M. Night (complete with theater food), or athletics (basketball, flag football, volleyball, and cross country), Thursday afternoon D.E.A.R. reading, a marching band and auxiliary units, Red Ribbon Week with all its dress-up days, and Trunk or Treat with costumes. But most importantly, adults who care and are nurturing, such as our Speech Pathologist K. Eschman.

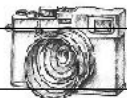


*Did you know that our school has a full-time registered nurse, a speech pathologist, reading interventionists, adaptive physical education, instrumental and vocal music classes, visual art, a lending library, behavioral counselor, occupational therapy, paraprofessionals on each grade level?*

We must be doing something right! We often have former students (like Leona, top pic with Ms. Dent) who return and let us know what's happening with them. Leona is a junior, in college, in Texas. Way to go Lee!

We now have former students who have enrolled their children here! Do you have a friend or relative who has a child or two or three who would benefit from attending school here at Fannie C? Please let them know where we are and about all the positive things that happen daily on our campus. Share this newsletter with them!





### Sporting News Fall 2025

FCWCS has volleyball (girls), cross country (co-ed), basketball (girls & boys), and flag football.

Kids who participate in extra-curricular activities are usually involved in more than one. It's not uncommon for our athletics to also be members of the band or auxiliary marching units. It helps us provide activities so that Warriors can grow mentally, physically, socially, and emotionally—making Fannie a great place to learn and grow. ###

### 2025 Volleyball Team

#### Players

Z. Alveris  
A. Christmas  
B. Cruz  
M. DeGruy  
A. Fefie  
Z. Holmes  
S. Kendrick  
Z. Lymuel  
S. Marigny-Johnson  
A. Noble  
H. Oatis  
N. Quinn  
N. Reynolds

K. Steward  
C. Thipado  
A. Washington  
Z. Washington  
J. White  
A. Williams  
G. Williams  
I. Williams  
S. Williams  
**Coaches**  
T. Batiste  
N. Marigny  
S. Taylor



### 2025-'26 Girls' Basketball Team

#### Players

A. Anders  
G. Ashford  
K. Barnes  
Z. Buggage  
B. Cruz  
K. Holmes  
A. Williams

#### Coaches

T. Batiste  
T. Dumas  
N. Marigny



There's a new "sheriff" in town . . . That's Coach Eric Hawkins running plays with the girls' squad before a game at home. Hawkins, Steward, Batiste are working hard to bring a winning climate to our basketball teams. Info on Coach Hawkins, Steward, Batiste next issue, January 2026. Also pictures of the boys' squads highlighted in the January issue of the **WN**. Stay tuned!





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### Mission Statement of FCWCS

The mission of Fannie C. Williams School is to achieve  
the highest academic success through collaboration of  
staff, parents, and community.

Have you moved or changed your e-mail, home address or phone number?

Update your contact information to receive your child's grades, surveys  
from the principal, this newsletter, bus info, and other important information  
about our school community! Contact Data Manager T. Batiste at

**enrollment@fcwcs.org**

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### Important Message for Parents of Bus Riders in Grades Pre-K through 3rd Grades

All students in the  
grades Pre-K through 3rd grade must be met at the bus stop  
by an adult in the afternoon, UNLESS they are riding the  
bus with an older sibling (in grades 4-8).

If no adult is there to receive them, the driver will bring them back  
to FCW. It will then be the responsibility of the parent to come to  
the school to pick them up.

-Dean Sisco



Our bus service is provided by

## Calvin Transportation

Dean Sisco will answer questions regarding any transportation concerns @  
**504.444.1063 or 504.373.6228**



### Bus Concerns

Dean Sisco

504.444.1063 or 504.373.6228

### Questions & Concerns

info@fcwcs.org

### Changing Contact Info

T. Batiste, Data Manager

enrollment@fcwcs.org

School Office Phone

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### Chromebook Tech Support

C. Lewis

techsupport@fcwcs.org

Homework Assistance

(State of Louisiana)

http://homeworkla.org

Warrior Family Handbook

fcwcs.org

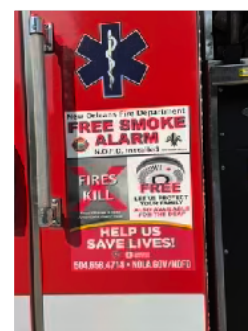
### Suicide & Crisis Lifeline

24/7 English & Spanish

Dial: 9-8-8

### New Orleans Fire Dept. will install FREE smoke detectors to residents of Orleans Parish.

You can request the smoke and  
carbon monoxide alarms by  
completing an online form at  
[nola.gov/smokealarms](http://nola.gov/smokealarms). They  
will also replace batteries for  
the elderly and disabled.



### PARENT-TEACHER Conference



## 3rd Quarter Progress Reports

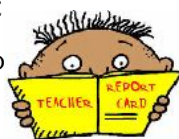
Great opportunity to see your child's  
teachers  
and learn of their progress during this  
third grading period!

**Thursday, February 11, 2026**  
**Time: 3:30-5:30 pm**

### Grading Scale for Regular Courses

(as mandated by the State of Louisiana)

Grade	Percentage
A	100-90
B	89-80
C	79-70
D	69-60
F	59-0



### Early Dismissal ends promptly at

# 2:30 pm

Parents/Guardians are  
reminded that Early  
Dismissal can't be  
accommodated after 2:30 pm.

We know that occasionally  
emergencies will arise, but we  
ask that you work with us to

make sure dismissal flows  
smoothly.

We know you know how  
difficult it is getting your  
child(ren) out of the house on  
time in the morning. Multiple  
that by 25 (average class size)!!!  
Thanks for understanding.

-Kelly S. Batiste  
Principal



Additional information about FCWCS can be found on the school's  
website at **fcwcs.org**.