

Parents are a child's first teacher!

98 Scholars on 2nd Q Honor Roll



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2nd Quarter Honor Roll  
Scholars in this issue!  
Did your child achieve this honor? See pg. 3 for the list.



After school Santa on hand to present Warriors with blue stuffed stockings on December 18th.



It's not December without our annual Christmas Pageant taking place. Each grade level is asked to produce a presentation centering around the season and the reason.

We can always count on the musical talents of our Warriors, whether it's our songbirds (singers) or musicians to bring the loudest applause. Our Miss Jordan (vocal music teacher) was able to secure a guest artist Denisia for the show! She and Warrior dancers performed "Jingle Bell Rock."



Our drummer boys from the Warrior Band!



## Celebrating the season with our Warrior Family!

Warrior Campus, December 19, 2025

No year goes by without Warriors putting on their annual Christmas production! A festive time for students and parents. Once the stage production is over, we hold our homeroom parties! No time better to be a Warrior than the 'season with a reason.'

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January 21, 2026  
 LIGHTS, CAMERA, ACTION! Welcome to 2026!  
 Happy New Year Parents/Guardians,

The first semester of the school year went by very quickly! While it was fast, it was also very productive! We received favorable results from spring 2025 testing, we've hosted several parent engagement, your scholars have enjoyed more field trips, our athletic department is thriving, our attendance competition is yielding positive results, our middle of the year assessment data indicates our students are showing steady growth, and your students are happy to be Warriors!

While we've accomplished many positive things, the school year is not over! We still have a long way to go to reach the goals we have set! Remember, potential vs. production! Collaboration between your home and FCW will provide the action needed to complete the school year on a positive note—making FCW “a positive place for your child to learn and grow.” As always, we solicit your aid to ensure your child receives all they need to excel in the classroom and the plethora of activities that are part of the learning experience here.

I have reminded staff that every minute counts, from 8:00 am to 3:15 pm, during the instructional day. To utilize the school day to the fullest, your scholar should be prompt, prepared, and ready to be productive. Children arriving tardy or absent (without a very good excuse) miss so much! It is never easy to get back on track when you have missed the lesson and possibly the review. Children who are motivated by their families to do their best, often exceed everybody's expectations. Attending daily and doing their best becomes a habit.

Encourage your child daily—motivate them to do their best. Your motivation gets them started, making learning a habit that will sustain them throughout their academic career. Remember, parents are a child's first teachers. You shape their values, inquisitiveness, and learning before they meet their first teacher. We build on the foundation you have set!

*“At the end of the day, the most overwhelming key to a child's success is the positive involvement of parents.”*

—Jane D. Hull (1935-2020)  
 American politician, educator,  
 and 20th governor of Arizona  
 —Kelly S. Batiste  
 Principal/CEO

2025-2026  
**Important Upcoming Events**  
*(all dates are subject to change)*

**January 2026**  
 5 Staff Returns TODAY, PD  
**NO STUDENTS**  
 6 Students Return TODAY @ 8am,  
 3rd Quarter Begins TODAY  
 16 December PBIS Event (Skating)  
**19 ML King Jr. Holiday, NO SCHOOL**  
 20 Staff & Students return to school TODAY

**February 2026**  
 4 LEAP Parent Day (grades 3-8),  
 9 am in the Parent Resource Ctr.  
 7 Marching Warriors in 1st Mardi Gras Parade of the season—Pontchartrain Parade  
 12 PD Day for teachers, **NO SCHOOL** for students; 3rd Quarter Progress Report Conferences for parents, 8:30-11:30 am;  
 Marching Warriors in Chaos Parade;  
**13 NO SCHOOL for students and staff, classes resume Monday, February 23 at 8:00 am**  
 14 Marching Warriors in Iris Parade  
 15 Marching Warriors in Mid-City Parade  
**23 School resumes for all Warriors**  
 22 Black History Spirit Week  
 26 C.L.A.S.S. BOD Mtg, 6:30 pm  
 27 Black History Program, Parents Invited, Time: 9:00 am

**March 2026**  
 6 8th Grade Chicken Fundraiser  
**9-13 3rd Qtr Exams**  
 16 4th Qtr Begins  
**18 Report Cards Issued to students via Wednesday's Warrior Folder**  
**20 Founder's Day Parade (honoring Miss Fannie C. Williams); Crawfish Boil**  
**23 Scholastic Spring Book Fair Week**  
**25 PD Day, NO SCHOOL for students**  
**27 Donuts with Dads, Time: 9:00 am.** All dads and father figures invited.

**Coming Soon**  
**State Testing** for all scholars in grades 3-8.  
**April 20-May 1, 2026**  
 Please make sure your child is in attendance each day, prompt, polite, prepared, & productive!

**Our School Year**  
**Aug. 4, 2025 - May 14, 2026**

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

January 21, 2026  
 Dear Warrior Parents/Guardians,



Have you ever heard of the medical term “herd immunity?” **Herd or community immunity** is a term used in public health to describe the phenomenon where large groups of the population becomes immune to a contagious disease.

The collective protection protects individuals who cannot be vaccinated, such as infants, the elderly, people with weakened immune systems or those who don't respond well to vaccinations. This is why it is important for expecting mothers to make sure their household and close family members vaccinations are up to date to protect the newest addition to the family.

The percentage (%) of the population that must be resistant to the disease (virus or bacteria), the disease has fewer “susceptible hosts” to infect. Therefore, the chain of transmission is halted because the disease often encounters immune individuals who do not get sick or pass it on, causing the outbreak to die out.

How much of the population (or school community) must be immune to achieve herd immunity is called the **threshold**. This number varies, but is often quoted as about 95% for extremely high contagiousness diseases like the measles (one of the easiest disease to catch). COVID-19 more transmissible strains like Omicron is calculated at about 90%.

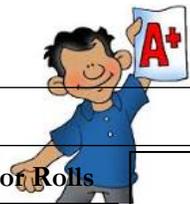
Vaccinations are the safest and most commanding way to reach herd immunity with the widespread illness or death (remember early 2020 and COVID).

There are limitations and challenges to herd immunity. Some viruses, like influenza (the flu) or the virus that causes COVID-19 change often. Immunity against one variant may not protect against another (known as pathogen mutation). Protection from some vaccines or infections decreases over time, requiring boosters to maintain the herd immunity (waning immunity).

There are some diseases that are non-contagious, you contract them from the environment rather than from another person. Tetanus would be an example of this type of disease. Herd immunity does not apply to diseases like this (non-contagious).

Free-riding occurs when vaccination rates drop due to vaccine hesitancy, causing herd immunity to break down. It will eventually lead to the return of diseases we had previously eliminated like measles.

We protect each other and the weak among us when take time to get vaccinated. ###  
 Source: cdc.org; historyofvaccines.org; quantamagazine.org; worldhealthorganization.org



**2nd Quarter Honor Rolls**

**Principal's Honor Roll**

4.0 GPA

Name	Grade
Nathan Lopez	1
Lesus Mosely	1
Aram Nolberto	1
Carlos Peralta	1
Semaj Smith	1
Wynter Steward	1
April Batiz-Medina	4
Skye Lewis	7

**"A" Honor Roll**

3.9-3.5 GPA

Gabrianna Ashford	1
Harmony Collor	1
Axel Godoy	1
Bella Griffin	1
Zyon Jefferson	1
Danielle Jones	1
Taelynn LeBlanc	1
Leonardo Matomoros	1
DeLilah Rainey	1
Maria Reyes	1
Raizel Sacaza Puerto	1
Desmond Surtain, Jr.	1
Erin Hunter	2
Madison Phillips	2
Philip Smith III	2
Jeremias Nee Tobias	2
Laila Allen	3
Linnette Davila	3
Thai Greenberry	3
Patrick Velasquez-Alvares	3
Torin Brown	4
Eileen Chirinos	4
Zachii Alveris	6
Tarell McGowan, Jr.	6
Tia Jones	7
Zaire Lymuel	7
Jazmin Martinez	7
Carla Peralta	7
Josue Caleb Aguilar	8
Rayne Conley	8
Melody DeGruy	8
Ashli Godoy	8

**"B" Honor Roll**

3.4-3.0 GPA

Ariel Aguilar	1
Diego Amaya	1
Jefferey Braggs, Jr.	1
Chozen Brown	1
Kaydence Edwards	1
Justin Harvey	1
Taraji James	1
Dior Johnson	1
Charm McKnight	1
Miracle Nealy	1
Liam Rodriguez	1
Donald Allen	2
Ameer Burns	2
Lexi Colette	2
Etana Draughn	2
Kayson Edwards	2
Semaj Edwards	2
Glen Finister Andrews, Jr.	2
Ju'elz McGee	2
Taliyah McGowan	2
Blair Sheppard	2
Dylan Veliz	2
Izzy Watson	2
A'sa Cole	3
Tamryn Washington	3
Kevin Williams, Jr.	3
Kailyn Alvarez	4
Kianny Alvarez	4
Maleeya Armstrong	4
Demi Johnson	4
Jaicion Lemons	4
Nia Quinn	4
Mario Rochez, Jr.	4
Angel Williams	4
Skylah Marigny-Johnson	5
Karlle Steward	5
Jamahl Washington, Jr.	5
Zi'kia Wissem	5
Drake Hall	6
Guilmer Bermudez	7
Terry Jackson, Jr.	7
Blaize Lemons	7
Rontral Martin	7
Noreli Mejia	7
Chadwick Steele, Jr.	7
India Washington	7
Leiloni Adams	8
Gabrielle Ashford	8
Nia Austin	8
Ashly Chirinos	8
Jamyra Garrison	8
Reagan Hilton	8
Karley Holmes	8
Ah'moid Nathan	8
Nakai Quinn	8
Jace Tyson	8
Skylar Tyson	8
Jordyn White	8

**Congratulations** to the **98 Warriors** who worked hard to make the Honor Roll this period!



Shout out to the following Warriors who had **PERFECT** Attendance for the 2nd Quarter (October 2025-December 2025).

Laila A.	Jayden M.
Louis A.	Aram N.
Jefferey B.	Bria P.
Hailey D.	Christian P.
Ariel F.	Layla R.
Brooklyn H.	Wynter S.
Karley H.	Pilar V.
Danielle J.	E'Lynn W.
Karter J.	Darryl W.
Kai J.	India W.
Lhandyn L.	Izzy W.
Hakeem L.	Zaniya W.
	Kendrick Z.



*Pics from Award's Friday, January 9. Students receive certificates for honor roll and perfect attendance.*



**Grading Scale**

as mandated by the state of Louisiana

A = 100-90	3.5-4.0
B = 89-80	2.4-3.4
C = 79-70	1.5-2.4
D = 69-60	1.0-1.4
F = 59-0	Below 1.0

**FCWCS Honor Roll**

Principal's Honor Roll	4.0 GPA
"A" Honor Roll	3.9-3.5
"B" Honor Roll	3.4-3.0

Photos courtesy of A. Jones. Thanks.



## FCWCS Student Council Teaches Leadership

Middle School provides an opportunity for adolescents to develop from “little” scholars to “big” scholars. It is the bridge between elementary school and high school.

Our oldest pupils are prepping for high school and their futures as adults. They must be in an environment that provides an education that is developmentally responsive, challenging, empowering, and equitable. It is the empowering attributes that makes the Student Council organization so important.

The FCW Student Council plays an important role in building community and encouraging student leadership at our school. Through collaboration, service projects, and school-wide initiatives, our Student Council works to amplify student voices and support a positive school culture.

Over the past three years, students have led meaningful efforts, including the first and second Fannie Family Free Market, a community clean-up at Joe Brown Park, the “Together, We Can” canned goods drive, a positive affirmation initiative (that promoted kindness and confidence), and a weekly Friday Word Scramble challenge that was designed to strengthen literacy skills in a fun, school-wide way.

We are proud of the dedication and creativity our students bring as they help shape meaningful experiences for our school community. ###

—Ms. G. Holland,  
FCWCS Student Council Advisor

### Student Council Officers & Representatives

- 2025-2026  
**President**  
 Ah'moid Nathan  
**Vice-President**  
 Rayne Conley  
**Secretary**  
 Nakai Quinn  
**Treasurer**  
 Zaire Lymuel  
**ESL Student Representative**  
 Ashli Godoy  
**5th Grade Representative**  
 Jacob Wilson  
**6th Grade Representatives**  
 Drake Hall & Chance McKnight  
**7th Grade Representatives**  
 Donte Brown & Rontral Martin



*The year begins on the campaign trail, with Warriors making themselves known to their schoolmates. Voters love pizza and a show of talent.*



Our ambassadors meet and greet all who venture to our campus. Pictured are the members of the FCW Student Council, our

“Officer Friendly” C. Johnson (red shirt) and City Council District E councilman Jason Hughes.



*Once the votes are in and counted, the real work begins with projects that not only help, but teach valuable lessons to our students. Students take part in the annual can good drive, the Fannie Family Free Market (the free gently used clothing give away), and the community clean-up at Joe Brown Park.*

*These young people serve as our ambassadors—linking FCW and the NOE community.*

*Great job Warriors!*

 The 2025 Christmas Program Committee 



Shout out to the FCW Staff who produced our annual Christmas Program. They are: (standing, left to right) A. Singleton, S. Tolliver, B. Sisco, C. Lewis, D. Bray, L. Shan, S. Gibson, T. Andrews,

and T. LeBeau. (seated on stage): R. Deal, D. Williams, K. Washington, R. Harrell, N. Marigny, M. Hodges, Q. Lowe, S. Jordon, C. Robichaux, S. Taylor, W. "Santa" Steward, K. Green, K.

Eschman, K. Leblanc, I. Hall, S. Theard, H. Grey, W. Smith, and Z. Bercy. Seated on the is student MC Kedrick.

**School Lunch Program**

Growing children need to eat three meals per day. Decades ago, children often came to school hungry. A hungry child cannot achieve academic success.

Thus, our school provide breakfast, lunch, and a snack (for after school students).

Every Warrior is entitled to breakfast and lunch. Parents are encouraged to visit the school's website ([fcwcs.org](http://fcwcs.org)) to review the month's meals. If the day's meal (especially lunch) is not to your child's

taste buds, send them with something to "tie them over" until they get home for dinner. Please do not send "junk" food, it is not allowed in the school's cafeteria where federal dollars pay for the food program (see pg. 10 of the online handbook).

Scroll down the homepage of the website until you see Breakfast/ Lunch/ Snack Menu 2025-2026 Click Here. Enter the school's name and which menu you want to view.

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School Lunches are provided by . . .

**Genuine Foods**

Good Food Does Good

*Menus are subject to change*

**Carpooling Important Info**



Parents/guardians who drop off their pupils in the morning are reminded that FCWCS is not liable for students arriving before 7:30 am.

**If you arrive before 7:30 am, please keep your child in the car with you until staff arrives.** This allows staff

members an opportunity to sign in and get into place in the carpool line, at the bus drop off in the rear, and in the building. Once staff exits the building, it is safe to let your child leave your vehicle.

Thanks for your cooperation.

-Kelly S. Batiste,  
Principal, CEO

Mark your calendars for the . . .

# 3rd Annual Founders Day Parade

Fannie C. Williams Charter School

## FOUNDERS DAY Parade

Join the Celebration

**FRIDAY MARCH 20TH 10AM 2026**

Students, Parents, and N.O East Community are all welcome!

**PARADE ROUTE**  
 Start: Bullard Ave & Dwyer Rd  
 Travel: Down Bullard Ave  
 Left Turn: Winrock Dr & Bullard Ave  
 End: FCWCS Front Gate @ Bullard Ave

**What is Founders Day?** On the Friday closest to the birthday of New Orleans educator Miss Fannie Cornelia Williams, we honor her with a parade.

Miss Williams was born in Biloxi, Mississippi on March 23, 1882. She made her way to New Orleans to receive a high school and college education that was not available to her in Mississippi. In 1904, Williams graduated from Straight College (a school that later merged with New Orleans University to form Dillard University).

Her contributions to the education of black students in the New Orleans during the early twenty century was phenomenon! As the leader of the 7th Ward's Valena C. Jones School, the following were just a few of her many accomplishments:

- Williams promoted the idea of nursery (now known as Pre-K) and kindergarten classes for black children in New Orleans Public schools;
  - The first American Girl Scout Troop was begun at Jones School under her direction in 1954;
  - She served on three White House Conferences on Education during the administration of Hoover, FDR/Roosevelt, and Truman;
  - Miss Williams was the president of the National Association of Teachers in Colored Schools;
  - She was recipient of awards from the American Teacher's Association;
  - She held seats on the Board of Directors for Dillard University and Flint-Goodridge Hospital;
  - Miss Williams lived to the age of 98. She is buried in St. Louis Cemetery #3 on Esplanade Avenue;
  - NOPS decided to honor her memory with a much needed middle school in New Orleans East in the late 1980s. FCWCS decided to retain the name when we became a charter 15 years ago.
- ###

Photos from past Founders Day Celebrations



Our earliest celebration of Miss Williams dates back to about 2012. The earliest celebration entailed balloons on the front stairs and the singing of "Happy Birthday" to Miss Williams and students celebrating a birthday that week. Principal Batiste also purchased a cake.

Librarian LeBlanc made sure to have the cafeteria prepare something special—baked chicken and a piece cake for Warriors (above). The band would come in the café and play during each lunch period.

March 2024, the idea of a Founders Day parade developed, complete with a Grand Marshall (right), unique automobiles, NOE bands, and our Scouts, Buffalo Soldiers, and other horse riding groups.



Dr. D. Love receives the Grand Marshall sash from Admin. Asst. G. Batiste-Johnson, 2024.



There's no parade without the Marching Warriors, March 2025



Parade Lt.s. T. Batiste, G. Johnson, K. Batiste, C. Lewis, K. LeBlanc, and A. Wilson are all smiles after the first parade, 2024.



COMING SOON!

PRIME TIME

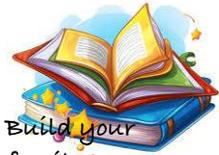
**Prime Time Spring: Family Reading Fun!!!**

Ages 6-10 years, but older siblings welcome to accompany. Join us for our six-week family reading program where kids grow their reading skills and parents learn fun to support the this important skill in their home.

**When:** Thursday, February 26-Thursday, April 2, 2026 (6 weeks)  
**Who:** Families attend together (parent participation required)  
**What:** Dinner, story, and a free book (one per family)  
**Why:** Read together, bond together, grow together

Build Strong Readers. Build Stronger Families!!!

Details to register coming soon! Be on the lookout! Join the fun!!!



Build your family's library by collecting a new title each week!

**Why We Read . . .**

Why is reading so important? science-backed benefits of reading, according to experts.

1. Regular reading sharpens vocabulary;
2. It reduces the brain's rate of decline in old age;
3. It expands emotional intelligence and well-being;
4. Reading can be fun;
5. It gives your brain a workout;
6. It melts away stress;
7. It boosts mental wellness;
8. It develops empathy;
9. It's a great motivator;
10. It helps you sleep better;
11. It builds community;
12. It helps you learn new things.

Source: Reader's Digest  
[www.rd.com](http://www.rd.com)

Did you know . . .

**Reading is fundamental for all learning**

There are many things we do at FCW to teach and enhance reading.

Starting with our youngest learners, we begin with the basics, teaching the letters of the alphabet. Reading and writing will grow from this basic instruction. We have the **Prime Time for Families Program** (see above), D.E.A.R. (Drop Everything And Read), the Kedila Afterschool Program that assists with academics, I-Ready Reading (and Math), IXL, and Achieve 3000. All geared to teaching and improving reading skills of our students. Can you imagine learning anything that does not entail reading? It is important that we instruct our pupils at home and school of the importance of mastering this fundamental skill.

Before radio, TV, and social media all news of what was happening in the community and the world was handled through newspaper. During

this month of Black History, we often think about how the first thing the formerly enslaved wanted to do was the go to school to learn to read and write. It was usually "The Bible" that 19th century formerly enslaved wanted to read first.

We must encourage our young people to read by finding topics of interest that would inspire them. Students (especially males) will spend hours learning how to master a video game on a play console. They will often have to be told to take a break. What if we could get them to embrace reading with that same energy?

They must be encouraged at a young age with books. Growing up with books in the home and parents, older siblings, grandparents, aunts, or uncles, etc. reading to them as part of a nighttime ritual. Being raised in a house with books. Growing up visiting the public library, borrowing books for the school's library for reading in the classroom (D.E.A.R. Time for example), shopping at the Scholastic Book Fair, visiting bookstores for a "book treat," and let's not forget seeing their parents read. ###



Young Warrior (top photo) reads silently during Thursday's D.E.A.R. 15 minute session (photo by K. Batiste). Enticing students to read may be done a little at a time, then increased as they adjust to it.



Lunch is over and Ms. S. Gibson uses the opportunity to listen to her second graders read out loud to her. This is a good use of about 10 minutes of "down"



time, to complete a lesson begun in the classroom. Every minute counts during the 7-hour school day. Great job Ms. G and Warriors!

First grader looks over his selection during his class's weekly library time. More than 300 books were added to the school's library at a cost of \$5000. First, second, and third graders are the Warrior's Library best patrons.



### 7th District NOPD Awards HP Chromebooks

Parents of students 3-8 were offered the opportunity to borrow Chromebooks for home use to complete homework and class assignments.

Students can utilize these devices for I-Ready, IXL, and Achieve 3000 and other applications that have been installed. Also, LEAP 2026 Test Practice items can be accessed.

To the delight of several students, officers from the 7th

District of New Orleans Police Department were on hand during the Holiday Program December 19th to present Warriors with their own personal new Chromebooks.

Thanks to Capt. Kevin Stamps, Officer C. Johnson, Jr. (our school resource officer) and the rest of the officers present to make the presentations. ###

*Pictured are four student recipients of the new HP Chromebooks. Thanks 7th District Officers!*



### Librarian LeBlanc Offers Free Meals for Reading

First, second, and third grade readers have another reason to read. Their teachers have been given bookmarks, the Panda Reading Tracker, to record the weekly books they are choosing from the school's library.

Once they reach five, they are entitled to a gift card for a free Cub's Meal from Panda Express.

Parents if you see these item in your child's book bag, please don't throw it away. Make a trip to the nearest Panda Express to redeem for your reader. ###



*The Panda Reading Tracker on left is signed by your child's teacher to keep track of books read. Upon completion of the tracker, they will receive the card (above). There is a QR Code on the back that can be redeemed for the kid's meal.*

*Checking out your find means standing in line (above); Finding the right book means looking low for a treasure (right); Kedila Afterschool provides an opportunity to finish classwork on a Chromebook and get help if needed; Mrs. Joseph awaits one of our younger Warriors completion of a homework assignment.*



*Homework is started during the hour long academic portion of the after school*

*program. Parents are asked to view and make sure their child has completed it.*



After school group of 5th graders is called Empowering Girls. That's G. Johnson (red jacket) and Tulane University's S. Ramsey leading the afternoon's activity.

Does your Warrior's Homeroom have one of these banners outside it's door? The competition is keen weekly to get everybody to school promptly!

It's Carnival Time and Mrs. LeBlanc's art class are making masking in the traditional colors of Mardi Gras—yellow, green, and purple. Check out their musical playlist.

The two stars below were presented to Mrs. K. Batiste during a recent NOPS-LA meeting. Our School Performance Score increased 2-4 points and we were hailed as a Top 10 School for LEAP Master Growth for the 2024-2025 school year. We're not where we want to be, but we can achieve it with hard work of the entire team—school and home.



Middle schoolers tell of their positive experiences with the Laureus USA Sport at FCW. That's Mrs. LeBlanc, our school's coordinator and Tiffany Aidoo (left);

Shout out to our two recent college grads—K. Carter (left) and C. Guerrero (right). Both earned bachelor's degrees with emphasis in education. Improving their credentials, improves our teaching power. Thanks ladies for all you do!



Kedila Afterschool Program is financed through a state and federal grant that entails academics and enrichment activities. Band director D. Bray looks over the shoulder of one of his musicians during the academic hour.

That's Coach W. Steward (below) helping a Pre-K scholar with a coloring homework assignment. Males are a great asset in a Pre-K through 8 grade school such as FCW.



Picture from Our Past . . .



Schools and homes are partnerships and we appreciate parents who take part in the many activities at FCW!. This mom checks her son's arts & crafts project during Thursday's Prime Time for Family Reading Program.

Picture from Our Past features a 1st grader in Computer Lit class, October 30, 2018. Warriors, can you identify her? Facial features haven't changed.



# WARRIOR NEWS

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## WARRIOR NEWS JANUARY 2026

### 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](mailto:enrollment@fcwcs.org)

Follow us on . . .





**ClassDojo** **Instagram** **facebook**

### 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](mailto:info@fcwcs.org)



Changing Contact Info  
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### Chromebook Tech Support

C. Lewis  
[techsupport@fcwcs.org](mailto:techsupport@fcwcs.org)

Homework Assistance  
(State of Louisiana)  
<http://homeworkla.org>

Warrior Family Handbook  
[fcwcs.org](http://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 12, 2026  
Time: 8:30-11:30 am

FANNIE C. WILLIAMS CHARTER SCHOOL

## AFTER-SCHOOL POPCORN SALE

Fresh • Hot • Delicious!

Only **\$2.00** per bag

Every Tuesday & Thursday

- Right after dismissal
- School Gym Lobby

Proceeds support our student activities.



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](http://fcwcs.org).