



Cardinal 101



Welcome!

Dear FWC Families,

On behalf of Fort Worth Christian Lower School, welcome! We are so excited that you are here.

As a new family, we desire to help you navigate our community as best we can. We hope this packet helps you to acclimate and prepare for a successful start at FWC. If you have additional questions at any time, please don't hesitate to call the Lower School direct line 817-520-6503.

Thank you for not only choosing Fort Worth Christian, but more importantly for allowing us to be an integral part of your child's and your family's story. We look forward to all the amazing things God has in store for us this year!

Sincerely,

Dr. Allison Bearden

FWC Lower School Head

FWC Mission

Fort Worth Christian is a Christ-centered, college preparatory school where every student is known, loved, and valued, taught excellence in and out of the classroom, and empowered by a biblical worldview.

Who are we?

Meet the Office Staff!



Dr. Allison Bearden
Lower School Division Head
A.K.A. - The Principal



Mr. Nate Sanford
Lower School Division Assistant Head
A.K.A. - The Assistant Principal



Mrs. Tiffany Morgan
LS Administrative Assistant



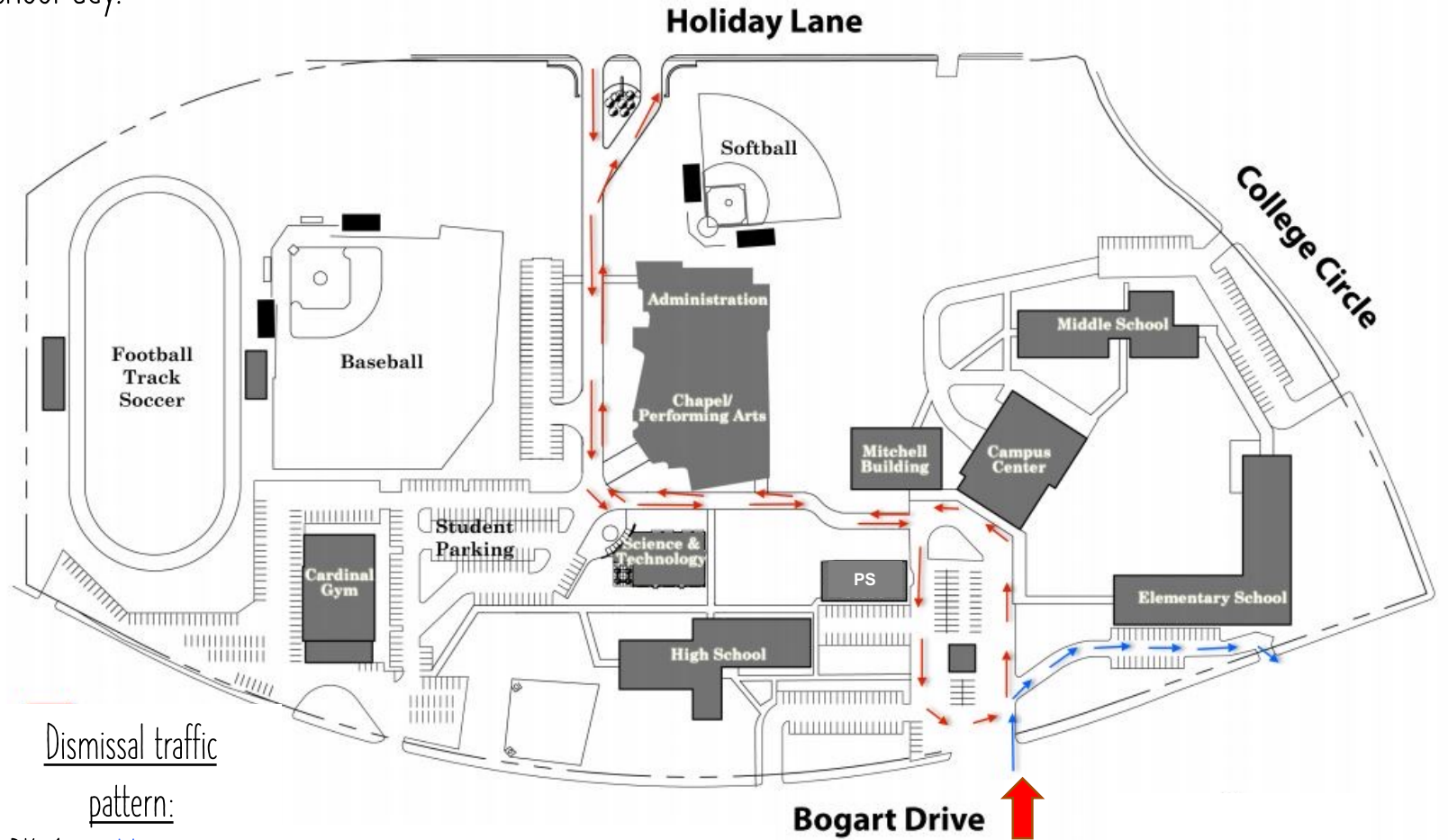
Nurse Sarah Beck
LS Nurse



Day-to-Day
Life at FWC

Arrival & Dismissal

The Holiday Lane gate is used during the school day.



Dismissal traffic

pattern:

PK-1st - blue arrows.

2nd-5th - red arrows.

Bogart gates are open for arrival and dismissal only.

Arrival & Dismissal Details

Arrival

- You can enter at Holiday Lane or Bogart Drive
- Doors open at 7:45am. Students can enter the west door or the front door
- Staff members are stationed at the doors and in the halls every morning to welcome students
- Parents can walk their students to class between 7:45–7:55
- School begins at 7:55. Any students arriving after 7:55 must be signed in at the office.

Arrival & Dismissal Details

Dismissal

- You can enter through Holiday Lane or Bogart Drive (for blue line ONLY)
- All families will be given a carline tag that must be visible at pickup
- Students must be picked up in car line - there is not a walk-up option
 - *On the first day of school, PK-K families can pick up and drop off at the classrooms
- In order to keep efficient traffic flow, please remain in your car and your students will be brought to you
- PK-1st students (blue traffic line) will be dismissed at 3:00pm
- 2nd-5th students (red traffic line) will be dismissed at 3:15pm
- PK-5th students that have siblings in the lower school will be dismissed out the West door (red traffic line) at 3:15pm

In order to keep our dismissal lines running smoothly,
any students leaving early MUST to be picked up from the office by 2:30pm

Cardinal Club

Cardinal Club is a program conveniently located on campus to provide supervision for students (PK-5th grade for the LS & 6th-8th for the MS) at an additional fee.

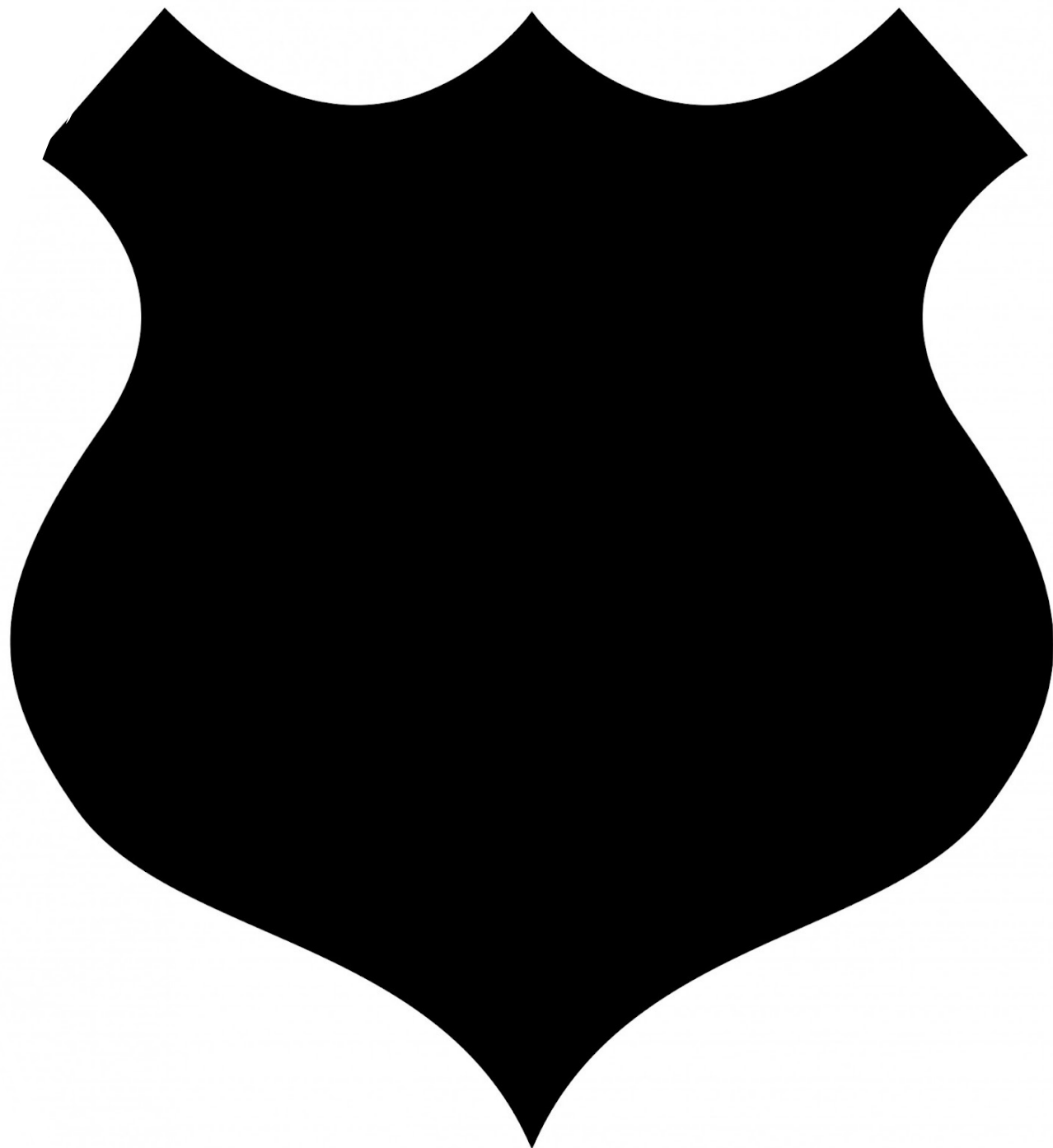
Hours of operation: Monday-Friday from dismissal until 5:30

On an early dismissal day, all students attending will need a sack lunch.

To sign up, contact Daysha Sanford dsanford@fwc.org.

Cardinal Club cell phone 817-470-6259

*Safety
and
Security*



Safety and Security

- We have a locked down campus that utilizes camera systems and has an armed security officer on campus full time
- Gates are open during arrival and dismissal only. During the school day, all visitors must enter through the main gates on Holiday Lane.
- Our security officer is on campus daily from 7:00am to 4:00pm
- All visitors and volunteers must buzz into any building where they will sign in, provide their driver's license, and receive a visitor's badge that must be worn at all times while on campus
- Regular practice drills take place for fire, tornado, and lockdown procedures

Back to School Events



Mark Your Calendar...

Saturday, August 5th @ 10am-12pm - Back to School Bash and PTF Sell and Swap



Tuesday, August 8th @ 5:00pm - Meet the Teacher (preschool - 5th Grade)



Thursday, August 10th after drop off - 1st Day of School/Coffee and Refreshments in the Campus Center

Uniforms



Lower School Uniform Guide

New This Year: Khaki pants and shorts can be bought from any retailer as long as they are within the same shade of color

Girls	Boys
<p>Shirt: Red Knit with Monogram or Dry Weave</p> <p>Jumper: Bib or Drop Waist</p> <p>Skirt (4th & 5th grade only): Plaid Skirt</p> <p>Pants: Khaki Slacks, Shorts or Skort</p>	<p>Shirt: Red Knit with Monogram</p> <p>Pants: Khaki Slacks or Shorts</p>
<p>*All students must have at least one red polo for special events*</p>	

Lower School Uniform Guide cont...

Accessories

- Socks: White, Black or Red
- Leggings: White, Black or Red

Optional

- Shirts: Black or White Knit; White Oxford
- Belt: Black or Brown
- Fleece: Black with Crest
- Red Cardigan: V-Neck or Vest

Lower School Uniform Guide cont...

Shoes

- Athletic Shoes or boots (no Crocs, flip flops, lights, shoes without a back, wheels or discs)
- Girls are permitted to wear sandals with a back

Spirit Wear Days

On Fridays, students have the option to wear any spirit shirt that is purchased from the Cardinal Store with jeans. Jeans are not to have rips or holes.

Cardinal Store Information

- The Cardinal Store is located in between the Mitchell Gym and Campus Center
- The store opens July 31st and regular hours until school begins are Monday - Friday 10am-4pm
- They will also be open from 9am-12pm on August 5th during the Back to School Bash
- Regular school year store hours are 7:15am-12pm; 2:30pm- 4pm
- For more information on uniforms, you can look in your Cardinal 411 folder, or contact our cardinal store manager, Terri Ryan at tryan@fwc.org or 817-520-6520.

The logo features the text "Cardinal Cafe" in a white, cursive script font, centered within a dark navy blue oval. The oval is outlined with a thick red border. Below the text, a horizontal red line with a slight wavy texture spans the width of the text.

Cardinal Cafe

Cardinal Café Details

Our lunch provider is Dinner is Served, by Lance Yowell

Cafe Menu:

- The monthly menu will be posted in grade level newsletters and on the website. My FWC, MyFWC Quick Links
- Friday's menu will rotate between Cane's & Papa John's
- A la Carte is available for 3rd–5th grade only
- Lunch is not provided on early dismissal days

Payment Options:

- PayPal – Contact Lance Yowell, lance@dinnerisserved.org to make online payments through PayPal. You can access PayPal through the family portal on the FWC website.
- Cash/Check – You can send cash or check in an envelope to the office with your student's name on the front. If paying with a check, please include your students name on the check memo line.

Cardinal Café Details

<u>LS Lunch Schedule</u>	
PK/TK	10:55 – 11:25
K	11:00–11:30
1st	11:05–11:35
2nd & 3rd	11:10–11:35
4th & 5th	11:15–11:45

<u>Lunch Prices</u>	
PK – 2nd	\$3.90
3rd – 5th	\$4.25
6th–12th	\$4.85

Community



We Love Our Volunteers!

- What is PTF?
Parent
Teacher
Fellowship
- FWC's administration, teachers and parents work in cooperation to fulfill our school's mission.
- PTF provides opportunities for parents to get involved and build community through prayer, service, and fellowship through various special events.
- Our goal is to partner with you to strengthen community and fellowship for every FWC student and family to help make the school truly excellent in and out of the classroom.

PTF Events

Uniform Swap &
Shop

Teacher & Staff
Luncheons

Grandparents' &
Special Friends' Day

Moms' Canton Trip

Teacher/Staff
Sponsorship

Lower School Read-
In

Lower School Field &
Fun Day

Teacher Appreciation
Week

School Supplies
Distribution

Christmas Wrapped
With Love

Community Volunteer Opportunities for FWC Dads

FWC Dads' Club:

- Dads who represent the many hard-working FWC dads who honor God, love their family, & serve our school. If you wish to join the Dads' Club, contact Frank Dale- fdale@fwc.org
- Open to all FWC dads and granddads who love to serve!

All Pro Dads:

- Provides an opportunity for dads to spend quality time with their children that will strengthen their relationship. The 1st Thursday of each month you'll get to join other dads and students at school for a fun, memory-making event. Meetings are held in the campus center at 7:00am. Contact Price Granger; price.granger@gmail.com

First Step of Volunteering...

For the safety and security of all our students, we require volunteers to have a background check prior to volunteering and chaperoning field trips.

- Pre-schedule with the staff member with whom you are working to complete the required background check
- Volunteer background forms are on the website under "Community", drop down "Quick Links", Volunteer background check form." You can also contact Mrs. Morgan in the LS office for a copy.
- You'll receive an email with links to complete training videos
- Please bring your driver's license into the office each time you visit, and receive your visitor's badge

Communication



**Communication
is key to
maintaining a
healthy
partnership.**

Weekly S'more Newsletters (Classroom Info)

Cardinal Communication (LS News & Events)

Remind (Classroom Communication)

FWC is on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram

Lower School Division Information

Lower School Direct Phone Number:

817-520-6503

Lower School Division Head:

Dr. Allison Bearden

Email: abearden@fwc.org

Lower School Assistant Division Head:

Mr. Nate Sanford

Email: nsanford@fwc.org

Mailing Address:

Ft. Worth Christian Lower School

6200 Holiday Lane

North Richland Hills, TX 76180

Regular School Hours:

PK-1st 7:45 a.m. to 3:00p.m

2nd-5th 7:45 a.m. to 3:15 pm

Early Dismissal (*Lunch is not provided.*):

PK-1st 7:45 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

2nd-5th 7:45 a.m. to 11:45 a.m



*It's a great
day to be a
Cardinal!*
