

January 17, 2020

Mt. Baldy, San Bernardino Mountains

Week two of our spring semester in the books as of 3:00pm today! Reminder to students and parents, please keep some dates in mind as we continue through the beginning of the second half of the year. For parents of local families residing in the FJUHSD attendance area only, the FJUHSD Open Enrollment timeframe has been extended from Friday, January 24<sup>th</sup> at 3:00pm until Monday, January 27<sup>th</sup> at 3:00pm. For students, if you feel excessively challenged by the classes you selected, we **may** have another time sensitive means to assist. **Until 3:00pm on Friday, January 24<sup>th</sup>** you may put in a request to your counselor to level down a course or drop an additional class without penalty (7 to 6 classes if you are in 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, or 11<sup>th</sup> grade and 6 to 5 classes if you are in 12<sup>th</sup> grade). **The only caveats are there must be room in the lower-level course, the move works with your schedule, and you have your parent/guardian's permission.** If all these factors fall in line, our counselors can accommodate the request. If this change is desired, students must see their counselor in person at any of the following times **before January 24<sup>th</sup>**: Before 1<sup>st</sup> period, break, lunch, or after school.

10<sup>th</sup> graders and Parents! The Counseling Department is hosting a Sophomore Parent/Guardian Presentation from 5-6 PM on Wednesday, January 22nd. The presentation will be done by each counselor; see below for the location. This presentation is one hour prior to the official start time for Open House so afterwards you may stay and attend. We look forward to seeing you there!

Counseling Presentation Locations:

Sophomores with last names A-B & All AVID Sophomores (Mrs. Morck): Room 503

Sophomores with last names C-I (Mrs. Saleen): Room 507

Sophomores with last names J-L (Ms. Diaz): Room 501

Sophomores with last names M-R (Mrs. Evans): Room 504

Sophomores with last names S-Z (Mrs. Avila): Room 505



Yesterday, our Girls' Soccer team played an important match with Sunny Hills and came away with a hard fought 2-1 victory. Coach, Mike Silzer also sent out a nice email with the picture at right, along some statistics so far for this year's team.

"Thank you to all of you for support today! Girls' Soccer had a nice win today to stay on top of the Freeway League! The team is 10-1 overall record 5-0 in League. In league we have scored 32 goals in 5 games with only 2 goals against! We have scored 55 goals in 11 games many of the opponents against Div 1 and Div 2 teams in non-league competition! This is my first graduating class with the girls program. They are a great group with a lot of talent! They are a lot of fun to watch!

Follow us on Facebook: Troy High Girls Soccer" Instagram: @troygirlssoccer Tik Tok: @troygirlssoccer



Please join us for a fundraising event benefiting our Troy High School students. You'll experience a lovely evening with cocktails dinner, music, auctions, & opportunity drawings. in Warriors Early Bird Price: \$100 (until 1/21) Regular Price: \$125 (after 1/21) To purchase tickets & for details, visit WWW.THETROYDIFFERENCE.ORG

We are getting closer to February 21, 2020!!! Adults, parents, staff, community members, you want to save this date! This annual Troy High School benefit, hosted by our school's Troy Support Organization Foundation (TSO) is being held this year at the Summit House. This venue is a change from the prior two years at the Nixon Presidential Library and it will have a more intimate feel than some of the larger East Room of the White House type rooms at the Nixon Presidential Library—which to be fair is an awesome location but a bit too large...<sup>((())</sup>) Here is great news for procrastinators, the Early Bird ticket pricing has been extended to Friday, February 7<sup>th</sup> mainly due to my tardiness in getting the initial message out regarding the event. Thank you Warriors! Check out our foundation's website, www.thetroydifference.org where you are able to see some of the many programs, extended hours, and equipment that have been purchased on behalf of our students by our foundation.

One Troy Tech / Honors Testing Saturday down and two to go! For the next two Saturdays in a row we will be having our Troy Tech/Honors Testing for our incoming 2020-2021 9<sup>th</sup> graders. Only current 8<sup>th</sup> grade students are allowed to sit for the English and Mathematics exams which are based on 8<sup>th</sup> grade students' knowledge halfway through their 8<sup>th</sup> grade school year. 8<sup>th</sup> grade students may only test on one selected date. Here is more info found on our school website: *Testing: January 11, 18, or 25, 2020 (select one) from 7:30-11:45 a.m. Check-in at North Gym 7:15 a.m. Bring student photo ID or passport, printout of 8th grade schedule listing current math course, and a parent to sign documents. Testing covers mid-year eighth grade content in English and math. The test format is multiple choice questions and an English essay. The best preparation for testing is successful progress in a challenging eighth grade course of study.* 



Congratulations to senior Troy Girls' Basketball athlete, Anaiyah Tu'ua on her nomination for the McDonald's All American High School Basketball Team! If you have been following our team again this year, you have seen her play and can recognize that this recognition is well deserved. Anaiyah, together with her talented teammates play with heart, skill, and are very well coached. The team is always prepared, able to make adjustments, plays with character, and are fun to watch. Congratulations, to Anaiyah on the nomination and best wishes on potentially being named to the McDonald's All American Team!

Our Cyber Teams are at it again in the CyberPatriot competition! For students that love computers and cyber sleuthing, this is a tremendous challenge and opportunity. Ultimately, especially for those with college degrees and experience, there are so many very high paying opportunities in Cyber Security the better question is why would someone not want to do this? Here is an update from Cyber Coach, Mr. Allen Stubblefield on how our CyberPatriot teams are doing so far... *"Troy Cyber took 1st, 2nd and 3rd in the CyberPatriot State round last month in* 

all-service (JROTC) division. We also had a team place 2nd in the all-service Gold division (middle 40% of all teams). Our rivals to the south in Poway, Del Norte HS, swept the top 3 places in the Open division. North Hollywood is not a contender this year because so many of their competitors graduated last year.

We compete at Troy on Saturday, Jan 25 (Chinese New Year) for the semi-finals with 36 Troy teams and 14 middle school teams for the right to advance at Nationals in March in Washington, DC. Our goals for making it to Nationals are:

- 1 team in Open division (maybe a 2nd)

- 2 teams in All-Service division (maybe a 3rd)

- maybe 1 team from Beechwood in Middle School division"

Go Troy Cyber!

Allen Stubblefield

Cyber Defense Teacher and Coach

## **Troy High School Open House 2020**

January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 6:00pm until 7:30pm we are having our annual Open House event! There will be a lot to see, and it is a great opportunity to come to school and speak with teachers and coaches. We will be able to spend time speaking with people about our various programs AVID, Advanced Placement, Cambridge AICE, International Baccalaureate, and Troy Tech Magnet Program, as well as pathways therein such as Media, Business, Computer Science, Cyber Defense, Engineering, and Governmental Leadership (NJROTC). For those in Troy Tech, there is also the opportunity to inquire and ask about the Internship, which is done the summer between 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> grade.

For those with questions about our newest academic program for 2020-21, the Cambridge AICE International Diploma (AICE stands for Advanced International Certificate of Education), there will be additional information and I will also be able to answer questions. It is possible for current 9<sup>th</sup> graders as well as incoming 9<sup>th</sup> graders to obtain the Cambridge AICE diploma.

I had the honor to have been asked in December by Cambridge Senior Manager of North America, Mr. Keith Lucey to attend their Higher Education Advisory Council in La Jolla this week. I was asked to present about Troy High School and why are adding the Cambridge AICE Diploma Program. FYI, we were unofficially approved by Cambridge in October, and officially approved in November, 2019. While in La Jolla, while sitting in on part of their meeting, I was able to learn a little bit about the committee's thought processes and priorities. I thanked the committee and let them know I appreciated the opportunity to present about Troy High School, our students, and how we prepare our students to be successful in college and beyond. Keeping in mind my audience, I was speaking to college and university Vice-Provosts, Vice-Presidents, and Executive Directors of Admissions from the following schools: Duke University, Florida State University, University of Washington, Vanderbilt University, Arizona State University, USC, Columbia University, MIT, Rice University, University of Virginia, and UCLA. During conversation following my presentation, the Vice Provost of Vanderbilt University pointed out that Troy's students were currently in attendance at virtually all their schools. The committee agreed, and commended Troy High School, for successfully preparing our students for college.

## Why do Admissions Officers rate Cambridge so highly?



https://www.cambridgeinternational.org/programmes-and-qualifications/cambridge-

advanced/cambridge-aice-diploma/

It is going to be a fantastic weekend! The rain should be gone today and we have sunny skies with temperatures in the 70's. With the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday on Monday, we have a three-day weekend so I hope some of us have plans that include perhaps hitting the ski/snowboard slopes! I have not yet going skiing this year, and that is not in the cards for me this weekend, but I do think it is going to be great hiking and walking weather. I also received this not so subtle message from Luna the other day. This is how she expresses her displeasure that we have not yet left the house to go on our walk.



Have a wonderful long weekend! I hope everyone has the opportunity to spend time with friends and family and get some much deserved rest and relaxation. I will see everyone back here on Tuesday, January 21<sup>st</sup>!

W. V. Mynster