

March 15, 2024

Drawn by Mrs. Shannon Cogswell, 2024.

Warriors, it a has been a busy week from the beginning to the end! With the end of the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter today, we have Spring Break and then the final push to the end of the 2023-24 school year. There are going to be a lot of great events, with athletics, CAASPP, AP, IB, the Prom, between now and Graduation on May 30, 2024. On with the news!

On Monday we had a special guest on campus when Captain Brett Crozier, US Navy (retired) visited our NJROTC to give a talk on leadership. You may recognize his name, as he was the captain of the aircraft carrier, USS Theodore Roosevelt during the early days of the COVID-19 pandemic. When the carrier with a crew of 5,000 sailors was impacted by the virus he took the steps necessary to protect his crew, when the US Navy was not moving quickly enough. The actions taken by Captain Crozier saved lives of his crew, but cost him his position as captain. Yet the actions he took are the model of leadership to do the right thing even at the risk of personal cost. Could Captain Crozier could have done something differently that would have had less personal risk to him, but would have increased the very real risk of infection and death among his crew? Yes. However, it would have been the wrong decision and against his firmly held belief in his three most important responsibilities. "*Number one, take care of your Sailors. Number two, take care of your Sailors. And number three, take care of your Sailors.* (*Crozier, 2023*)." In the aftermath of Captain Crozier's removal from command, the Secretary of the US Navy was forced to resign for his part in mishandling the matter. At one point it actually looked like Captain Crozier would be reinstated on the USS Theodore Roosevelt, but in the end that did not happen. Instead, the vice admiral in San Diego hired him as the Director of Naval Aviation Readiness, overseeing all 179 Navy air squadrons which allowed him to continue flying fighter jets, specifically. F/A-18s which is what he did until he retired in 2022. He subsequently wrote a book, called *Surf When You Can*, published in 2023.



Here are some pictures of Captain Crozier and his presentation. Our students enjoyed his presentation and the opportunity to ask questions, spend some time speaking with Captain Crozier after our event.





On Tuesday night at our FJUHSD Board of Trustees meeting, two 12<sup>th</sup> grade students from every school in FJUHSD were recognized as *Rising Stars*! Our two students were Mattrina Ifopo Aisea, and Alex Hernandez Aispuro! If you would like to view the presentation, it can be found on our FJUHSD District website. <u>https://www.fjuhsd.org</u> Mattrina is in the blue and Alex is right behind her standing next to me. I am very proud of both Mattrina and Alex and look forward to what they will continue to become and achieve in the future! Great job, Warriors!

## Mental Health Resources:

FJUHSD Virtual Calming Room:<u>https://sites.google.com/fjuhsd.org/fjuhsd-virtual-calming-room/home</u> FJUHSD Mental Health Resources: <u>https://www.fjuhsd.org/domain/1476</u> OC Support and Crisis Resources: <u>https://www.namioc.org/help-support-overview</u>

Your Health Matters! March, 2024 This is a new, wonderful resource! Check it out!





### Niche 2024 Best Schools

We love Troy High School! It is also rewarding to see when other entities that rank schools also agree, and reward the hard work of our Students, Teachers, Parents, Counselors, Staff, FJUHSD Board and Administrators! Thank you, Warrior Family! www.usnews.com/education/best-high-schools/california/districts/fullerton-joint-union-

high/troy-high-school-2247.

<u>**Troy Parents</u>**, from our Counselors and Administrative Team, here is some important information on the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)!</u>

### Dear Troy High School Senior Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

We would like to provide you with information on state legislation, AB 469. The legislation requires all California seniors to complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or California Dream Act (CADAA), and FJUHSD is required to confirm the submission of either application per California Ed Code Section 51225.7. This requirement expands financial aid opportunities for students who may not have the resources to attend a two-year community college or a four-year college or university. The next steps in this process are as follows: If your student is a U.S. citizen or eligible non-citizen, they complete the FAFSA

- The FAFSA is open and has a priority closing deadline of April 2, 2024.
- You and your child must create an FSA ID. Your FSA ID is a digital signature used to sign the

FAFSA application. Create your FSA ID now at:

https://studentaid.gov/fsa-id/create-account/launch

• For informational videos, access their YouTube Channel:

https://www.youtube.com/@FederalStudentAid/featured

If your student is undocumented, has or does not have DACA, has Temporary Protected Status or is a U Visa holder, they complete the CADAA

- The CADAA is open and has a priority closing deadline of April 2, 2024.
- The CADAA application as well as resources may be found here:

#### https://dream.csac.ca.gov/landing

• The CADAA allows students to apply for state financial aid

The School Counseling Department will be hosting financial aid workshops to help senior students complete either application. Keep an eye on emails regarding these events. If you wish to opt out of completing either financial aid form, have your student see their school counselor during drop-in times for an opt-out form. Please note, opting out means your student will not receive potential federal or state student aid.

Thank you in advance for your attention to this important part of your child's senior year. Sincerely,

Troy High School Administration & School Counseling Department



Warriors, this is the QR code for all the FJUHSD social media. There are many, many, awesome events, activities, athletics, and recognitions happening in FJUHSD and Troy High School! Additionally, for even more information for the happenings in FJUHSD here is the link to the March, 2024 FJUHSD Superintendent's Newsletter. This is always a great source for global FJUHSD insights, news, and events! <u>https://conta.cc/3V1Ffr2</u>



From Troy Instrumental Music Director, "We had two groups go out to a music festival, this time at Whittier High School. The Freshmen Concert Band performed Wednesday and received a Unanimous Excellent. This truly is an accomplishment considering they have only been together since the beginning of the spring semester as a single performing ensemble.

The Symphony Orchestra performed Thursday and received a Unanimous Superior! This makes a third Unanimous Superior by three groups here at Troy. Such an accomplishment two years in a row is amazing.

We have one more group, the Symphonic Band, that will go to Santiago HS in Corona after Spring Break. I know they will represent the school well and make us proud.

Along with our concert groups, our winter groups are moving along well. I will share their accomplishments later in the coming weeks."



This weekend our cyber teams are in Washington D.C. for the CyberPatriot Nationals. Team, *Runtime Terror* will be trying to win another championship and make it a total of three for this team, but a first in the Open. A second team, *We Are Troy Tech (W.A.T.T.)* will be trying to win their first championship in the All Services Division. Let's wish all of them the best of luck in the competition! Also, there is a lot of history to see in the Washington D.C. area, so hopefully they will also have an opportunity to see some of the sights!



# 24-25 COURSE REQUEST CONFIRMATION

## **MONDAY, MARCH 25 - FRIDAY, APRIL 5**

During this window, you will be able to view your 2024-2025 course requests in Aeries. If you wish to make changes to your requested course(s), see your school counselor **in person** during drop-in times.

Please scan the QR code to ensure you meet the prerequisites on the appropriate registration presentation.

This will be your **LAST OPPORTUNITY** to modify your 2024-2025 course requests (other than leveling down or dropping an extra class). After Friday, April 5, your courses for the fall semester will be finalized.



Master Chief, Eduardo David, Assistant Principal Tina Wilde, and a number of our NJROTC cadets are onboard the USS Curtis Wilbur (DDG 54) a US Navy Destroyer for a cruise that set sail out of San Diego this morning. They will have the opportunity to experience what it is life and duties are like onboard a vessel such as this, as well as speak with Sailors, such as the one in

the blue ballcap pictured at right. I am sure there are going to be some great stories when they return this afternoon!

### **Facilities Master Plan Engagement Survey: Invitation to Participate**

The Fullerton Joint Union High School District is in the process of developing a comprehensive Long Range Facilities Master Plan. This initiative is crucial for shaping the future of our educational environment, ensuring it meets the evolving needs of our students and community.

As a valued member of our community, your insights and opinions are indispensable to this process. We are currently conducting a Facilities Master Plan Engagement Survey, which is now open for participation from March 1 to March 15. Please click on the image to watch a short video about this. This survey represents a pivotal opportunity for you to contribute to the planning and enhancement of our district's facilities.

Your feedback will play a critical role in informing the proposed plans for our facilities, enabling us to align our strategies with the expectations and requirements of our community. We strongly encourage you to dedicate a few minutes of your time to share your thoughts and perspectives.

To participate in the survey, please click on the following link: <u>FJUHSD - Facilities Master</u> <u>Plan Engagement Survey</u> or scan the QR code below.

We thank you in advance for your valuable input and look forward to your participation in shaping the future of our district's facilities.





## APPLY FOR THE 2024/25 FJUHSD STUDENT BOARD MEMBER POSITION

## **Empowering Student Voice**



Troy Students! This is a fantastic opportunity for current 11<sup>th</sup> graders to serve on our School Board! Each year, a student is elected from one of the seven high schools to be a member of the Fullerton Joint Union High School District Board of Trustees. The student member attends all open Board meetings as the representative of the District's students. Here is the link to the application. The completed application must be returned to the Principal (me) by April 10<sup>th</sup>.

https://www.fjuhsd.org/cms/lib/CA02000098/Centricity/ModuleInstance/12917/SBM%20Applic ation%202024-25-Template.pdf



This photo was sent to me, proving Troy is the gold at the end of the rainbow! Happy St. Patrick's Day! Today, at 3:30pm, is the beginning of Spring Break! As of that time some of us are traveling, visiting friends, family, colleges, and or just resting and relaxing. That being said, a few of us are in athletic or academic competitions, and / or working a few days next week. Regardless of how you will be spending next week, I hope you are able to slow down a little bit, spend time with family and friends, and rest and relax! Luna is dreaming, probably of the pot of



gold (salmon dog food) at the end of the rainbow. For the next few days at least, I am going to be in the sleeping, rest, and relaxation mode. After Spring Break, I will be looking forward to seeing everyone back here on Monday, March 25<sup>th</sup>.

Have a fun and safe, Spring Break! W. Mynster