



TROY HIGH SCHOOL WARRIOR WEEKLY



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Dear Troy Family,

Congratulations to Troy's graduating Class of 2025! Last night we enjoyed a wonderful evening with our families as we celebrated our Class of 2025 and their last celebration of their achievements over their four-years at Troy High School. There are so very many elements of this class that are outstanding, from the numerous individual academic accomplishments of this class, to their accomplishments on academic or athletic teams they are going to be a class to remember.

For this final edition of the Warrior Weekly, I have included all the commencement addresses from our 2025 graduation ceremony. I have also included a link to our graduation ceremony if you missed the ceremony or if you would like to see it again. I hear our drone footage was amazing! Below is the Troy High School graduation ceremony link!

<https://www.youtube.com/live/6qB0t7IzVJU>

Board of Trustees' Address

Vicki Calhoun Board President:

Hello and good afternoon, graduates, faculty, and cherished guests.

My name is Dr. Victoria Calhoun, and I have the honor of serving as your Board President for the Fullerton Joint Union High School District Board of Trustees. It's truly a pleasure to be here with you today to celebrate a major accomplishment—your graduation.

Each of you has worked hard to reach this moment. You showed up for every class, dedicated countless hours to studying, and overcame every barrier with determination. You stayed committed, believed in yourselves, and held on to the belief that anything is possible. And now, you stand ready to begin an exciting new chapter in your lives.

I would like to take a moment to thank Trustee Lauren Klatzker, your incredible Principal Mynster, as well as the Troy school faculty, staff – and your families for all of the support they provided to you along the way. Today is the perfect day to celebrate your achievements.

I'm excited to see where your paths will lead. A public education opens doors—to college, entrepreneurship, or service in our military. Take inspiration from leaders like Colin Powell, the son of Jamaican immigrants who became a four-star general and later the United States Secretary of State. His story reminds us that greatness can come from anywhere, and it often starts in places just like this.

You are living proof of the vision we hold at the Fullerton Joint Union High School District. You are the American story in motion.

So go forward and build an incredible life. Be bold, be brilliant, be amazing—and never stop doing your best. I know you're ready, because your teachers and mentors have prepared you every step of the way.

You all give me chills knowing how hard you've worked to reach this moment. Keep showing up, keep giving your best, and never forget what brought you here.

Thank you, thank you, thank you—and congratulations, graduates!

Senior Commencement Address #1

Anya Pramanick

“Home Away From Home”

Good evening, Class of 2025! My name is Anya Pramanick, and it's an honor to stand before you and share this moment with all of you today as a commencement speaker.

One moment, we were navigating the maze of the 300s building, trying to blend in and not look like total freshman, and the next, we're sitting here in caps and gowns, ready to bid farewell to the place that has become our second home; the place that has shaped us, challenged us, and become a sanctuary where we've grown into the individuals we are today.

Speaking of home, something funny happened during my time here at Troy. Somehow, Troy's address ended up saved as my home address in my phone settings. I have no idea how it happened, but maybe my phone knew something I wasn't ready to admit myself: Troy truly felt like home.

And perhaps that strange little glitch was more symbolic than I thought, a symbol of the unexpected beauty we found here at Troy. Yes, we endured sleepless nights, the stress of exams, and what felt like endless mountains of homework. But somehow, through it all, this place became more than just a school—it became a home filled with laughter, growth, and some of the best memories and best friendships, we've ever made. From the simple joy of hanging out after school or sharing stories in our cars in the parking lot, to dancing our hearts out at prom, to pouring our energy into performing at rallies, we have shared moments that we will carry with us far beyond today. These are the memories that shaped us, the bonds that connect us, and the stories that we will carry forward.

What makes Troy truly special isn't just the academics, the trophies, or the legendary struggle to get through the breezeway. It's the people. We have come from all over, from different cities, backgrounds, and stories. Some of us could walk to school, while others traveled over an hour to get here. Yet, for four years, we met at Troy, in the same classrooms and hallways, working towards a shared goal.

And now, we are headed off in different directions again. No matter where life takes us, we will always have this shared chapter in the story of our lives; we will always be the Troy High School Class of 2025. So, as we walk across this stage into the next part of our lives, let's carry with us the friendships that shaped us, the lessons that guided us, and the memories that made us laugh, cry, and grow. Maybe not our sleep schedules though! And if your phone ever tries to take you back to Troy as your home address or a suggested destination, don't just hit delete; it might just be gently reminding you of where your story began.

Congratulations Class of 2025!

Senior Commencement Address #2

Jerika Javellana
“Troy’s Mind Craft”

TROY'S MIND CRAFT

Good evening and thank you to all teachers, administrators, family, friends and welcome to the graduation ceremony for the class of 2025. My name is **Jerika Javellana** and I am extremely honored to be speaking up here today. After tonight, many of us will leave the gates of this stadium following what the future has for us, but before we do so, it is important to look back over the past 4 years. Today we’re here to celebrate all of our accomplishments and obstacles we faced to end one of the most important chapters of our lives. Originally I titled my speech Nostalgia: hoping to flashback to our childhood and reminisce before we step into mature young adults. Yet, I thought about how to describe my time at Troy, and one thing came to mind: a simple game of *Minecraft*. A block based game where it goes through several adventures of extracting raw materials, crafting tools and items and building structures. I apologize in advance for any corny jokes, so I will try my best to keep it short.

When you begin the game, you don’t get to choose your spawn point, rather you are dropped somewhere random and only your instincts are supposed to guide you. I can still remember my first day of freshman year, sitting in my last class: AP computer science principles. We were stuck in a computer lab, each computer separated by plexiglass, and not being able to see each other's faces behind our masks. This is when Mr Kim asked the question “Who here is attending Troy because of their parents?” and nearly every hand in the room went up. It was up to our 13 and 14 year old selves to build relationships with others and adapt to the high school culture. despite skipping our awkward middle school thanks to zoom. What I believe makes Troy such a special place is that, just like a minecraft server, it is filled with countless opportunities, making each one of us so unique. When I was a kid I preferred to be in creative mode, not taking risks and simply building quietly in my own world. I wasn’t the smartest in the classroom, nor the best athlete on the field, but after countless experiences I was able to grow and build something amazing at Troy. Never did I imagine I’d be emceeing pep rallies, or helping lead chants in the student section, but here I am - speaking in front of all of you. Troy allows us to have the space to discover who we are and exactly what we are capable of. It is a rare kind of world where you can test out each role: being the builder, the explorer, the fighter, and most importantly a leader. What other school are you able to join Football, Choir, Theatre, Cultural Clubs, Track AND still maintain your grades?

It is astounding to think about how fast these years have gone by without even realizing the growth of each individual sitting here today. Through the sleepless nights of bio outlines or having to learn how to balance all 10 of my extracurriculars along with the life of simply being a teenager, some of these challenges seemed frustrating and endless. But just like Minecraft, nobody succeeds alone. You need the right tools, strategies, and most important, the right people to help guide us along the way. Our teachers not only gave us the best education, but helped us in ways we did not always realize. Our families - who always cheered us on and pushed us to be the best, even at our lowest or one heart away from giving up. To everyone sitting in caps and gowns today. You know you truly enjoyed something when you realize you are gonna miss it. I hope you all never forget that every moment of laughter shared or hallway conversation, all of it mattered. We were all villagers living in our own worlds and together we crafted something incredible and unforgettable.

Once the game comes to an end, there is a special credit scene where Minecraft writes a poem which I would like to end my speech with. There's a line that says "And the universe said I love you because you are love. And the universe said everything you need is within you." Although these words are hidden in a block game many of us grew up playing, it turns us back to reality. The lessons we've learned, friendships we've built, and obstacles we've overcome, are all part of the strength and resilience we will take as we enter this new world. We may be logging off or leaving Troy, yet we are only coming out stronger. With better tools, stronger armor, and infinite possibilities ahead of us. Thank you and once again congratulations to the class of 2025!!

Senior Commencement Address #3

Zoey Bahng

"A Race Worth Running"

Congratulations Troy High School class of 2025—we did it!

I am honored to stand with you today and I'm going to try so hard not to cry during this speech, so bear with me.

Today is graduation day: the finish line we've been sprinting toward in the marathon that was high school.

Coming into Troy as a clueless freshman, I was nervous—I feared all the rumors I had heard about this allegedly intense school. But over my four years as a Warrior, I was pleasantly surprised to find that these rumors were true.

Troy *is* rigorous, our classes *are* difficult, and you *do* have to learn how to time-manage. But that expectation has been surpassed by every student here today—it's exactly what pushes us Warriors to raise the bar in every facet of our lives. Whether it be the flag football team pioneering a CIF Championship win or Science Olympiad defending their 28-year legacy as State Champions, Warriors carry themselves with irreplicable passion. Regardless of what impossible challenges we were given, Troy taught us to do it. Do it scared, do it tired, do it together.

Another rumor that I'm sure we've all heard is that Troy is just a "nerd school." Sure, we joke about it ourselves, but we all know deep down that we are *so* much more. Amidst the roaring student section at football games, I *heard* our deafening school spirit. Eating tacos and spam musubis at Food Fest, I *tasted* our diversity. And in every panicked conversation in the math group chat, I *felt* the support and solidarity of my friends. *We* are living proof of the depth of Troy's community.

Let's not forget to thank the whole Warrior family who ran right alongside us students. Thank you to every empowering teacher, counselor, and faculty member who spent their lunches with me, chatting through a difficult concept, a funny story, or a piece of wisdom. ... Now would also be a good time to find your loved ones in the bleachers and give them a wave. ... I know I could never thank my family enough for their long drives, advice sessions, and unwavering support. And before we go our separate ways, look around for the friends who made every typical school day a memory to cherish. ... This whole last week has been a tear-fest at the thought of never eating lunch in Room 415 with my friends again. But as we each chase our dreams, I know we will always be cheering for each other the loudest.

So before we cross this finish line, let's take it all in. (It's okay to be sappy—we earned it.) We stand here today—no longer clueless, no longer scared. Proving every rumor right in unexpectedly beautiful ways, we've outgrown the shoes we once thought too large to fill.

As we lace up for the next marathon of our lives—in college and beyond—I'm excited to stride forward with full confidence. After not only surviving, but *thriving* through Troy's challenges, we are ready to brave the next race head-on.

But before we hit the ground running, let's do our Warrior battle cry together one last time. Ready? T-what???? (T-ROOOYY)

Congratulations seniors, thank you and good luck!

Principal's Commencement Address

Dr. William Mynster

Good evening Troy Family!

Thank you to all of you who have joined us tonight here in person and for those streaming online as we celebrate our Troy High School Class of 2025!

Thank you to our Board President for her thoughtful, kind, and relevant words regarding all of you, our students, faculty, parents, in our Troy Family. Each year, my commencement address purposefully follows our students' commencement addresses specifically because the experts on our student's high school experience are the students sitting on the field. Nobody knows their "why" better than them. Why they came to Troy, what they have learned, who they have become, what they will do with what their knowledge, and where they will be going next, college, career, military, or something else. Regarding this point, 99% of our students go to college, and if you can think of the school, there are probably members of this class who have been accepted there next year. From Abilene Christian University to Washington State, this list also includes nine different students committed next year to attend military service academies at West Point, Air Force Academy, and the U.S. Naval Academy. Troy High School will be well represented in colleges throughout our country and also other countries as our students attend colleges, academies, and universities around the world.

Tonight, you have heard from our students, Anya, Jerika, and Zoey, they gave you some insight into their high school experience and what Troy has meant to them. Thank you to each of them for their commencement addresses, as they contextualized their unique experiences the past four years while having had different and similar experiences as their stories unfolded.

When I listened to their stories, I each see of them, but I also see other students from my time at Troy, and I think many of us do. How many others sitting on the field or having graduated from Troy have had experiences that were similar? When Anya told of trying not to look like a complete freshman while getting lost in the 300 building I could not help but laugh, the same thing has happened to me...(by the way it is impossible to not look like a freshman). Later during her years at Troy her phone told her that Troy is home, and she agreed...this is Troy. When Jerika described the end of her first day of school, each student sitting in her computer science principles class behind plexiglass and wearing masks, (This awful memory was true for everyone coming out of COVID and it was difficult) but soon she embraced the challenges and opportunities, working with the tools taught by Troy's teachers, with the support of her family, and the collective Troy village successfully coming together as a family...this is

Troy. When Zoey wrote of coming to Troy as a clueless freshman, afraid of the rumors of Troy's rigor as an intense school, only to be pleasantly surprised that the rumors are true. (Zoey is not the first student to share this sentiment.) Zoey recognized the value in the rigor, but was thankful that students were not left alone to figure it out, but were empowered by their teachers, counselors, and faculty members some of which spent their lunches with her (and many others) and in so doing taught Troy's students not only to survive but to thrive...this is sooo Troy.

Our students shared their snapshots of four years at Troy, and their expression of how each of them found their place, through community, creation of common bonds, and shared experiences, all of which have united them through their journey of becoming Warriors in our Troy family.

This Class of 2025 is filled with fantastic students. It is also clear, and affirmed by our students through their accomplishments that they have been taught by a fantastic staff of teachers, counselors, and support staff. I would like to take this moment to acknowledge our staff! Nine of our faculty are also graduating with the Class of 2025. They are: Ms. Morck, Ms. Avila, Mr. Anderson, Mr. Koci, Mr. Bainter, Ms. Scott, Ms. Christner, Ms. Morales, and Ms. Kirkpatrick. They have served our students with a combined 255 years of service when they retire tomorrow.

My last thoughts tonight for the Troy Class of 2025, our world needs you. I have made this statement to the last couple graduating classes, and it remains true today. We need you to be the change in the world. Make it better, take what you have learned and use your heart and skills to make a difference in a world that needs the right kind of change inspired by your values of kindness, openness, appreciation, love, humility, tolerance, confidence, acceptance, learning, and leadership. This is who you are. Your Troy High School family is proud of you and we are looking forward to what you will continue to accomplish for decades to come!

Congratulations, to our graduating Troy High School Class of 2025!





May 29, 2025 Troy High School Graduation Ceremony-Class of 2025

Colleges and Universities to which our Class of 2025 graduates will be attending in the Fall

Our Class of 2025 graduates have three major options for the Fall. College, work, or enlistment in the military. We have students doing all three. There are a few graduates enlisting in the Army, Navy, and Marine Corps. There is another larger group that is going to work in various jobs from construction and building supply industries to retail. The largest group of graduates falls into those attending college and universities. Here is a partial list of colleges and universities, and preliminary number of our students that have indicated which college or university they have chosen to attend in the Fall of 2025.

U.S. Army enlist-1, U.S. Airforce enlist-11, U.S. Marine Corps enlist-1, U.S. Navy enlist-3, Associated Builders & Contractors-1, Arizona St. 2, Boise St.-1, Abilene Christian University-1, Azusa Pacific Univ.-6, Babson College-1, Baylor-1, Biola Univ.-3, Brown Univ.-4, Cal Poly Humbolt-1, Cal Poly Pomona-22, Cal Poly SLO-4, Caldwell Univ-1, Cal Baptist-1, Cal Tech-4, Carnegie Mellon-3, Case Western-3, Cerritos College-2, Chapman Univ.-9, Citrus College-1,

Claremont McKenna-1, CMU-1, Colorado School of Mines-1, Colorado St.-1, Cornell Univ-4,
 Columbia Univ.-1, Creighton Univ.-1, CSU Fullerton-36, CSU Long Beach-7, CSU LA-2,
 CSU Maritime Academy-2, CSU Monterey Bay-2, CSU Northridge-2, CSU San Bernardino-2,
 CSU San Marcos-2, Colorado Univ.-1, Cypress College-9, Dartmouth College-1, Drexel Univ.-1
 Duke Univ.-1, Earlham College-1, El Camino College-1, Emory Univ.-1, Fordham Univ.-3,
 Georgia Tech-2, Grand Canyon Univ.-2, Harvard Univ.-3, Indiana Univ.-1, Johns Hopkins-1,
 La Sierra Univ.-1, Loyola Marymount Univ.-1, MIT-3, Mt. Royal Univ.-1, Mt. SAC-7, NYU-4,
 Norco College-1, Northeastern Univ.-6, Orange Coast College-6, Pasadena City College-3,
 Penn State Univ.-1, Pepperdine Univ.-4, Pitzer-1, Princeton-1, Purdue-6, Riverside City Coll.-1,
 Rochester Inst. Of Tech.-1, Rose Hulman Inst. Of Tech.-2, Rutgers Univ.-1, Saddleback Coll.-1,
 San Diego St.-5, San Francisco St.-5, Santa Ana Comm. College-6, Santa Barbara College-1,
 Santiago Canyon-6, Savannah College of Art & Design-1, Seattle Univ.-1, So Cal Inst Archt.-1,
 St Johns College-1, Stanford Univ.-2, Tulane Univ.-1, Univ. of Washington-3, UC Berkeley-30,
 UC Davis-10, UC Irvine-12, UCLA-9, UC Merced-2, UC Riverside-46, UC San Diego-11,
 UC Santa Barbara-15, UC Santa Cruz-8, Univ. MASS-1, ULUC-2, Univ. of Chicago-1, Univ of
 Edinburgh-1, Univ. of Florida-1, Univ. of Hawaii-2, Univ. of Maryland-1, Univ of Michigan-3,
 UNLV-1, Univ. of New Mexico-1, Univ of North Carolina-1, Notre Dame-1, Univ. of Oregon-2,
 Univ. of Oxford-1, Univ. of Pittsburgh-1, Univ. of San Diego-2, Univ. of San Francisco-1,
 USC-3, Univ. of Tennessee-1, Univ. of Texas-2, Univ. of Toronto-2, Univ. of Utah-1,
 Univ. of Wisconsin-4, Vassar College-1, Virginia Tech-2, Washington State-1,
 U.S. Air Force Academy-3, U.S. Military Academy West Point-3, U.S. Naval Academy-1

This list is complete on the basis of what our seniors have revealed. There are a number of
 seniors still weighing their options, and as of the time they took this survey still had not
 committed to a specific school, so the final numbers will change. All in all, all of our graduating
 Class of 2025 has completed a very successful four years at Troy High School, and they are
 prepared for the next stage in their lives. Outstanding job, and truly a great day to be a Warrior!



25-26 School Year Aeries Data Confirmation

All parents and guardians are required to complete the data confirmation process in order for the students to receive their class schedule for the upcoming year and for current parents/guardians to see the final grades for the 24/25 school year. This information will also allow us to secure the appropriate number of teachers to support next year's courses.

So please complete your Data Confirmation today!

Q: How do I complete data confirmation?

A: Parents/guardians must log in to their Aeries account and complete the required questionnaire.

**It is recommended that you use a computer not the app as the app has limited capabilities.*

Parents and Guardians, here is the link to complete Data Confirmation for the 2025-26 school year! <https://mystudent.fjuhsd.org>

Mental Health Resources:

FJUHSD Virtual Calming Room: <https://sites.google.com/fjuhsd.org/fjuhsd-virtual-calming-room/home>

FJUHSD Mental Health Resources: <https://www.fjuhsd.org/domain/1476>

OC Support and Crisis Resources: <https://www.namioc.org/help-support-overview>



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2024 U.S. News & World Report 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!



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, below is the link to the May, 2025 FJUHSD Superintendent's Newsletter. This newsletter is always a great source for global FJUHSD insights, news, and events!

FJUHSD Superintendent's Newsletter link: <https://conta.cc/3YtCJdV>

One of the ways FJUHSD and Troy High School have been measuring student engagement in school, rallies, clubs, and school activities has been to use the 5-Star App. Here is a little more information on how it is used in FJUHSD. Hint: We don't use it as a tracking app. 5-Star has an FAQ that specifically relates to location tracking (or lack thereof).

<https://help.5starstudents.com/hc/en-us/articles/24186201832333-Does-the-5-Star-Students-app-track-a-student-s-location>

TROY HIGH SCHOOL

WEEKLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MONDAY
06/02/25

- Summer School Begins (7:45AM - 1:00PM)

TUESDAY
06/03/25

- Board Meeting (6:00PM)

WEDNESDAY
06/04/25

- No Events

THURSDAY
06/05/25

- No Events

FRIDAY
06/06/25

- No Events

SATURDAY
06/07/25

- No Events



This photo is from last weekend on a nice early spring evening, and Donna and I just arrived back home from dinner. Luna greeted us in the garage and was not interested in waiting for us to get out. However, she was likely wondering why her seat was already occupied...Luna will get over when I take a ride to her favorite fast-food place, Chick-fil-A. ☺

I hope everyone has big plans for the summer! Whatever you may be doing over the summer, if you are taking short or long vacations, internships, summer school, 3-day weekends, or lounging around the pool, enjoy the time and get in the much deserved and needed rest and relaxation! Hopefully, in having the time, you will also be able to spend more time with family and friends and enjoy making more memories!

Troy family, have a wonderful, enjoyable, and safe summer, and I will see everyone back here in August as our first day regular day of school with students is on August 11, 2025!

W.V. Mynster