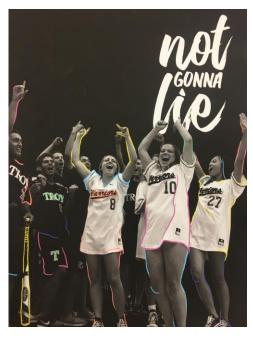


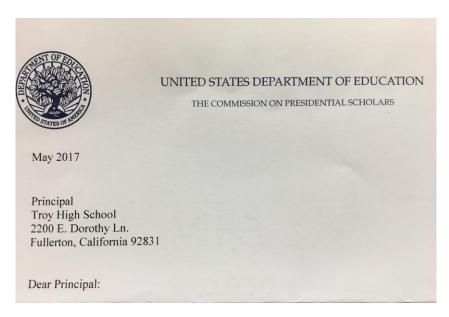
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There are only two weeks left in the 2016-17 school year! We are almost there, and for all of us there is still much left to do before our 50th graduating class takes the stage on May 25th!

If you waited to buy a yearbook, I would not wait too much longer. They have arrived, and they are awesome! It is always difficult for any school yearbook to convey everything in the course of a school year, and that is the challenge. The Troy High School yearbook staff under the direction of Yearbook Adviser, Ms. Ana Link has met this challenge year after year with their efforts consistently recognized for excellence. The 2017 Troy High School Yearbook is a very well done history of our year, so make sure to get yours very soon!



As the Troy High School principal I receive a fair amount of mail on a daily basis. Much of it is junk mail and that gets handled appropriately. On the other end of the spectrum is a letter I received on Monday on this letterhead seen below. The news in this letter was outstanding, and



represents another honor for senior, Mike Bao. He has proven to be exceptional student at Troy High School for his entire four years, but if there were any doubters (highly unlikely) this recognition places Mike in a very select and small club of 161 students that annually receive this honor. In June, Mike will travel to Washington D.C. and will receive the U.S. Presidential Scholar medallion. In a separate email to me, and I don't think Mike's mother, Ms. Jane Zhou will mind me sharing, she expressed how proud she is of Mike. She also expressed that both she and Mike deeply appreciate the platform provided by Troy High School to allow students to develop to their maximum STEM potential. Once again, congratulations to Mike Bao and thank you to everyone along on this journey beginning with his mother, that have supported and encouraged Mike along the way!

https://www2.ed.gov/programs/psp/index.html

Last Friday night at the Freeway League Swim Finals Troy High School came away with some outstanding results! Boys' Varsity are the Freeway League Co-Champions with Sonora High School and our Girls' Varsity Swim finished in 3rd! Keep in mind that we don't have a pool. These students have overcome amazing odds and have maximized their time in the water to achieve these results! Congratulations on a fantastic 2016-17 Swim season!



2017 Champions!

We learned this week that Troy High School qualified two teams for the California State Cyber Defense Championships! The event is up at Cal Poly San Luis Obispo on June 24th and 25th! These are great teams and I am certain our teams will meet the challenges of the competition! Congratulations to all team members and their Coach, Mr. Allen Stubblefield! Cyber Defense/Security is where there are many high paying jobs especially after our students have completed their four year college degree. This is a skill that will transfer to a needed and rewarding career for those that love the challenge!

Last Friday we held the annual Rich Hess Games on our Track and Fields. Students from both Troy and Sonora High Schools participated and it was a great time for all participants. I also believe I observed some Troy Staff members competing in a few events, only to be defeated by our more athletically inclined student body! All of these students everyday do their very best,

strive for greatness, and never give up! All of us at Troy High School are proud of all participants in the Rich Hess Games! Go Warriors!

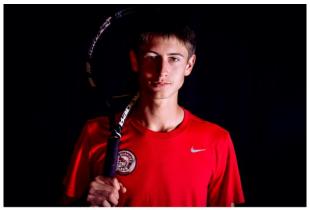




On Wednesday our Softball team played Buena Park High School and also held their Senior Day. Our record is 11-14 overall and 4-6 in league. Our Warriors won this game and showed a lot of talent as they finish this season and look forward to next season.



Also Wednesday in the first round of CIF Tennis we played Ayala High School and we won the match 12-6! This team remains the undefeated 2017 Freeway League Champions. Our team plays again today at Thatcher High School up near Ojai! Go Warriors!



TROY BOYS TENNIS

2017 UNDEFEATED FREEWAY LEAGUE CHAMPIONS

Additionally, for the first time in Boys' Golf history, two boys Connor Nelson and Alex Makimoto have advanced to the CIF Southern Section Finals! Both played their way into this tournament and are part of a field of twenty golfers! Congratulations Warriors!



TROY BOYS GOLF

BACK TO BACK TO BACK FREEWAY LEAGUE CHAMPIONS

Even more athletic news, the Troy Baseball team won the Freeway League

Championship for the second year in a row to become Back-to-Back Champions. Our team has
a 12-3 league record and a 21-8 overall record. We have entered the era of baseball dominance!

Now we just need some of this winning attitude to rub off on the Angels. Great job Warriors!



BACK TO BACK FREEWAY LEAGUE CHAMPIONS

On Tuesday the Troy High School ALS Awareness Club joined with the ALS Association Orange County Chapter at the St. Regis Monarch Beach Golf Links for an event with NFL alumni. This was the culminating event in a fundraising effort for the 160 Orange County residents that have been diagnosed with ALS, with proceeds going towards improving

care, research, and advocacy. This year Troy's club raised almost \$2000.00 in donations from local businesses and fundraising! ALS also known as Lou Gehrig's disease is an insidious disease that slowly robs a person of their ability to move, while leaving their mind intact. It seems like the reverse of Alzheimer's disease which takes the mind and keeps the body intact. Thank you to our students and their adviser, Ms. Morgann Havig for donating both time and money to this cause and for being one, if not the only high school in Orange County with an ALS Awareness Club!



Earlier this week, AVID Coordinator and AP US History teacher, Ms. Tiffany Robinson sent out an email regarding AVID 1's Troy Community Service Project. This year the group wants to raise money for Mrs. Dorey Madrid and her fight against cancer. The students have sold pink bracelets at lunch and thus far have raised over \$400.00. The bracelets continue to be available and we would like to do a school wide "Pink-Out" next Friday, May 19th! Ms. Robinson is also the organizer for the Pink-Out Picture we would like to take in the Quad. It is going to be an awesome event and opportunity to show support for Mrs. Madrid and for us to

join or rejoin the very real fight to end cancer. We all have a reason to join in the fight to end cancer, and I think all of us share this sentiment. I look forward to all of us as a school and single voice together in the Quad next Friday!



Last weekend our NJROTC cadets competed in the Brain Brawl National Championship in Jacksonville, Florida. While they competed valiantly, they did not come home as champions. They did learn some valuable lessons and as a young team with everyone returning next year, I believe they have a great chance to return next year and do some real damage as they make another run at the Championship! While on the trip and through Commander Lauper's U.S. Navy connections our cadets were able to have their own private tour of the USS Milwaukee.

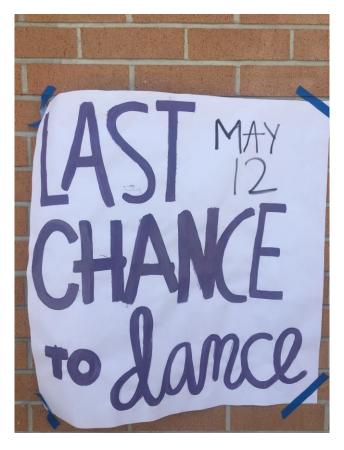


A few students were on an important trip this week with Teacher, Ms. Jenny Redmond when they attended Yosemite on their annual developmental trip. They were fortunate to be able to access areas of the park that had previously been closed due to the heavy snowfall this year when the road to Glacier Point just opened! Here is a great picture of our students and staff members in a group and getting ready to hike to Vernal Falls!



In Troy construction news, our pool is progressing and I have included a picture. Plans are underway to improve our parking and install a new marquee over the summer, and we have improvements in the library and other buildings that will occur over the summer. Over the next couple of weeks it is a great idea to begin spring cleaning! I am going to start with my desk. It is an exciting time at Troy High School and our facilities are being improved in so many ways to bring the best possible number of opportunities to our students in 2017-18!





Most of us are aware that regular AP Exams end today, Alternate AP Exams are next week, IB exams are continuing, plus finals are looming. What does this mean? Students, tonight is your last chance to attend a Troy High School dance in 2016-17 when we hold our annual Last Chance Dance. The dance will begin at 7:30pm and it will end at 10:30pm! It is the weekend and time to relax and enjoy some time with your friends before the last two weeks of school! All of us can take three hours off, so come on out and dance! So, after watching the juniors vs. seniors Troy Powerpuff football game on Troy's football field at 3:30pm, go grab a bite to eat for dinner and return for the dance at 7:30pm! What could be more fun? Have a wonderful weekend and get some well deserved rest and relaxation! I will see everyone back here on Monday, which is our last Late-Start day of the year!