TROY HIGH SCHOOL WARRIOR WEEKLY



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Warriors, Happy New Year! I hope everyone came back ready to begin the Spring Semester rested, relaxed, happy, and prepared for all the action, adventure, fun, challenges, and excitement that being a student, parent, or faculty member at Troy High School brings on a daily basis. We are going to have a great semester, and are already off to a good start!

Speaking of having a good start, on Tuesday our Boys' Soccer team had a great overtime win against Buena Park High School at home! Our Freeway League has been increasingly competitive in all sports over the past few years, and Boys' Soccer is one of the toughest, with the margin of winning or losing often only represented by a single score. Congratulations to our team, and good luck in today's match with Sonora High School!

Boys' Soccer is not the only team having a good season. All of our teams are now in league play and both our Boys' and Girls' Soccer teams are 2-1 in Freeway League play.

Wednesday night our Wrestling team defeated Buena Park. Our Girls' Water Polo team is 1-2 in

league and I expect they will come around quickly as they are 12-5 overall and playing well. They are playing in a tournament in San Diego this weekend, and I look forward to the results!



On Tuesday, Troy's NJROTC was involved in a ceremony at the Richard M. Nixon Presidential Library, performing the Color Guard for President Nixon's 111th birthday. It is always a great honor for our NJROTC to be involved in events at the Nixon Library, and is something for which we take great pride in being able to participate. Thank you to our instructors, and our cadets for impeccably representing our nation, school, district, and themselves. Some pictures of our cadets at this event were also in Wednesday's *Orange County Register*, although not this particular picture which I believe was taken by LT. Roger Fronek and is better than the one that ran in the newspaper. ©

Last night we held our 2024 Troy Open House, and I think it may be our best one yet! For all our Staff, Parents, and Community members, as well as our prospective future students and families, thank you for being part of one of our events of the year. Here are a few photos from our Open House last night! Thank you, Warrior Family!









Each year, the Troy Support Organization gala has a different theme. This year we are going with the Lunar New Year, the Year of the Dragon, and it seems like a great choice. Parents, Staff, and Community members, this is always a fun evening, so come join us for the gala at Alta Vista Country Club!

OPEN ENROLLMENT FACTS



DEADLINE IS 3:00 PM ON FEBRUARY 2, 2024

NO EXCEPTIONS !!

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

- WHERE TO APPLY
 Applications can <u>ONLY</u> be obtained in person at the school of residence. Applications cannot be mailed or emailed and will not be made available in advance.
- Parent/guardian(s) must provide proof of residency within the District at the time of application. A gas, water or electricity bill AND rental agreement/mortgage statement.
- WHAT INFORMATION IS REQUIRED ON THE APPLICATION

The application mainly consists of basic demographic information about your student and is a quick process.

You may apply for only 1 school. If more than 1 application is received for a student, both applications will be voided and student will attend the school of residence.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- ? I do not reside within the District, can I apply?

 No, you must be a resident of the Fullerton Joint Union High School District. If you are interested in attending one of our high schools, you may apply for an Interdistrict Transfer release from your district of residence.
- What is the school of residence for my address?
 The school name is contained in the top left corner of the mailing label on this flyer. If you did not receive a flyer or would like to confirm your address, visit:
 https://locator.decisioninsite.com/?StudvID=205959
- Will my student be guaranteed acceptance into school of choice? No, acceptance is based on the number of spaces available at each school. Spaces are <u>NOT</u> based on a first-come-first-serve basis. A lottery system will be established if number of applications exceeds the number of spaces.
- ? Is transportation provided?
 No, transportation is not provided.
- Poes Open Enrollment need to be renewed annually? No, it is valid for 4 years; <u>HOWEVER</u> a minimum attendance of 1 school year is required.

For information in Spanish or Korean, please visit www.fjuhsd.org or call 714-870-2865



In the last *Warrior Weekly* of 2023, I wrote of our Troy Preparedness Club and their advisor NJROTC Instructor, Commander Lauper. Last week during Winter Break, our students were involved in three days of CERT training in Fullerton. As was previously explained, '...the *CERT* (Community Emergency Response Team) program, is a nationally recognized initiative that equips individuals with the knowledge and skills to prepare for, respond to, and recover from disasters. The training encompasses a wide range of crucial topics, including disaster awareness, fire/hazardous material safety, emergency medical operations, search and rescue, disaster psychology, and much more!" It is with certainly that I know how deeply I



appreciate that we have students that are being trained in CERT, and should we have a disaster, such as an earthquake, we have additional people here in our school that can be of assistance in an emergency. Thank you, and great job Warriors!

The following information is from our Guidance Department and is very important information for all our students!

2024 Spring Semester Schedule Change Policy

The spring semester district deadline to drop an additional class and/or drop course levels (i.e., H/C/IB/AP to the lower level), provided there is space, is <u>Friday</u>, <u>March 15th</u>, <u>by 3:30 PM</u>. Per district policy, students in grades 9-11 must be enrolled in a minimum of (6) classes and 12th graders must be enrolled in a minimum of (5) classes. For either change, students must see their school counselor <u>in person</u> before 1st period, at break, lunch, or after 6th period. Parent/guardian permission is required to make any changes.

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

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!



<u>www.usnews.com/education/best-high-schools/california/districts/fullerton-joint-union-high/troy-high-school-2247</u>.

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In what could be described as a "Top Gun" moment, one of our SeaPerch underwater robotic teams qualified for the International SeaPerch Challenge at the University of Maryland in June! I am certain they will be ready, and their SeaPerch practice as pictured above is only a warm-up for the intense international competition they will face in June! Let's go, Warriors!



Last Sunday, our competed in an Orienteering competition at Vasquez Rocks. This photo by Commander Lauper is stunning. This coming weekend our cadets are in another meet in the 2024 Anza-Borrego Desert Orienteering Festival. Good luck, Warriors!





This is our first Troy Tech Testing weekend with the first test on Saturday, January 13th! **Application & information is available** on <u>applicants.troyhigh.com</u> Applicants can register online for testing through January 24, 2024. Walk-ins are accepted too; we will test all 8th graders that attend. Testing covers mid-year eighth grade content in math and English, and the format includes multiple-choice questions and an English essay. The best preparation for testing is successful progress in a challenging eighth grade course of study. The other two remaining Troy Tech Testing dates are the next two Saturdays on January 20th and 27th! We also have Troy Tours for prospective 8th graders and parents only one more time, next Friday January 26th. For Troy Tech, see <u>applicants.troyhigh.com</u> for more information. The detailed updated flyer can be found here: https://drive.google.com/file/d/loysgwgU-1HW6bcQJW5QOyHTNJCWJLs-y/view?usp=drive_link

If you are interested in the last Troy Tour on January 26th just meet at the Front Office across from the school marquee on Dorothy Avenue at 9:00am. No appointment is necessary.



Troy Parents, here is some important information on the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) from our Counselors and Administrative Teams!

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 Superintendent's January, 2024 FJUHSD newsletter. This is a great source for the global FJUHSD insight, news, and events! https://conta.cc/47zkrcJ



The construction on our eight new classrooms continues at speed! Now that the foundations are in place the building is going vertical and in the distance you can notice wood framing up over 20ft. The eight classrooms are going to be a welcome addition to our school!



Warriors, we have a new addition to our Troy Family! Pictured above is Officer Max Raj, and he is our new School Resource Officer (SRO) from the Fullerton Police Department. SRO, Raj was assigned to Troy when our former SRO, Officer Victoria Rangel was promoted to corporal. Officer Raj, has six years of experience as a police officer beginning his career with the Riverside Police Department, and after his first year he made the decision to join the Fullerton Police Department. In his time with FPD, he has been on the Homeless Liaison Team and the Psychiatric Emergency Response Team. Officer Raj is excited to be here and expressed that he looks forward to working with Troy's students, parents, and staff. I was also reminded that we soon see Officer Rangel at some of our events, such as Prom or basketball games, and we can catch up with her and congratulate her on her promotion!



Even though we are in Southern California, we are having a cold start to 2024. Don't be fooled by Luna's expression, she is glad to be wrapped in a warm blanket...I think...

This weekend we and extra day, with Monday off and a return on Tuesday, January 16th. I will be taking a moment to reflect on why we have the long weekend and the intent of Martin Luther King Jr.'s positive messages of inclusion and equality for all people regardless of race, creed, or color. Have a wonderful three-day weekend, and stay warm. For me it is sounding like a hot

chocolate type of weekend, wrapped in a blanket, and sitting on the sofa with the boxer doggie. I

will see everyone back here at Troy on Tuesday! W.V. Mynster