TROY HIGH SCHOOL WARRIOR WEEKLY



January 14, 2022

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Warriors,

It is Friday, and not just any Friday! We have a long weekend as we celebrate the life and legacy of Martin Luther King Jr. on Monday, January 17th. Thanks to the current COVID-19 surge, driven by the Omicron variant we are experiencing a little bit of a bumpier start to 2022 than we would have hoped. On Monday morning while I was outside greeting our students and checking their Qualtrics Surveys as they walked into school, I noticed what looked like was going to be a spectacular sunrise. I was not disappointed, and a beautiful sunrise always gives me hope. Hope that it will not only be a good day, but that life is moving in the right direction and this day is better than the last, and tomorrow will be better than today. I have included two photos of Monday's sunrise in this *Warrior Weekly*, and while taken only a couple minutes apart they are very different.

We are two week returned from Winter Break, and hopefully all of us came back rested and relaxed. We are excited to be back in school, and despite the Omicron surge testing our nerves, after two-years of going through this pandemic we have built resiliency, adaptability, and confidence within our Troy Family and larger FJUHSD community. We have the ability to weather this pandemic and this most recent surge and we are doing so. I am 100% certain that together, we are going to get through this pandemic, and we are stronger each day.

This week I sent a message to all students and parents regarding the recent availability of the COVID-19 test home kits. Here is a copy of the message that was sent.

January 12, 2022

Dear Troy Students and Parents,

As a follow-up to the Superintendent's letter last week, the California Department of Public Health (CDPH), has provided voluntary and free COVID-19 home tests for students. 40% of our allotment of these tests were delivered to our school yesterday, and we should receive more of the COVID-19 home tests on Thursday. Currently we do not have enough of the test kits to distribute to all students at this time. However, we do eventually expect to receive a test kit for every student, but the timeframe is uncertain.

In order to reduce the amount of time students may be out for COVID-19, the distribution of the COVID-19 home test kits for students will be done at Troy High School and prioritized for those students who are experiencing symptoms or believe they have been recently exposed. Please contact Ms. Noemi Vargas-Segura at (714) 626-4427 to request a home test kit or with any inquiries you may have about the home test kits. The Fullerton Joint Union High School District will not be monitoring test outcomes but will be available to provide resources and respond to any positive result.

Sincerely,

Dr. William V. Mynster Principal Troy High School

The update to my message regarding the COVID-19 home test kits for our students is that on Thursday we received the rest of the expected shipment and at this point should have enough COVID-19 test kits for all Troy High School students to receive one home test kit.

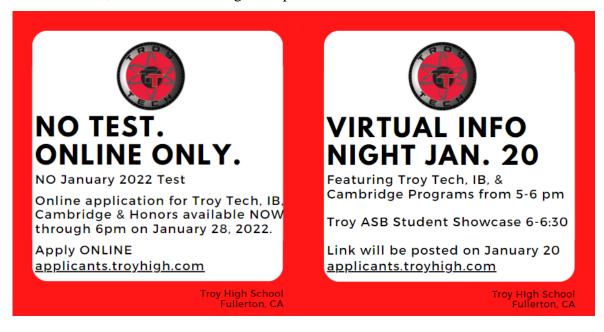
For up to date Troy High School information on programs, sports, clubs, counseling, virtually anything having to do with Troy High School, our school website has quite a bit of valuable information and links. Our school website is a valuable resource, and I encourage everyone to check it out! https://www.fjuhsd.org/Page/19.

For current 8th grade students looking to come to Troy High School when they reach 9th grade for the Troy Tech Magnet Program for the Fall Semester beginning in August, 2022, there are some changes to our "normal" procedures for students applying to this program. The current

COVID-19 surge is forcing Troy to change some of our routines and procedures, thus there is no Troy Tech / Honors testing for the upcoming Fall, 2022. Here is all the information and links to the information on you will need for application to the Troy Tech Magnet Program!

applicants.troyhigh.com @WeAreTroyTech

- Troy Tech Testing for January 2022 has been cancelled due to district safety guidelines. Current 8th grade students will be evaluated based on their online application only. Apply online between now and 6pm on January 28, 2022 at applicants.troyhigh.com
- Troy Tech, IB, and Cambridge will host a virtual information night on January 20, 2022 from 5-6 pm followed by Troy ASB Student Showcase from 6-6:30 pm. Link will be posted on applicants.troyhigh.com
- Application Instructions and FAQ January 2022 includes details on writing samples, evaluation, and troubleshooting was updated on 1/5/2022.



In the CyberPatriot National Championship Semi-Finals news, be on the lookout for more information from our outstanding Troy Cyber students soon! Troy Cyber resumed practice leading up to the National Semi-Finals on Jan 22. With a number of our teams having a very good chance of qualifying for the CyberPatriot Finals in March, these semi-finals are going to be another exciting step in the competition as we look for the opportunity to defend our National Championship in 2022!



2022 Winter Troy Main Office Holiday Chalk Art, by Mrs. Shannon Cogswell.

COVID-19 Reminder for all Troy High School Students!

In accordance with the Center for Disease Control (CDC), CA Dept. of Public Health (CDPH), and Orange County Health Care Agency (OCHCA), we ask that you complete the Qualtrics survey each morning prior to arriving on campus. However, **please do not attend school** if you have experienced any COVID-related symptoms:

- Flu-like symptoms such as fever of 100.4 or greater
- Chills
- Cough
- Sore throat
- Runny or stuffy nose that is not associated with a pre-existing condition or other chronic health condition.

Following the recommendations issued by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) has issued guidance in support of full in-person instruction and to as much instructional time as possible. A link to that guidance is included at the bottom of this communication.

<u>Please note that masks will be required by all staff and students while indoors</u>

regardless of vaccinated status. As an extra precaution, FJUHSD is committed to continuing

the enhanced cleaning procedures established to ensure that our schools are clean, sanitized, and safe.

CDPH COVID-19/K-12-Guidance

Safety Procedures for attending school during the COVID-19 pandemic.

- All students and staff will complete the Qualtrics COVID Safety Survey each morning (the survey will be sent to your school email).
- To enter campus, students will show their green checkmark from the completed survey permitting them to be on campus.
- Students will walk through the thermo-imaging temperature cameras by either the Main Office or the North Gym and show their green Qualtrics survey checkmarks.
- Face coverings (masks) are required inside and are optional while outside.
- Last but not least, <u>if you have taken a COVID-19 test</u> and are still waiting for results, <u>please do not attend school until you receive the results of that test</u>, and then <u>only</u> <u>come to school if you are negative for COVID-19!</u>

Thank you and GO WARRIORS!



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I ran this important information from our Counselors last week, and it bears repeating. Troy Students! Here is a very important announcement regarding your current classes!

Spring Semester Deadline to Drop an Additional Class or Class Level:

Students may request to drop down in course levels (i.e., H/AP/IB/C to the lower level) if space is available or drop an additional class. Students in grades 9-11 must be enrolled in a minimum of 6 classes and students in grade 12 must be enrolled in a minimum of 5 classes. The deadline for a level change or to drop an additional class is Friday, March 18th by 3:00 p.m (end of the third grading quarter). Students must see their counselor in person before first period, at break, lunch or after sixth period by the deadline. If a student is in an Honors, Advanced Placement (AP), International Baccalaureate (IB) and/or Cambridge course and wishes to request to move down in levels, they have until 3 PM on Friday, March 18th to do so. To request a level change, the student is to see their school counselor in-person at break, lunch, before first period or after sixth period. Parent/guardian permission is required. As long as there is room in the lower-level course and it will work with the student's schedule, the request can be accommodated.



Last Friday our Troy Theatre and FACE departments, held their annual holiday theatre collaboration show performance called "*Black Friday*." Troy Teachers, Ms. Jenny Redmond and Mr. Joe Hufferd introduced the performance and then our students took over from there!

Our students held one performance after lunch for a limited number of staff and students and then held the last performance of *Black Friday* later in the evening. The performance was livestreamed by our student *Omnia* broadcasting team so all the parents and others would have a chance to see the performance even if they were not able to be there in person. It was a wonderful event, and a nice end to the Holiday Season! Great job, Warriors!



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Troy Family, last week I included the link to our FJUHSD virtual calming room. I am also going to include it again. I may keep it including it every week as I have to confess, it is easy to go through the various options and combinations of categories with Visual Relaxation, Sound & Music, Puzzles & Games, or the Live Animal Cams and spend a good hour or two on this site. This weekend, what could be better than a great sunrise and Puppy Cams? I know it will put a smile on your face for sure! ©

https://sites.google.com/fjuhsd.org/fjuhsd-virtual-calming-room/home

Troy Family, it has been a busy, exciting, and challenging week. This weekend we have one extra day to take some time to spend more time with family and friends and hopefully have the opportunity to just slow down a little bit. Given the reason for the extra day off this weekend, it is also an appropriate time to reflect on the life and legacy of Martin Luther King Jr.

We know we are living through some challenging times, seemingly at many levels. Martin Luther King Jr.'s message of hope, peace, love, equality, and fairness, resonate through time. MLK Jr.'s message was on point in the 1950's and 60's and his message continues to resonate today. https://thekingcenter.org/ If you have some time, check out the King Center's website. This organization was founded by Ms. Coretta Scott King in 1968 and has a significant amount of current resources and historical information.



If you are wondering what to do with the leftover pumpkins from the fall, Halloween, and Thanksgiving, apparently dogs love pumpkin! Or at least this dog does... I did need to keep an eye on Luna once she broke the pumpkin apart as I did not need her eating the seeds or stringy stuff inside. What could go wrong?

Once again, this weekend, take the opportunity to do something fun, see a movie, get out for a hike, have a nice family evening, play video games, whatever makes for a relaxing and restful weekend! I look forward to seeing everyone back here on Tuesday, January 18th!