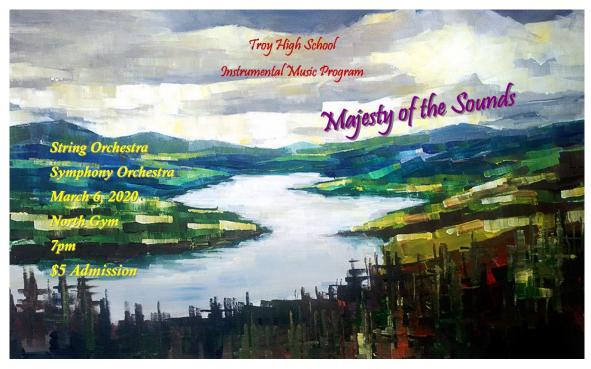




March 6, 2020

It has been an exceptionally busy week on site at Troy, with a couple Girls' Basketball playoff games, Cambridge teacher training, Prom Rally, Festival Concert, and final preparations for our full WASC visit that begins on Sunday through Wednesday this upcoming week. We are beginning to look forward to Spring Break in a couple weeks!

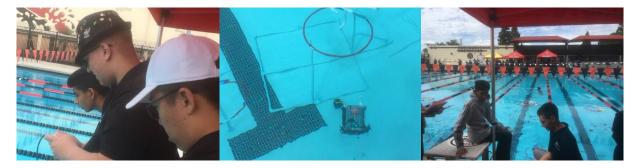


For the second Friday night in a row, our Troy Instrumental Music Program, under the direction of Mr. Jo-jo Castillo, will have a performance in the North Gym! Beginning at

7:00pm, the concert will be another wonderful showcase of our students' talent. This is also another wonderful opportunity for a dinner date, concert, and if so inclined a late movie. This might well be the best night to stay out late, as we will all lose an hour of sleep on Saturday night / Sunday morning as we make the switch to Daylight Savings Time and spring our clocks forward one hour. Do not forget to set your clocks forward otherwise beginning Sunday you will be an hour late to everything. If you did not notice your tardiness on Sunday, you will definitely notice on Monday. \odot



Last Saturday night our ASB threw a great Sadies Dance! There were both dance elements and a carnival / sports themed outside game area. I have to be honest, I think our students are more about the games than the dancing which is fine with me. Today, we are holding our Prom Rally, which always has all the Pep-Rally elements of our school, but is always a production as our ASB uses this venue to announce the location of the 2020 Prom! I think the venue this year is going to be a big hit!



Last weekend our NJROTC held the Sea Perch competition at Troy and fortunately, the weather cooperated on Saturday. It is always amazing to see the level of competition with the tethered underwater robots. To be fair, these robots have gotten much faster and more maneuverable this year. Our kids did well. Here is the official update from Commander Lauper,

"Congratulations to our NJROTC underwater robotics teams on qualifying for the International SeaPerch Challenge at the University of Maryland at the end of May. The Meka Sharccs, led by Junior Ricardo Hernandez and Sophomore Rohan Patel, took first place in the open division competition, where unlimited modifications can be made to the remote operated vehicles. Our three other teams also competed well, and have earned wild card berths in the International SeaPerch Challenge. The International competition includes teams from China, the Cayman Islands, Egypt, India, New Zealand, Peru, and the United Arab Emirates." Way to go Warriors!



I am happy to announce the FJUHSD district winner in the National PTA Reflections Program for 2019-20 in High School Literature, is Troy Senior, Mr. Muhammad Izan Atiq. Congratulations to Mr. Atiq on this recognition and I am glad to see a Troy student win this award! ©

Troy Computer Science guru, Mr. Don Allen this week announced and reminded us that it is Wittry Time again! Our annual Dave Wittry Memorial programming contest is this Saturday, March 7th. For those that do not know, Dave Wittry was a well-regarded former Troy

Teacher, and he started this contest and wished to make it accessible to as many students as possible. In the years since Dave Wittry's passing this contest has grown each year and now students work their computer programming skills in rooms throughout the 300, 400, and 500 buildings. Teachers in those buildings, please communicate with Mr. Don Allen if students are unable to use your room. This is a great event for students and a wonderful opportunity to show their computer skills! Go Warriors!



Troy students do all number of things for college and career after they graduate from high school. Troy junior, Mr. Noah Hager decided he is going to serve his country and on Wednesday preliminarily declared his intent to enlist in the U.S. Army! When he turns 18 he will have to recommit, but this is the pathway he has chosen! Congratulations to Noah on his decision to serve and protect our nation. \odot

Troy Mathematics Department Chairperson, Mr. Paul Rodriguez shared some exciting news this week regarding a mathematics competition some in which some of our students have qualified. "At the end of January, about 100 Troy students took the American Mathematics Competition and we just got the results. We had seven students qualify for the AIME, very

impressive! The AIME is a 15 question, 3-hour examination, each answer is an integer number between 0 to 999. The questions on the AIME are much more difficult than those on the AMC 10 and AMC 12." The next AIME is scheduled for March 11th, and I am sure our students have been well prepared by our teachers are ready for this competitive exam! Go Warriors!



Last week I wrote that our Red Hots travelled to Florida for a National Dance competition. While I do not have final results here was a short blurb from Dance Instructor, Ms. Alison Wills from the beginning of the trip. "We landed last night, quick flight with a 100mph tailwind, got here in 3 hours 45 minutes! Had a few hiccups at the hotel with half the teams keys not working. Standing in 50' weather with wind was not a party, but it all worked out! Arrived at the HP Field House for our first day of competition with all our solos!! It's cold here but we are having a blast!!" That report from Ms. Wills did not sound like Florida weather, but fortunately the competition was inside!

Our FIRST Robotics team is competing beginning today and runs through the weekend at Da Vinci Schools in El Segundo. Along with their team advisors, Mr. Kent Goodman and Mr. Mike Reid our team has constructed a robot in keeping with the theme and skills needed to be accomplished. There is a strict build time for all teams in the competition and all teams had to work effectively and efficiently to successfully complete their robot and be ready! Each year our teams have improved and it will be fun to hear about how they will do this year! Go, Warriors!



This week Troy's Best Buddies Officers have been spreading the word on the Inclusion pledge cards on Wednesday and donation cups to be picked up on Friday. Our Best Buddies club partners with our Special Education students and is a partnership that is highly beneficial for everyone involved and even those that are not involved. Inclusion is the word, and it is what we are about here at Troy! Great job to our Best Buddies and their Advisers, Ms. Heuerman and Ms. Redmond!

A couple weeks ago two Troy students did very well in the NASEF DreamHack competition representing the Anaheim Ducks in the Ducks NHL 20 High School Scholastic Tournament. Troy students, 9th grader, Zain Shah took 3rd place and 10th grader, Matthew Baek, took 4th place in the tournament! If you did not already figure this out, this is competitive video gaming through a league that has been formed and sponsored by the Orange County Office of Education! Congratulations, to these Warriors and their proud E-Sports GM, Mr. Carlos Aldaco!



Troy is hosting a screening of the documentary "Screenagers" on March 18th from 6-8 PM at a campus location TBA. This documentary explores teen's use of digital media and technology,

the impacts on their health and academics, and what families can do to help tackle this issue. All Troy parents/guardians and students are invited to attend and have received Aeries emails, and will receive another notification as the event gets closer. If you have a pre-teen or teen and would like to attend, please join us. This event for teenagers and their parents/guardians and is a very worthwhile expenditure of time.



Congratulations to 10th grade Troy student, Jason Chen from Troop 730 on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout from the Boy Scouts of America! Scoutmaster of Troy 730, Mr. David Chen forwarded this information and the photo of the award ceremony. It is not easy to become an Eagle Scout, and it is an achievement that he can be proud for the rest of his life!

In super exciting news, on February 26th Troy Assistant Principal, Ms. Caroline Llewellyn successfully defended her dissertation, "Voices of Success: A Qualitative Study of Barriers and Attributes that Impact Women Seeking and Serving as Superintendents in Southern California." Dr. Caroline Llewellyn proudly completed her doctorate at Cal State University, Fullerton and is now the second doctor in the Llewellyn household. Congratulations on this important academic achievement!



After another deep run and a D-1 Championship game playoff appearance at Azusa Pacific University on Saturday, and a California State tournament home game on Tuesday, our Girls' Basketball team season has concluded. They are a great team, played another wonderful season, and have many accomplishments for which they should be rightfully very proud. Making the championship game and just falling short is hard for this team, but it does not distract from the kind of team they have been and how wonderful they have been to watch all season. Great job on their year to the entire team, and coaches led by Head Coach, Mr. Roger Anderson.



Here is our St. Patrick's Day Main Office art, thanks to resident artist, Ms. Shannon Cogswell. Another masterpiece as usual! ©

Recently, there has been a lot of information in the news regarding the Coronavirus (COVID-19). Here is the latest update from our Superintendent, Dr. V. Scott Scambray. This message is also posted on our website.



March 5, 2020

Dear FJUHSD Community,

The District continues to closely monitor the Coronavirus, also known as COVID-19, situation. To prepare for possible community transmission of COVID-19, the most important thing for schools to do now is plan and prepare.

The District has been sharing updates on the virus with our schools, parents, staff members, and community members and will continue to work closely with the Orange County Department of Education (OCDE), California Department of Education (CDE), and the Orange County Health Care Agency. The Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has published an Interim Guidance for Administrators of US Childcare Programs and K-12 Schools to Plan, Prepare, and Respond to Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Interim Guidance for Childcare Programs and K-12 Schools.

The CDC Guide states:

"Health officials are currently taking steps to prevent the introduction and spread of COVID-19 into US communities. Schools can play an important role in this effort. Through collaboration and coordination with local health departments, schools can take steps to disseminate information about the disease and its potential transmission within their school community. Schools can prepare to take steps to prevent the spread of COVID-19 among their students and staff should local health officials identify such a need.

Schools should continue to collaborate, share information, and review plans with local health officials to help protect the whole school community, including those with special health needs. School plans should be designed to minimize disruption to teaching and learning and protect students and staff from social stigma and discrimination. Plans can build on everyday practices (e.g., encouraging hand hygiene, monitoring absenteeism, communicating routinely) that include strategies for before, during, and after a possible outbreak."

On March 2, 2020, the Chief Communications Officer from the OCDE shared a Frequently Asked Question (FAQ) document with all Orange County school districts. A link to the FAQ is below:

https://www.fjuhsd.org/cms/lib/CA02000098/Centricity/Domain/4/FAQs on potential school closures.pdf

As a reminder, OCHCA recommends practicing common sense public health measures. These measures include:

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not
 available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
- · Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Stay home when you are sick.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.

Additional Information/Resources

The following information was posted this morning on the Orange County Health Care Agency Facebook page. It states: "Rumor control: The Los Angeles County Department of Public Health has not issued any guidance saying visitors to LA should avoid public gathering spots due to COVID19. For our OC schools, neither we nor they are advising you cancel planned field trips to the LA area at this time."



At this time approved field trips will proceed as planned. Students who elect not to attend an approved field trips will not be penalized.

Please review the following video from one of our District nurses:

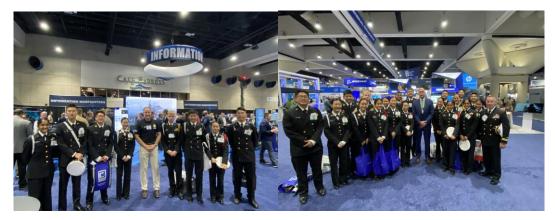
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The District is communited to communicating with students, parents, staff members, and the community in a timely manner. Thank you for your cooperation and support.

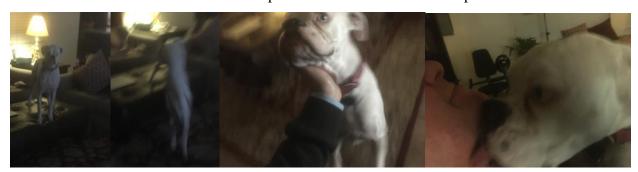
Sincerely,

V. Scott Scambray, Ed.D.

Superintendent



Our NJROTC attended part of the Armed Forces Communication Electronics Association conference in San Diego on Tuesday. Troy cadets were able to meet a number of current and retired Admirals. Pictured left, Rear Admiral Rob Nowakowski, Deputy Commander, Naval Education and Training Command. Pictured at right, former Commander, US Pacific Fleet four star Admiral, Scott Swift. While it is nice that our students are able to meet these people and attend these events, is there a direct benefit to our students? Yes. Already this year four Troy High School NJROTC cadets have been awarded Navy scholarships with a combined value of \$1.3 million dollars! As we know more, Commander Lauper will continue to give us the information and later I will share more specifics on students with their permission! Go Warriors!



I have barely been home for the past month. Luna misses me and is very excited when she sees me come through the door. I will get to spend more time with her this weekend. I hope everyone is able to spend time with family, friends, and pets and get in the much needed rest and relaxation. © Don't forget, due to our WASC visit we have an Early Release Schedule on Monday! Have a wonderful weekend, and remember to change your clocks to Daylight Savings Time Saturday night. I will see everyone back here on Monday!