



TROY HIGH SCHOOL WARRIOR WEEKLY



March 12, 2021

Warriors,

St. Patrick's Day is here next Wednesday, March 17th, and while not a school holiday, it is a reminder that spring and the time change to Daylight Savings time is right around the corner. This year, the "spring forward" switch to Daylight Savings time is March 14th, this upcoming Sunday morning beginning at 2:00am. Do not forget, or you will an hour late on Monday!

It has been a very, very, busy week. There has been great news on the COVID-19 pandemic front, and the numbers throughout Orange County, State, and USA, continue to dramatically fall. Vaccine distribution is dramatically increasing and last evening President Joe Biden announced that all American adults 18 and over will be able to sign up to be vaccinated by May 1st. We have turned the corner and now need to stay true to our proven strategies of wearing masks and social distancing through the point of enough of us having been vaccinated. Each week, the opportunities for new groups to be vaccinated are expanding, so keep a careful eye out for when it is your turn. You can find more information regarding vaccines on the FJUHSd website in the monthly COVID Newsletter.

Here is the link to the FJUHSd March COVID Newsletter. There is a lot of information regarding State and County guidance, vaccines, frequently asked questions, and links to other relevant sites. It is a very useful, is also available on our FJUHSd district website, and you can also link to some of the past editions of the FJUSHD COVID newsletter.

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1zrCFVjG6Pyv7iXsSqTKligmO0kVkPzIh4w_FJ2h_m8A/e_dit?ts=604a8b30

Also contributing to the busy week, seemingly every sport for all three seasons is either competing, practicing and getting ready to compete, or in the case of X-Country, wrapping up their season on Wednesday. Troy Varsity football is having their first real game tonight, away at El Toro High School, but they held their first scrimmage last week against Westminster at home in Fullerton Stadium. Our team played well, and we have great hopes for our team tonight vs. El Toro High School! Go Warriors!



The X-Country season ended on Wednesday with the Freeway League finishing the season on what was a very blustery day, with wind, rain, sunshine, cold, and more wind. The athletes were ready, and held a wonderful competition! Congratulations to all the athletes on competing and achieving through the X-Country season and never giving up! The Track & Field season is coming next!



Warriors! Red Cross blood donations are still needed! The opportunity for you to donate is next Friday through the Troy High School Community Drive at held at the **First Evangelical Church**, located at 2801 Brea Blvd, Fullerton CA 92835 on **Friday, March 19, 2021** from 1:30 PM to 07:30 PM. If you are over 17 years old, willing, and able, please **Sign up here:** <https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?zipSponsor=TROYfullerton> Also, make your experience even better by using [Rapid Pass](#) the day of our drive to check in and get through the process more quickly. All COVID safety precautions will be in place!



Troy Girls' Varsity Soccer had another good performance yesterday when they took on El Dorado High School at our home regulation field. Our Warriors played well and had some great runs! It is going to be an exciting season!

AP Exams are coming and exams have been ordered for any AP students that desire to take the AP examinations this spring. Troy AP Coordinator and Counselor, Ms. Lisa Avila confirmed that we ordered 3280 exams for our students effective yesterday, March 11th.

While schools throughout the world are still in varying degrees of in-person, hybrid, and distance learning, with the improving pandemic conditions College Board has issued testing dates and options for students around the world who would like to take the AP Exams this year. At Troy High School we will be holding the traditional in-person examinations in the **AP Testing Administration 1 from May 3-7, 10-12, 14, & 17.** *“Traditional, full-length paper and pencil exams, administered in school, for all subjects.”*

AP Testing Administration 2 from May 18-21, 24-28. *“Half of the subjects are paper and pencil, administered in school, and half are full-length digital exams, administered in school or taken at home due to coronavirus precautions.”*

AP Testing Administration 3 from June 1-4, 7-11. *“Most subjects are full-length digital exams only, administered in school or taken at home due to coronavirus precautions.”*

For AP students, it is important to realize that not all testing administrations are the same and there are distinct advantages to the first exam administration and why I believe **AP Exam Administration 1** is the best chance for a student to do well on the AP Exams. College Board also writes, *“Schools that can safely administer paper and pencil exams or digital exams in school buildings or at other school-proctored locations should do so.”*

“Students are more likely to face fewer disruptions than when attempting to take a test at home.”

“Not all courses have an at-home digital exam option due to fairness and security concerns.”

AP Testing Administration 1 from May 3-7, 10-12, 14, & 17 is the preferred testing option for students at Troy High School, as this is the only testing administration with which your teachers have any familiarity. It is also the only AP examination administration with which students have been practicing the AP testing format as part of the routine class assessments in your AP classes. In terms of exam day safety, all staff and students will follow all COVID-19 safety protocols and our exams will be held in safe testing conditions.

In AP Testing Administrations 2 and 3 the exams, even for the few that are written exams, they are totally different from the exams in Administration 1. In both subsequent testing administrations Troy students will take the digital versions of the AP Exam at home except in subjects in which they **must** take either the written or digital version at school.

College Board allows schools to pick the student testing options that work best for the school. In our case with the number of students and exams being taken, Administration 2 falls during Senior Finals, Troy High School Finals, and Graduation Week. We don't have enough classrooms to handle in school digital AP Exams. In Administration 3 we are in Summer School, and have far fewer staff on hand, so students would also be taking the digital versions of the AP Exams at home, except in cases where paper and pencil or in school-computer based exams must be taken.

One last thought on AP Exam Administrations 2 & 3, for students taking the digital exams, they lose the ability to go back and forth between questions on the exam. This means that the first time a student looks at the question they need to answer that question at that time. The student cannot skip that question and go back later, which as we know, on a paper pencil exam, this is a strategy which helps a student gain confidence as they answer the questions they know and then go to the questions with which they feel less confident.

Troy's AP Teachers have prepared their students to the best of their ability and their students have learned to the best of their ability in these COVID circumstances. College Board is giving the full AP length examinations in Testing Administrations 1, 2, & 3 with the full knowledge that this has not been a normal year for students anywhere on the planet. I am certain

Troy's students will do well this year and I look forward to the results later this summer. Go Warriors!

Southern California Science Olympiad																Support	Student Login	Coaches	Tournament	Volunteer	Resource															
School/Team	Place	Total	Algorithms and Heuristics		Amazing Mechatronics		Anatomy and Physiology		Astronomy	Chem Lab	Chiropterology	Circuit Lab	Codebusters	Cybersecurity	Designer Genes	Detector Building	Digital Structures	Disease Detectives	Dynamic Planet	Experiment and Data Analysis		Fermi Questions	Forensics	Fossils	Game On	GeoLogic Mapping	Gravity Vehicle	Helicopters	Home Horticulture	Machines	Ornithology	Protein Modeling	Rocks and Minerals	Sounds of Music	Water Quality	Write it CAD it-Writer
Troy High School (CA), Troy A	1	59	44	44	1	2	2	44	5	8	2	3	6	1	4	3	4	44	1	4	44	1	4	44	1	2	1	44	2	1	4	1	2	1	1	
Northwood High School, Northwood Blue	2	132	44	44	11	23	11	44	6	3	1	1	4	13	2	8	1	5	8	2	1	4	1	2	3	5	2	1	9	6	2	2	16			
Portola High School, PHS A Team	3	159	44	44	7	9	4	44	1	4	6	4	12	14	5	2	9	44	7	5	44	2	11	8	44	1	14	8	44	3	7	27				
Valencia High School (OC), Valencia Gold	4	166	44	44	17	7	7	44	4	2	7	6	2	4	13	13	2	44	2	1	44	5	5	5	44	17	13	11	44	15	5	8				
Troy High School (CA), Troy B	5	168	6	44	5	6	12	44	8	6	5	15	5	3	3	11	15	44	3	3	8	13	7	7	44	8	3	10	44	7	8	12				
University High School, Uni	6	172	1	44	3	1	1	44	9	10	3	2	1	11	8	9	5	12	10	8	44	9	44	44	44	4	11	2	4	1	6	14				
Orange County School of the Arts, OCSA	7	199	4	2	14	11	17	3	3	1	13	13	8	2	12	4	3	3	16	12	3	3	4	3	7	7	4	9	7	25	9	10				
Arnold O. Beckman High School, Beckman Team 1	8	219	3	44	9	3	8	44	2	18	9	11	7	17	17	7	7	9	22	11	44	10	3	4	44	16	9	7	3	11	3	11				
Sunny Hills High School, Sunny Hills Black	9	265	44	44	6	10	5	7	7	12	12	16	9	8	23	28	20	6	9	10	2	7	44	15	44	11	10	6	13	13	15	13				
University High School, Uni Team 2	10	288	2	1	32	5	3	5	14	24	28	44	3	6	1	1	18	44	17	6	44	14	44	11	44	3	18	3	8	21	13	3				
Canyon High School, CHS-Alpha	11	289	44	44	18	21	10	44	17	13	23	19	22	9	20	5	6	44	5	20	44	6	44	12	44	6	21	12	44	14	4	6				
Portola High School, PHS B Team	12	309	5	44	10	17	16	44	12	15	20	7	11	5	11	18	8	44	11	17	44	23	44	44	44	21	6	16	44	4	10	7				
Irvine High School, IHS	13	313	6	44	28	18	21	6	13	7	11	8	10	7	7	22	17	2	13	13	44	15	44	10	6	18	7	15	12	17	16	20				
Valencia High School (OC), Valencia Blue	14	331	44	3	27	16	13	1	30	17	10	20	13	10	10	12	10	1	12	9	6	8	14	13	4	19	24	17	5	12	20	9				
Woodbridge High School, WHS SO	15	351	44	44	12	12	18	44	10	11	21	9	23	18	25	31	14	8	25	22	7	21	9	16	2	10	8	5	11	10	11	19				

Thank you to Science Olympiad Coach, Mr. Kurt Wahl for providing the stats sheet from the Science Olympiad Southern California Regionals last weekend. As can be seen, Troy won the event, with a low score of 59 points. And Troy's "B" team placed 5th. Like golf, the low score wins. Northwood High School took 2nd with a 132 point score. Great job Warriors, and we look forward to hearing about the next competition at the Virtual California State Science Olympiad Championship!

More great news for Troy High School! The following students have been chosen by the Fullerton American Legion to attend this summer's virtual Girls' State event! Ashmita Kumar is the Troy representative and Jenna McBratney is our alternate. Regarding, Ashmita Kumar, in an addition from last week, she was also one of our NCWIT winners and received a Regional Honorable Mention award in Computer Science.

There is also a Boys' State, event chosen by the Fullerton American Legion. It is also a week-long virtual experience. Troy's representatives are: Andrew Sung, Hyunjun Kim, Youngbin Ryu, Joshua Blume, and Adam Calixto. Congratulations, Warriors and your selection to this Virtual Government event!



In FBLA news, thank you to Troy Business Teachers, Mr. David Kim and Mrs. Henniger for the information on a recent Stock Market competition. *"...Two of our students from FBLA won 1st and 2nd place in a 3-week long Stock Market Competition hosted by FIT Project! Congratulations to David Pantoja for winning 1st place and to Elizabeth Shum for winning 2nd place!"* Great job Warriors! I am hopeful with the current market conditions that you did very well with some wise and well timed stock picks!

Congratulations to Troy Senior, Jack Tian and California Scholarship Federation member has been selected as the recipient of the 2020-2021 Michelson Memorial Award and will be awarded \$1000! The Glenn Michelson Memorial Award was established in 2012 in memory of the late Glenn Michelson, who was a strong advocate of our CSF motto promoting community

service. Upon his passing, Glenn bequeathed funds to CSF for an annual essay contest in Glenn's honor open to high school CSF seniors who have a passion for service.

As the Michelson Award recipient Jack has been invited to attend the Virtual Celebration of Awards on Saturday, April 17, 2021 from 9-10 am via Zoom.



With the weather this week, the Troy Instrumental Music Program Winter Series could not have better timing. Tune in at noon for the concert tomorrow via YouTube!

Troy Speech and Debate Club Advisor and English Teacher, Ms. Deliana Park emailed me with some fantastic news about the Troy's Speech and Debate Club recent achievements.

"We wanted to congratulate Aaron Bai and Dale Tran for qualifying for the Parliamentary Tournament of Champions. The Parliamentary Tournament (TOC) occurs at the end of season as a national championship tournament between the top ranked debate teams (teams of 2) in the United States and qualifying regions. Invitations are sent based on the

National Parliamentary Debate League rankings for performance in the season (Aug-March). Bai and Tran finished 2020 being ranked 19th in the US, and will be the first duo from Troy High School/FJUH SD to compete at this national level. We also want to recognize Kayla Nguyen and Mathew Dorman who both recently qualified in first place to the California State Tournament. Despite being online this year, the club has grown strong and still meets to practice a couple times a week after school.” Congratulations to our 2021 team! Certainly, making it to the top levels of competition takes a tremendous amount of dedication and talent. I hope we continue to hear more of what they achieve and look forward to the results of the next competition! Great job, Warriors!



Tuesday, I had the opportunity to observe Troy NJROTC's Annual Military Inspection (AMI) held for the first time in the Virtual World during our hybrid model. This year, the "Pass and Review" was pre-recorded. US Navy Rear Admiral Nowakowski was in Zoom with our NJROTC cadets to preside over the AMI this year. Admiral Nowakowski was very impressed with our cadets, program, and school, and is looking forward to being able to make an in person visit in the hopefully, near future. Pictured above is our NJROTC preparing to compete in the NJROTC National Championships. This event will be virtual and teams will be sending in pre-recorded videos of the various components of the event. This may be the year for Troy! This is another great example of the motto, "Persevere, adapt, and overcome!"



Pictured above is quite the awards haul. You are probably thinking it must be from our Science Olympiad, or perhaps our NJROTC. This time you would be wrong. What is pictured is from Troy's Academic Decathlon teams! Medal Count: Individual (68) + Team (17)= 85 total medals. **Individual medals** (68 total) 14- first-place medals, 18- second-place medals, 14- third-place medals, 13- fourth-place medals, 9- fifth-place medals.

Subject medals 6- medals in Art, 8- medals in Econ, 8- medals in Essay, 5- medals in Interview 9- medals in Literature, 11- medals in Math, 7- medals in Music, 3- medals in Science, 6- medals in Social Science, 5- medals in Speech.

Academic Decathlon Advisor, and Troy Teacher Extraordinaire, Dr. Jesse Knowles wrote: *"We sent two teams to the county Academic Decathlon competition... one team earned first place, the other team earned 5th. Each of the 17 members we sent earned a team medal. One team is currently competing at state."*

Academic Decathlon Student Roster and medals earned:

Edward Bae-1, Jade Bahng- 1, Mary Castro- 1, Jun Chiang- 7, Aarav Dev-4, Pranay Dhoopar- 2, Cassandra Flandre-Nguyen- 6, Taewoo Han (Captain)- 2, Sean Jeong- 9, Shirley Jia- 10, Timothy Kim- 1, Kyle King- 2, Jaeyong Lee (Captain)- 7, Ryan Mya- 2, Amanda Rivada- 3 Andrew Sung- 2, Amir Valiulla- 9

Congratulations to all the members of the Troy Academic Decathlon Teams! For our 5th place team that is in the California State competition, that is ongoing until Monday. Good

luck!!! This competition is not easy and has been dominated by LAUSD schools El Camino and Granada Hills High School for the last quarter century! Go Troy!

The following information release was sent to all FJUSHD employees, however it is such awesome news I wanted to ensure our entire Troy Family had a chance to see this recognition for Assistant Superintendent, Dr. Sylvia Kaufman!

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FJUHSD Administrator Named 2021 Orange County Administrator of the Year

The Superintendent is pleased to announce that Dr. Sylvia Kaufman, Assistant Superintendent of Education and Assessment Services, was selected by ACSA Region 17 as the recipient of the 2021 Administrator of the Year in the Central Office Category!

ACSA annually recognizes outstanding administrators for their leadership skills, professionalism, creativity, innovation and commitment to a quality education. Dr. Kaufman will represent ACSA, Region 17 (Orange County) in the California Administrators of the Year Program.

Following is an excerpt from the letter announcing Dr. Kaufman's selection:

"For 49 years, the Association of California School Administrators has been recognizing outstanding public school leaders through its Administrator of the Year awards program. You have been selected as one of the leaders in Orange County for this prestigious award. Among the criteria used in the selection process, you were nominated for: 'sustained, positive impact on student achievement and learning; effective collaboration between education and community leaders in the creation and implementation of the program; exemplary management and educational practices that can be replicated by other schools, districts and communities; innovative approaches to dealing with complex challenges facing public education; and broad support and active involvement by the community.' Congratulations!"

In addition to being selected as Administrator of the Year, Central Office Category, Dr. Kaufman has made it to the final round of consideration for ACSA statewide awards. Dr. Kaufman was selected as a region finalist for ACSA's statewide awards in the Central Office Administrator of the Year category. Out of more than 250 state finalists, only 25 individuals will be chosen for state recognition throughout California, representing candidates from all 19 ACSA regions.

We wish Dr. Kaufman the best as she continues through the process and represents FJUHSD.

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Ok, there is a story here. Luna needed the doggie eardrops to adjust the chemistry in her floppy ears. She does not love the drops and after I put them in, immediately decided to rub her ears on the sofas. My solution to the problem? I put Luna in my Mammoth hoodie. It worked but not without drama.



Have a great weekend and stay warm! If you are inclined to go skiing, this would be a great weekend! Don't forget to set your clocks one hour ahead for Daylight Savings Time. I will see everyone on Monday morning!

W.V. Mynster