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Happy Friday! It has been an amazing week at Troy High School! We are almost at the 3rd quarter of the 2017—18 school year and grades will be available for students and parents in AERIES on March 22nd. The following week, beginning on March 26th, Troy and the entire FJUHSD will be on Spring Break, with school resuming on April 2nd. As a small taste of Spring Break, **this coming Monday, March 19th is a** <u>Pupil Free Day</u>!!!! With the exception of some athletic teams and NJROTC teams that will practice, there is no school for students!

On Monday, Troy had a scheduled State Attendance Audit. Thank you to our lead Attendance Clerk, Olivia Palmer and Assistant Principal, Ms. Caroline Llewellyn for ensuring our school's attendance reporting and records keeping are in line with State expectations. This is an extremely important task, as it is how schools are funded. Troy Staff, if you have not yet read, Ms. Llewellyn's email please do so, and then follow the instructions. ⁽²⁾ Great job!



This week, our AVID 1 students adopted a few doors around campus as part of their college research projects. These are three examples of the fifteen or so doors on campus. The

desire for students at Troy to go to college and prepare for rewarding careers is high. We are a unique school in that we offer several outstanding programs / pathways to help **ALL** of our students get to college. Troy Tech, International Baccalaureate, ROP, and AVID are important parts of the whole that is Troy High School. This year AVID seniors are the first graduating group of students from their program and like seniors throughout Troy, they already they are receiving their college acceptances. Here is a small sample of some of the fine four-year schools to which they have been accepted so far... CSU Fullerton, Boise State University, Northern Arizona University, Loyola University of Chicago, Indiana University, UC Riverside, University of Oregon, UC Merced, Ohio State University, Point Loma Nazarene University, Colorado State University, Airforce Academy, CSU San Francisco, Azusa Pacific University, Baylor University, Chapman University, Texas Christian University, University of Hawaii, University of Washington, Vangard University and the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences. The full list can be found on our school website under the AVID link, and it is updated by AVID Coordinator, Ms. Tiffany Robinson with regularity and joy!



Last Friday, students in our ROP classes, *Principles of Teaching and Learning* attended the *Tomorrow's Teacher Conference* at Santiago Canyon College. Troy ROP Teacher, Ms. Amy Jensen reported the students had the opportunity to hear Mr. Terrance Roberts, one of the Little Rock Nine, give the keynote speech. In the past I have also heard Mr. Roberts speak about his experiences and what he and others overcame to have the opportunity to obtain an education are truly inspirational. Our students also attended four breakout sessions and enjoyed lunch before heading home. It sounds like it was a great day for some of our future teachers!



New for the 2017-18 school year, Cheer became a CIF regulated sport! This means they have to follow all the rules other sports teams follow, and over the past two weekends they have competed at Whittier High School and Torrance High School. Both our JV and Varsity teams have been doing well, and in this picture this is our JV Cheer posing with one of their awards! Thank you to our coaches, adviser, and Cheer Boosters for supporting our cheerleaders! While the competition season is now underway, our cheerleaders do a fantastic job supporting our athletic teams and school events all year long! Being a cheerleader is not easy, and quite frankly there are a great many athletes that would struggle to achieve the speed, flexibility, and coordination displayed by these athletes. Great job Warriors!

Thursday the Troy Robotics team, DesTROYers-Team 3952 and their advisers, Troy Teachers, Mr. Kent Goodman and Mr. Mike Reid left for the FIRST Robotics competition held this year at the Fairplex in Pomona. Yesterday was a good day as according to Mr. Goodman as the Troy robot cleared inspection and was signed off on the first try! This has never happened in the past, and perhaps is a good omen for this year! Each year our team has improved and the actual competition begins today and concludes on Saturday. Go DesTROYers-Team 3952! I will have pictures next week for the Warrior Weekly!





On Tuesday afternoon at Fullerton District Stadium the amazing Marine Corp band, Commandant's Own performed for JROTC's and school bands from throughout FJUSHD and Orange County. The Commandant's Own performance has to be seen to be believed. The music, precision, and complexity of their performance was amazing! They also have an armed exhibition drill team from which the Marine in the dark uniform pictured above is part of that unit—also fantastic! This event was scheduled in just over a week after the Marine Corp had a cancellation and then contacted Commander Lauper. Thank you to FUHS principal, Ms. Laura Rubio, and M & O Director, Mr. Todd Butcher for helping this happen in short order. The Marines were very impressed with our stadium facilities and they were equally impressed with how many enthusiastic people were in the home stands on such short notice! We have extended an offer to the Marines to return next year, and I think they will be back. Next time with significant prior notice, I think we will fill the stadium! Go, JROTC's, and Go, U.S. Marines!



On Wednesday, there was a student protest that went nationwide to protest gun violence in our schools throughout the country. Students at Troy, throughout FJUSHD, California, and virtually every state in the nation walked out of their classrooms for seventeen minutes to lend their voices and draw further attention to this critical issue in our nation. While not everyone can or will agree on these student actions, what can be agreed upon is that students coming together nationally did focus attention on this issue. Perhaps this is the beginning of the end of the cycle of violence in our nation's schools and public spaces? Perhaps we should all do more to make it so. "Thoughts and prayers" go a long way, but actions speak louder than words.



More spring athletics! Boys' Tennis won all three of their matches this week, opening with Freeway League victories over Buena Park and La Habra! They also beat Orange Lutheran 14-4, which is no small task! Boys' Golf continues to roll with a huge win yesterday over Walnut 194-199 at Hacienda—remember in golf the low score wins. ^(c) This team is shooting ridiculously low scores with Alex Makimoto, Paul Khang, Mitchell Sima, and Jetty Sivongsay

leading the way. Varsity baseball opened Freeway League play with a 6-0 win vs. Buena Park! Additionally, our Freshman Baseball team is also having a phenomenal start to their season! Softball is having a really nice year, winning two more games this week, beating El Dorado 4-3 and Garden Grove 6-0! Last but not least, Track & Field held their annual Rotary meet at the new Fullerton High School track last Saturday. While it was a little wet with the rain, the track held up. Next week we open Freeway League competition on our home track on Thursday vs. Buena Park! Spring sports are a lot of fun both to play and watch! If you have not yet taken the advantage of coming out to support our teams, please do! June will be here before you know it!

It is the weekend, and honestly with the weather forecast we have been getting all week, I don't know if it is going to rain or not. It does sound like it will be cold, so plan accordingly and try to stay warm. We have got to get past the nasty colds that have been making the rounds at Troy, and hopefully we are almost done. Students, enjoy your three-day weekend! Troy Staff, enjoy your two day weekend. We will take the following week off. © Everyone, have a Happy St. Patrick's Day on Saturday, and I will see our Troy Staff back here on Monday for our Professional Development day! Troy students, I will see you in classes on Tuesday!

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