



TROY HIGH SCHOOL WARRIOR WEEKLY



March 9, 2018

Will it rain? Will it be sunny? We will see. Happy Friday either way! It has been another busy week and it is full speed ahead as we leap forward into springtime! On that note, do not forget to move your clocks ahead for Daylight Savings Time on Saturday night / Sunday morning! If you forget, do not worry as you will not be late to school on Monday and you can fix your watch at that time. ☺



Last weekend Troy hosted the 14th Annual Dave Wittry Memorial Programming contest. Thank you to Computer Science Teacher, Mr. Don Allen for providing this detailed information on the final outcome. “Six additional High Schools joined Troy in this three programming contest. With 41 teams and 100 plus students working in teams to create code to solve as many different problems as possible, Troy students once again showed why Troy is one of the most respected STEM schools in the nation. The team of Ahmed Abdalla, Jarred Allen and Alex Tsao followed their win at Progfest last Saturday with another winning performance finishing in first

place. Coming in second was the team of Matt Tran, Lydia Chan and Felianne Teng. The third place team was Andrew Chen, Angela Wang and Regina Wand. Shivana Anand, Ashley Lin and Megan Loh were our top sophomores finishing fourth.” Great job Warriors! Being the best never gets old! Our school and most certainly your teacher, Mr. Allen, are very proud of your accomplishments!

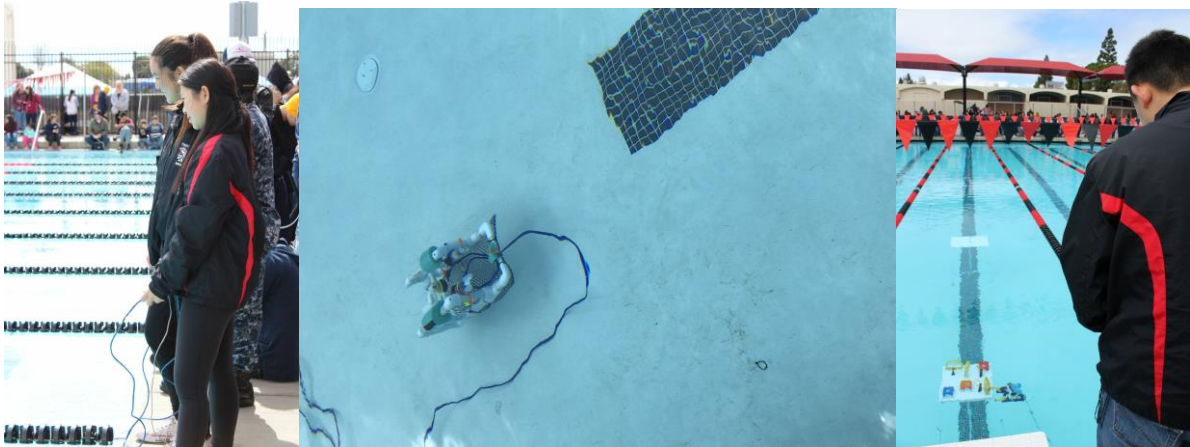


Yesterday, March 8th was International Women’s Day. While this day of celebration is not new as it has been recognized by the United Nations since 1975, it is only recently gaining more attention and rightfully so. There are many women not only in this country but worldwide who have worked tirelessly for equal rights in virtually every area, employment, suffrage, personal property, marriage, equal treatment under the law, this list goes on and on. Despite significant gains in the last 80 years, we have seen striking reminders of how far we still have to go to achieve true equality in our society. International Women’s Day is a small but powerful reminder that the movement continues. Thank you to Troy World Language Department Chairperson, Ms. Teresa Mormont for providing some of the details I have included!

Our Apollo Strings orchestra performed very well at a music festival on Monday when they received a Superior rating for their performance at Kennedy High School! Their performance of *Air for Strings* and *Serenade in E* has qualified them for Regional Finals! Great job to these students and congratulations to their Director, Mr. Joseph Castillo!

Last weekend was our 3rd Annual Southern California Sea Perch Challenge. Our teams did very well and it was a very well attended competition with over sixty teams! It is always fun to have the ability for students to be able to apply the knowledge they have acquired in our classes. Being able to create robots they control and then be able to maneuver them through obstacle courses and complete tasks is huge in terms of inspiring students to pursue STEM in the

future! At Troy, the growth and development of our teams within the Navy's Sea Perch competition is a natural application of our students' interests and with another team qualifying the National Championship later this year, it is clear we are on the right track! Great job!



Yesterday afternoon and well on into the evening we held one of two Troy Tech Acceptance events in which students that have been invited into our Troy Tech Magnet Program are given additional information as well as proposed courses they would be taking if they come to Troy. In the end, there are often multiple programs students are contemplating and they need this information to make their final decisions on where they would like to attend high school. It was a very busy evening, and we had four waves of students and parents come through our school well past 8:00pm. Thank you to all the certificated and classified staff members, and our parent volunteers that made this evening a huge success! Without all of you, Troy High School would not be the place it has become over the past thirty years. It was a great night, and we all got a sneak peak as some of our incoming freshmen for 2018-19!

Thank you to our Best Buddies Club and their advisers, Teachers Ms. Jenny Redmond and Ms. Jennifer Heuerman for the annual school wide campaign, ***Spread the Word to End the Word!*** This is an important campaign and all of us are sensitive to the needs and emotions of others. For those with cognitive special needs, the “R-word” is hurtful not only to them, but to those that care for them. On Tuesday, our students aired a video on the *Omnia* morning announcements and in the video asked that students and staff sign the pledge cards to not use the “R-word.” Please sign the cards and post them to the banner! We love all our Warriors!



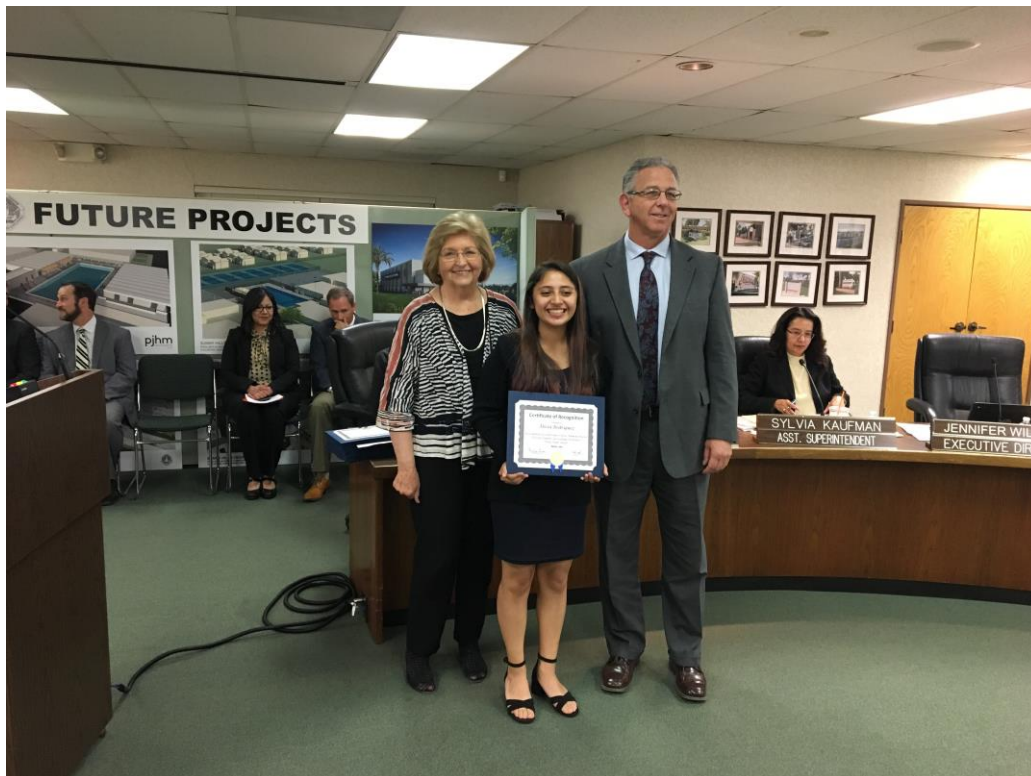
Thank you to Troy NJROTC’s Commander Lauper for helping make a rare opportunity possible for our students and community. Earlier this week, Commander sent out this email to Troy High School staff members. *On Tuesday, March 13th, we are privileged to host The Commandant's Own Marine Corps Drum and Bugle Corps, Battle Colors Detachment, and Silent Drill team for a performance at Fullerton Stadium at 2:00pm. The Commandant's Own is based out of Washington, DC, and performs at the Marine Corps Memorial, for various heads of state, and at international drum and bugle competitions around the globe. They conduct winter*

*training in Yuma, Arizona. Upon completion of their winter training, they perform at **six** high schools and at local Marine Corps bases. The majority of their high school performances have been in Riverside, but this year, we are able to pull them to Fullerton for one show only. This is going to be an amazing opportunity and JROTC students from all FJUHSD high schools have been invited. I have never seen this Marine Corp group in person, although I have seen them on television at numerous events. Thank you to Commander Lauper, Fullerton Principal, Ms. Laura Rubio, and Director of M & O, Mr. Todd Butcher for helping to organize this event on short notice!*

https://www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=703&v=L_UMzMuRyuQ

<http://www.drumcorps.marines.mil/>

At the March 6th Board Meeting, the Superintendent and the Board of Trustees recognized two special groups of students. The first group to be recognized was the Every Student Succeeding student group. Each principal in FJUSHD had the opportunity to select one student that has overcome obstacles on their path to graduation, yet they have persevered. Our honoree is Troy senior, Ms. Alicia Rodriguez!



The second group of students and their teacher to be recognized were from the Visual and Performing Arts. Each school selected a teacher and students that have excelled in their program

and were selected for recognition. From Troy, Choir Director Mr. Mark Henson and singers, Kyle Reynolds and Yadira Aguilar were recognized for their outstanding achievement!



Also last weekend, our NJROTC Brain Brawl teams placed 2nd and 4th at a competition held at El Camino Real High School. This means they will be competing in the Area 11 (California State) Championships on March 24th. Again, congratulations to NJROTC! It is clear they are a very well oiled machine!



It is spring sports and all of our athletic teams are doing well! Boys' Golf is already 5-1 on the season and won a 1-stroke victory over Anaheim Discovery last week! Track and Field

competed at Segerstrom High School yesterday and while I do not yet have the results we have very competitive teams. Girls' Softball is having a nice start to the season with a win over Brea High School 5-4! Currently they have a 4-2 record and they are playing well! Last but not least, we have a home Swim meet today against Villa Park! If you have not yet seen a competition in our new pool, come on out and support our athletes!



It looks like rain is in our forecast for the next two days. Then it looks like some more days of rain next week. I don't love it, but we do need the rain. I plan to make the best of it and will probably do my taxes and watch some sports on the television. My dog Luna is also preparing for possible backyard flooding due to the rain and I think she is ready. I wish everyone a great weekend! Rest, relax, and I will see everyone Monday morning!



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