



TROY HIGH SCHOOL WARRIOR WEEKLY



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As we continue our Online Troy High School Distance Learning Program, I continue to be impressed with our students and teachers. This is a period in time that will live on in our memories long after it has ended and we have returned to our “normal” lives. What we do today matters tomorrow and has strong implications for the future. This was true before the pandemic and will remain true when it is over. Listening and watching what our students and teachers are teaching and learning, even in difficult times can give all of us hope for a brighter tomorrow and a better future for all of us. One thing is for sure, all of us are more closely connected throughout the world than we probably realized. When the pandemic is over, it will be interesting to see what positive changes in the world will come as result, and what part will we play as Warriors? We are all in this together and I am very optimistic for our future. ☺

AP Exams are coming! For all our students that registered for AP exams, I strongly encourage you to keep on track and take these exams. I know the format is different and you may be worried. Keep faith that you know the material and your teachers have prepared you well. There is a reason we have an average pass rate of 90% for all taken AP exams, with many courses having higher averages! You will do well, even in an oddball year like this one.

https://apcoronavirusupdates.collegeboard.org/educators/taking-the-exams/ap-exam-schedule?SFMC_cid=EM298257-&rid=29613194 This link to College Board gives the scheduled AP exam dates. Any student wishing to take an AP exam that remains listed in the AP

Classroom with a “yes” on Monday, April 20th, they will receive a code from College Board to take their AP exams in May. Troy AP Coordinator, Ms. Lisa Avila will not be able to process any cancellation / refund requests after April 19th. Let me repeat what I previously stated, Troy students are well prepared, and will do very well on the AP Exams in 2020! Go Warriors!

Due to virtual online Troy High School, the Troy Tech Fair is going to be different. But I bet it is going to be awesome! Keep an eye out for the link to the fair on April 30th!

Troy Families:

April 30, 2020

Virtual Troy Tech Fair

featuring our 407 Troy Tech Seniors

The link will be sent to you that day.



Yesterday and this morning I received word from Troy Business Teacher, Ms. Deborah Henniger on the performance of Troy's students on the Communication Skills for Business Certification Test. *"Tuesday and Wednesday 181 Business students passed their certification test...I am very proud of all of our students."*

Ms. Henniger mentioned a few students also participated an additional event. *"We had seven students that participated in the optional Mock Interviews yesterday from 3:00-4:30 with Walt De Jong - an AV manager from Disney that does a great deal of hiring for them. He gave them valuable pointers on their resume' and cover letters, and was very impressed with our students. The students all dressed in business professional attire, and did a wonderful job with their 30 second elevator pitch, a project we completed earlier this year."*

Students, just in case you don't know how your teacher feels about you, here is a glimpse from Ms. Henniger. *"Thank you for the opportunity to work with our amazing students. I learn from them every day, and feel privileged to be their teacher."* Just to be clear, I am grateful we were able to hire Ms. Henniger a number of years ago and we are also the lucky ones. Thank you Ms. Deborah Henniger for all you do for Troy's students!

Yesterday, we received some wonderful news from AP Economics Teacher, Mr. David St.Clair regarding Troy students participating in the National Personal Finance Challenge! How our students performed was outstanding, made even more awesome by the current situation in which we all find ourselves. While Troy staff received this news yesterday, it bears repeating! In, Mr. St. Clair's own words: *"Good Afternoon Warriors, Myself and four students just ended a virtual personal finance competition through the California Council on Economic Education. Shivana Anand, Soham Bose, Justin Lee, and Cassia Yeo did a tremendous job and finished in 2nd place for the state of California. The students had 90 minutes to create a financial plan for a fictitious client emphasizing short, mid and long term goals. Virtually working in a group through Zoom, the students created a wonderful and detailed google slide presentation that they presented to the judges after lunch. It was a long day, but the judges were very impressed with our students. In the end we missed out on first by only a couple points. I think Shivana, Soham, Justin, and Cassia enjoyed a much needed break in their daily COVID 19 routines, and will enjoy even more a \$200 check! If you have them in your class be sure to congratulate them, they*

made Troy proud! Great job Warriors!” Simply outstanding! Great job, to our outstanding students, and great job Mr. David St. Clair!

I received this message from our Fullerton Council PTA president, Ms. Wendy Reid.

“Fullerton Council PTA offers scholarships to graduating seniors each year, and although the yearly luncheon at Coyote Hills where we present these scholarships is cancelled, we are still awarding them to qualified seniors. We really felt strongly about not cancelling another thing for our class of 2020. Here is the link to the application and instructions:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/185k3hABt72y6m78fr2BfbSnh08SZan8V/view?usp=drivesdk>

We just want to make sure that the seniors (or their parents) know of this opportunity. In addition to the scholarship, each recipient receives some nice new swag from their new school.” Of note, never mind the scholarship due date in the application. The new due date is May 1st.

Troy Family, our Choir Teacher / Director, Mr. Mark Henson sent this notice out to Troy Staff this morning, but it is also something that is available to a wider audience. You are not going to want to miss this! From Mr. Henson: Live stream featuring THS performers



At 7:30 tonight, two Troy students (Angelina Kharrat & Madison Zaragoza) will be featured singing in "Virtual Cabaret" live streaming on YouTube. This is a weekly

project that was born out of quarantining, and features students as well as Broadway professionals.

Tonight's installment will feature the two Troy students and two students from University HS in Irvine. The Broadway pros are Nicole Parker (Elphaba in "Wicked", series regular in "MadTV," etc.) who graduated from University HS, and Alli Mauzey (Glinda in "Wicked," Lenora in "Cry Baby," Brenda in "Hairspray," etc.) who is my former student from Brea Olinda HS.

Feel free to check it out live at 7:30 this evening, by clicking [here](#).



Luna loves coming to Troy. This morning, I opened the door to the SUV, and Luna was inside and waiting before I was even ready to go. There are numerous reasons she loves Troy, after all we all have our reasons. However, I believe Luna is the only Warrior that loves Troy because she wants to hunt squirrels. She has never caught a squirrel, and I don't anticipate her ever being successful, but that does not stop her from trying. ☺

We have made it to the weekend! Students, you continue to be amazing! Teachers, you continue to be incredible! I hope everyone has the opportunity this weekend to take some time to rest, relax, and reflect. We have much for which to be grateful. It looks like the weekend is going to be cool and a little rainy, with that cycle continuing for part of next week. Stay warm! I will see everyone back in our Online Troy High School on Monday!

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