## TROY HIGH SCHOOL WARRIOR WEEKLY



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Drawn by Mrs. Shannon Cogswell, 2024.

Warriors, anyone in our Troy Family knows it has been a very busy week. We are in IB, and Cambridge testing season and we are about to enter AP testing season. Final exams will be coming up very soon a few weeks after we get to the month of May...we are getting close to the end of the school year. Students, keep up the great work and don't let up, the finish line is in sight and we all want to finish the year strong! Let's go Warriors!

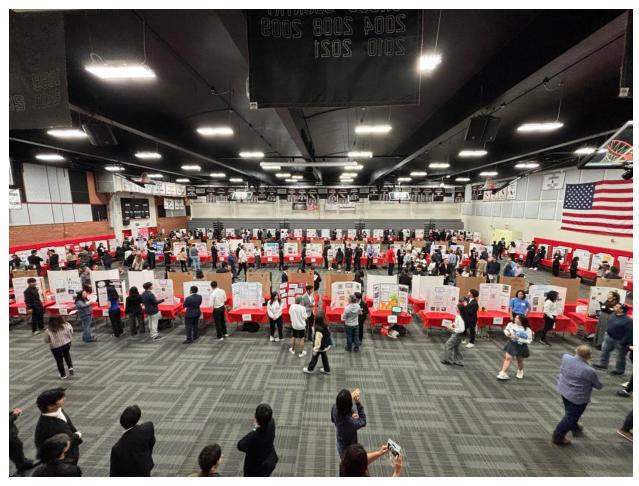
On Monday, we had an otherwise normal day becoming not normal when we and Fullerton PD received a phone threat on Monday afternoon during 5<sup>th</sup> period. That phone threat, thankfully was a hoax, but necessitated an immediate response which resulted in our lockdown to ensure the safety of everyone in our school. The staff and students at Troy performed quickly and did a commendable job locking down in short order, including all the athletes and coaches that were here for Swim prelims. Thank you to Troy Teacher and Swim Coach, Ms. Summer Driessen and the other FJUSHD staff members who were at the pool, who adjusted and adapted,

successfully changing gears and getting everyone out of the water and into buildings very quickly! This is another reason all employees throughout FJUSHD practice our emergency drills, so our knowledge of procedures translates to effective response in the moment. Throughout our school, students and staff did what they were supposed to do, and the police secured the outside of campus and inside to ensure our safety. About an hour later, we were able to end the lockdown, notification went out from the Superintendent, students went to their 6<sup>th</sup> period classes, and the Swim prelims resumed. Thank you to our Troy Staff, Students, Parents, local Fullerton Police Department, Cal-State Police Department, Superintendent McLaughlin, District Administration, and Staff Members who all came to our assistance. Student safety is our first priority and we are thankful and grateful for our Troy Family / FJUHSD Family.



Very early on Tuesday morning, the high school rankings from the above entity were released. There is a live link to Troy High School inside of the logo above. Each school ranking entity has their metrics, and how they tie into data from the California School Dashboard or other data they choose to mine from various agencies like the College Board and their Advanced Placement examinations is up to them. A handful of places up or down in the rankings don't make any difference especially when the comparisons are often "apples to oranges." Here is one example in the U.S. News & World Report rankings for 2024. In the California category they combine all the public schools together no matter if they are magnet, charter, or subject specific such as for the Arts. There is also a wide range in schools size with 13 schools ranked higher than Troy having more than 1000 students, and only 4 schools ranked higher than Troy having

more than 2,000 students. The bottom line, we are doing well and are actually stronger this year as a school than last year. Check out these rankings examine all the schools if you like, recognizing the fact we are being celebrated as one of the top schools in the region, State and Nation! Students at Troy High School are obtaining an education that will open many doors and opportunities in the future. Providing opportunities for students is what we do at Troy. ©



On Wednesday, we held the Annual Troy Tech Fair in both the North and South Gyms. 397 Troy Tech Seniors were present with displays to discuss their internships as part of the Troy Tech Magnet Program. Our Troy Tech Coordinator, Ms. Laurie Downum-Bonnett and our Troy Tech Advisors were all very involved in our students' successful completion of their internships from the process of determining where to complete their internships to all the paperwork and timelines needing to be met. These internships are always a unique and an individually personal way for students to connect their academic knowledge to their interests, and hopefully then connected to what they want to study in college and apply to a career. Our students truly have some amazing experiences and I am always, always, always, impressed by their achievements.

If you missed our Troy Tech Fair, or want to see more, here are some virtual links to the event!

- The 6:45 p.m. Recognition Ceremony was broadcast by Omnia. Link here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zDsyrii1\_vU
- The VIRTUAL Troy Tech Fair 2024 will be active through Sunday evening. Slides are in order by Troy Tech Internship Advisor and then by Student Last Name Initial. See LINK to Master List <a href="https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1J06WQFzCPd-80ECNNqL6u3V\_SX9h1HHGQhj02C1WyTE/edit?usp=sharing">https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1J06WQFzCPd-80ECNNqL6u3V\_SX9h1HHGQhj02C1WyTE/edit?usp=sharing</a> For the privacy of the students, only First Name and Last Initial were used.
  - VIRTUAL Troy Tech Fair 2024 Slides Part 1
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  - <u>VIRTUAL Troy Tech Fair 2024 Slides Part 2</u>

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  - The slides will advance in sequential order unless you select the bottom left corner. Then select the slide control to navigate to a different slide in the presentation.





All the above pictures at the end of the prior page and this top of page are of the Troy Tech Senior Recognition Ceremony. The intro was done by Assistant Principal, Mr. Lance Bletscher, and hosted by Troy Tech Coordinator, Ms. Laurie Downum-Bonnett. Troy Tech Senior, Ms. Ysabelle Kate Lao gave a wonderful recollection of her time in the Troy Tech program. Pictured below is Board Member Ms. Marilyn Buchi speaking with a student about his internship.





Pictured above is the Troy Tech Fair in the North Gym and in the South Gym. Pictured below



are two Troy seniors, Elizabeth Cresap and Emma Mason who both received FSTO college scholarship awards. Also pictured are Counselor, Ms. Sarah Saleen, FSTO President, Ms. Angie Cencak, Couselor, Ms. Dionne Evans, and Superintendent, Dr. Steve McLaughlin.



## **Mental Health Resources:**

FJUHSD Virtual Calming Room: <a href="https://sites.google.com/fjuhsd.org/fjuhsd-virtual-calming-room/home">https://sites.google.com/fjuhsd.org/fjuhsd-virtual-calming-room/home</a>

FJUHSD Mental Health Resources: <a href="https://www.fjuhsd.org/domain/1476">https://www.fjuhsd.org/domain/1476</a>

OC Support and Crisis Resources: <a href="https://www.namioc.org/help-support-overview">https://www.namioc.org/help-support-overview</a>

Your Health Matters! March, 2024 This is a new, wonderful resource! Check it out!

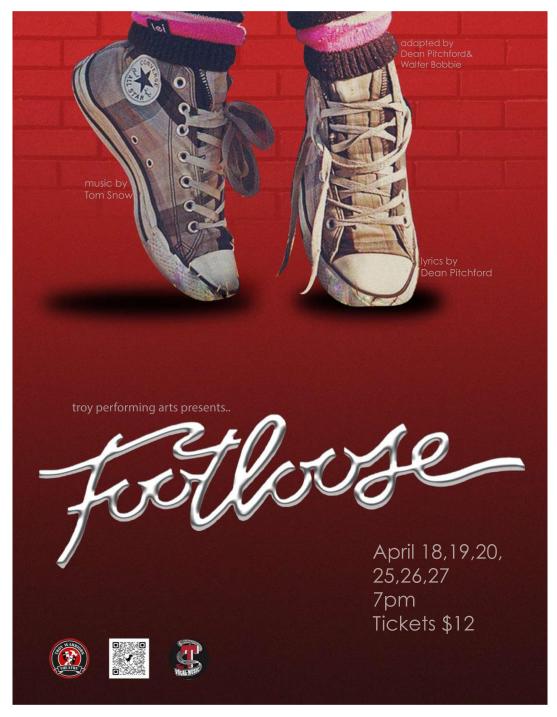


## Niche 2024 Best Schools

We love Troy High School! It is also rewarding to see when other entities that rank schools also agree, and reward the hard work of our Students, Teachers, Parents, Counselors, Staff, FJUHSD Board and Administrators! Thank you, Warrior Family!



Warriors, this is the QR code for all the FJUHSD social media. There are many, many, awesome events, activities, athletics, and recognitions happening in FJUHSD and Troy High School! Additionally, for even more information for the happenings in FJUHSD here is the link to the April, 2024 FJUHSD Superintendent's Newsletter. This is always a great source for global FJUHSD insights, news, and events! <a href="https://conta.cc/49ijXbT">https://conta.cc/49ijXbT</a>



Step into the electrifying world of Troy High School's Spring Musical, Footloose! With infectious music and exhilarating dance numbers, Footloose is a high-energy journey of freedom, friendship, and the power of youth to defy the odds. Join us for an unforgettable evening of toe-tapping tunes and heart-pounding excitement as Troy High School brings this beloved story to life on stage! Show dates are April 19, 20 & April 25, 26, 27. Tickets are on sale now! Opening night was last night, and it was awesome! Do not miss this show!



Next Wednesday, May 1<sup>st</sup> representatives from Fullerton College will be on campus to meet our Seniors who are interested in attending FC next year. We will be in the Theatre during 2nd and 3rd periods. Students will receive information about the Promise Program (which provides 2 years of free education!), Career Technical Education, Honors Pathway and more. After break, students will return to get hands-on assistance with the enrollment steps. It is a great opportunity for any of our seniors who are considering attending Fullerton College. There is a link to sign-up on the flyer.



On Wednesday, the Freeway League Track and Field Finals were held at Fullerton High School. The meet concluded at 9:45pm but there were some terrific performances from all FJUSHD schools! Here are a couple more photos of athletes who had an outstanding Final. Below left,



sprinter Zoe Mendiola with one of three wins. Pictured at right, Neya Jakan picks up her second Freeway League title in the 3200 (2 mile) race, and she also won the 1600 (mile).



Our NJROTC Drone Soccer team was at it this week at the Academic Drone Soccer World Cup! While they had fun, they likely did not do as well as they hoped. Yet they also had the opportunity to take in some of the other types of drones that are out there in this field.



There are tremendous opportunities for people who learn how to operate drones, as these are being used in industries from the military to utilities and farming. Awesome opportunities are ahead for students who have interest and aptitude in engineering, robotics, and drone piloting skills for those who take advantage of these opportunities. Great job, Warriors!





Wednesday was also Administrative Professionals Day wherein we are able to celebrate the many capable and wonderful members of our Troy Family that make our school work on a day-to-day basis. Pictured above are members of our Warriors Band playing "Take me out to the Ballgame" which was the theme for our celebration and luncheon in honor of our Administrative Professionals. Thank you to our Counselors for organizing the celebration. Thank you to all our

amazing and crucial Administrative Professionals! Troy High School would not be even close to as successful as we are, without you being here everyday!



On Thursday night, Troy's Film held our annual Wally Awards for Excellence in Film. Troy Film Teacher, Mr. Jim Falletta has more information on the winners!

We held our 10th annual Wally Awards last night! It was definitely a packed house and a fantastic showcase for our talented students here. Many students, friends, and family members were in attendance to support and watch over 25 fantastic films!

If you have some time over the next few days (or need to occupy your students with moving pictures while you get some grading done;), please take a moment to show some of these films to your classes. The <u>playlist</u> to our show is located

here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLi0ci4tVczcaBo
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Beyond the general playlist, the list of winning films is below. Please congratulate the students involved if you have any of them in your classes.

- 1. **Best in Show** <u>Drowning</u> Jayden Beaumont and Nicole Giacoletti (<a href="https://youtu.be/AywUYqGwVf8">https://youtu.be/AywUYqGwVf8</a>)
- 2. **Best Drama** <u>Hiraeth</u> Van Duong (<u>https://youtu.be/3EAOMzkazVM</u>)

- 3. **Best Music Video** <u>String Theory</u> Violet Chen, Anthony Falletta, Caleb Huss, Lexie McMillen, Andre Taberna, Logan Taylor (https://youtu.be/ciKSHTHAzd0)
- 4. **Best Short Form** <u>Unrequited</u> Jason Jimenez (<u>https://youtu.be/ZfXiLLngC38</u>)
- 5. **Best Commercial** <u>iDuck</u> Violet Chen, Anthony Falletta, Caleb Huss, Lexie McMillen, Andre Taberna, Logan Taylor (<u>https://youtu.be/M9Or09Flv6A</u>)
- 6. **Best Trailer** <u>My Invisible Cyborg Friend</u> Violet Chen, Lexie McMillen (<u>https://youtu.be/3uaPIeC48p0</u>)

Jim Falletta

Film Teacher, Troy High School



Luna is saying, let's go! We are going to have some great weather this weekend, and I think springtime is here to stay. Hopefully you will be able enjoy some time with family and friends, take a hike, have a BBQ, go to a car show, be outside and take advantage of being in Southern California. Have a wonderful weekend, and I look forward to seeing everyone back here on Monday morning!

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