



TROY HIGH SCHOOL WARRIOR WEEKLY



May 14, 2021

Warriors,

After today, there are two weeks left in the 2020-21 school year! Seniors, final exams begin for you on Thursday, May 20th through Monday, May 24th. Seniors, make sure all work that needs to be turned in to your teachers is done with time to spare! For all students in every grade, it is of the utmost importance to finish for all students to finish the year strong!

All of us have gone through this pandemic together, and it has been a challenging year. Orange County is anticipated to move into the COVID-19 Yellow Tier either May 18th or 19th, joining Los Angeles County and many other counties throughout the State of California. Yesterday the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and President Biden announced changes to federal mask policies for those that have been vaccinated. Do keep in mind that individual States and counties have the final say on masking and other COVID-19 related rules until the pandemic is officially declared to be over.

Regarding continued wearing of masks in FJUHS, Mr. Manuel Macias our District COVID Administrator sent out the following guidance this morning. *“Although the CDC has updated its guidance and recommendations for masks (indoors and outdoors) for fully vaccinated people, CDPH and OCHCA have yet to update their guidance regarding masks for fully vaccinated individuals in schools. **Students and staff must continue to wear a face-***

covering at all times, while at school. All safety protocols currently in our Health and Safety Plans must be followed (indoor and outdoor).

District Lead Nurse Ynette Johnson is seeking further guidance from OCHCA and we will provide an update once we have it."

For our athletes a real immediate change for them in the FJUSHD as a result of the anticipated move to the Yellow Tier by Orange County, will be they no longer have to test for COVID-19 to keep playing sports! This change is effective on Monday, May 17th

As I have previously reported, Governor Newsom has made it clear the State of California will reopen fully on June 15th and the color coded COVID-19 tier system ends. With the changes from the CDC on masking, it remains to be seen what the mask rules will be at that time, but stay tuned. Governor Newsom has also been very clear and increasingly vocal, making comments on Monday in regards to all students returning to school in person for the fall 2021-22 school year. *"The state's in-person learning exemption would lapse after June 30 and "everybody should be back in the fall and in person."* This is true in the Fullerton Joint Union High School District at all our comprehensive high schools. We will not have hybrid classes in the fall as even though I know this method of instruction cannot be implemented better than our Troy and FJUHS teachers have done it this year, hybrid simply does not compare favorably to in-person learning.

At Troy, we all look forward to the end of this year, and the return to the high level college prep and college level instruction, socialization, school events, sports, activities, Back to School Nights, Open House, Troy Tech, IB, Cambridge, AVID, NJROTC, Theatre, Choir, and Instrumental Music performances, rallies, Prom, and the Elf Dance! All of us have persevered, and have beaten this pandemic and will be stronger and more resilient for having gone through this together! We are proud to be Troy Warriors and part of the FJUHS family!



AP Exams continue into the end of Week 2! Today and Monday are the last examinations in the 1st exam administration! The 2nd AP exam administration is Digital at Home and begins for our students on Tuesday, May 18th! AP students, make sure you are well rested, relaxed, and have eaten a good meal prior to being ON TIME for the exam. For Monday's in person exams:

MAY 2021 AP EXAM DETAILS AND INSTRUCTIONS

For MORNING Exams:

- Report to campus at **7:00 AM** to the entrance near the **North Gym**.
- You will complete the daily check-in process (i.e., Since cell phones are not allowed in the exam, Qualtrics will not be used for checking in. Rather, students will complete a paper screening form with any recent symptoms, receive a temperature check and obtain a wristband before proceeding to the exam.)
- Please proceed directly to your testing room and line up for check-in.

For AFTERNOON Exams:

- Report to campus at **11:00 AM** to the entrance near the **North Gym**.
- You will complete the daily check in process (i.e., Since cell phones are not allowed in the exam, Qualtrics will not be used for checking in. Rather, students will complete a paper screening form with any recent symptoms, receive a temperature check and obtain a wristband before proceeding to the exam.)
- Please proceed directly to your testing room and line up for check-in.

YOU ARE TO READ ALL EMAIL COMMUNICATION FROM TOTAL REGISTRATION REGARDING YOUR EXAMS AND EXAM LOCATIONS.



WHAT TO BRING



Bring **ONLY** the following items in a clear plastic bag:

- A photo ID (i.e., student ID card, passport, or California issued ID or driver's license card)
- Sharpened number two pencils.
- A few pens with blue or black ink.
- An approved calculator, if needed for the exam. A list of approved calculators may be found here: <https://apstudents.collegeboard.org/exam-policies-guidelines/calculator-policies>
- Optional: A clear, plastic disposable water bottle with the label removed (no reusable water bottles allowed).



WHAT NOT TO BRING



The following items are prohibited. If a student is observed with any of these items during testing or breaks they may be dismissed from the exam, the device may be confiscated, the student's score may be canceled, and no retest will be permitted:

- No purses, bags or backpacks of any kind.
- No electronic equipment including phones, smartwatches, fitness trackers, wearable technology, cameras, recording or listening devices, or any other type of electronic or communication device. The only exceptions to the above restrictions are Chromebooks or other devices specifically required to be used for in-school digital testing.
- No books, reference guides, notes, compasses, protractors, mechanical pencils, pencils that are not No. 2, correction fluid, dictionaries, highlighters, or colored pencils.
- No scratch paper. *Scratch paper will be provided, if allowed.*
- No watches that beep, make a noise, or have an alarm.
- No calculators that are not approved.
- No reference guides, keyboard maps, or other typing instructions.
- No ear plugs.
- No clothing or shoes with subject-related information.
- No food or drink. *Note: You may access free meals at the cafeteria before school, at break, or at lunch.*
- No clipboards.

For students taking the Digital at Home AP Exams, in the 2nd and 3rd AP testing administrations, please make sure you are following the College Board procedures for digital testing. This means students taking a digital exam must follow these procedures. From our AP Coordinator, Ms. Lisa Avila: “The digital, at-home AP exams will begin next week and it is imperative that students have followed the appropriate steps necessary to take the exam. If students are using school-issued Chromebooks, the app is already installed, but they still need to login and follow the additional instructions 1- 3 days before their exam and then logon 30 minutes before the start time on exam day. Students who are using their own at-home computer will need to download and install the digital app before logging in.

<https://apcentral.collegeboard.org/about-ap-2021/updates/four-steps-before-digital-test>



Here is the National Championship NJROTC Brain Brawl perpetual trophy. Hopefully we can keep it for more than one year! Currently the trophy is in our NJROTC, but at some point this summer it will find its way into the main Troy High School Trophy Case in the Main Office!

Recapping our NJROTC winning the Brain Brawl, on May 1st, Troy High School became the first West Coast school to win the NJROTC Brain Brawl Championship. The Brain

Brawl is a Jeopardy style academic competition focused on the NJROTC curriculum and current events. On our winning team is comprised of the following cadets:

Senior: Audrey Wang

Junior: Justin Huang

Sophomore: Manal Ahmed

Sophomore: Chan Chung

Freshman: Kyle Pak

COVID NEWSLETTER – May



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For anyone wanting more information on current protocols and more, I have again included the link FJUHSD COVID Newsletter. <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1VVJIJ4Vu-XTk-kw2jhvrzAR2gX2rK7zakd8Daf1IcY/edit?ts=6074d2a2>



Thank you to our Troy athletes on our Swim and Dive teams! I am grateful for these photos showing both our senior athletes and also one of the heats in our fantastic pool! This picture makes our pool look like it has 25 lanes, which is probably an overstatement... Our swim team and our dive athletes and team are very accomplished and swimming for time is not easy. Technique is critically important along with endurance. Lose either one, and lose the race. Great job Warriors on what has been another great season, even during a pandemic!

PSA: How to try to stop Ransomware at school and home

All of us saw the ransomware attack on a gasoline pipeline company critical to U.S. infrastructure. While many of us were surprised, those in the cyber defense world were not surprised at all, and truthfully have been warning against these kind of attacks becoming more common. Our own Cyber Defense educator and coach Mr. Alan Stubblefield sent out an email earlier this week which is so valuable it bears repeating. So here it is...

Troy,

The [hack of Colonial Pipeline](#) has been in the news since last Friday. You may be wondering if you could be the target of a ransomware attack. The answer is **YES!**

Cybercriminals are in for the money. They have little or no scruples or morals. If hit at home, expect to pay several hundred dollars in cryptocurrency to get your files back. Imagine not having Aeries the week of finals for grades = help keep our school network safe, too!

Obvious things that you can do NOW:

- **Strengthen your passwords** (12+ characters long, combination of letters/numbers/symbols)
- **Turn on 2 factor authentication** for your email accounts, financial accounts and any other account that needs a login. Here is how to turn on 2 factor authentication for your school and Google accounts: <https://www.google.com/landing/2step/>
- **Beware of emails** from people who you don't know. Yes, as teachers, we get emails from parents and student personal email accounts. Use your best judgement.
- **Backup your important files.** School files to your Google Drive. Home files (photos, videos, finances to a USB drive or external hard drive, then PUT THE DRIVE IN A DRAWER!
- **Consider using a password manager.** I use Lastpass, but there are many others. The free versions are usually good enough.

Be safe out there in the wild, wild Internet!!!!

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In eSports news, here is an interesting link that lists the Top 10 eSports high school programs in California! <https://espin.gg/post/3403> It is a great article! Go Warriors!



Last Friday night our Girls' Basketball team won a huge game at home against Sonora High School, and by winning the game they split the series! Our defense was tough and locked down the 3 point attack from Sonora that beat Troy in game one of the series a month ago. Our team is playing well and is playing away at Fullerton High School tonight! Go Warriors!

Outstanding Troy student, Nitin Sreekumar sent an email to our Troy Tech Coordinator, and Troy Teacher of the Year, Ms. Laurie Downum-Bonnett. He did not know that I would be using his outstanding news in the *Warrior Weekly*... ☺ To Ms. Downum-Bonnett, *"I just wanted to let you know that I participated in the Orange Country Science and Engineering Fair,*

where I won a first-place medal, and also in the California Science and Engineering Fair where I won a fourth-place medal. The project that I used for the Science Fair was an extension of my Troy Tech Internship, so I thought it was really cool how the internship was both a valuable learning experience for deciding on a career and in allowing me to represent Troy at the state level! Thank you again for all your support throughout the entire process; it wouldn't have been possible without your assistance.

Take care,

Nitin Sreekumar

To Nitin,

We are tremendously proud of your achievements during your four years at Troy High School! Using your internship as an extension for your project in the Science Fair is the practical application of your education and is exactly what colleges and careers want to see from their students and then professionals! Wonderful job in the Science competition! We happy you are a Troy Warrior for life!



**FJUHSD - iSIERRA
ONLINE ACADEMY**

The iSierra Online Academy offers online independent study to students in the Fullerton Joint Union High School District (FJUHSD). Established in 2010, the iSierra Online Academy is UC/CSU and NCAA approved and is fully accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges. In partnership with APEX Learning the iSierra Online Academy offers a variety of Core, Honors, and Advanced Placement courses to prepare high school students for college and work. The program operates through La Sierra High School.

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For more information and/or to apply to the iSierra Online Academy, please contact Principal Sandi Layana at 714/447-5501 or iSierra Online Academy Chair, Lisa Valdes, at 714/447-5567, or see the website www.fjuhsd.org/isierra

For FJUHSD students seeking a full time distance learning education once the full in-person learning returns this fall, FJUHSD does offer the iSierra Online Academy as it has for the

past decade. Students attending may take courses that are UC/CSU & NCAA approved and upon graduation receive their diploma from La Sierra High School.



Yesterday our Boys' Soccer team played a tough match in their first round CIF playoff appearance against Pasadena High School. The game was quite evenly played with scoring opportunities by both teams. Our goalie made some ridiculous saves and was huge in keeping our team pressing Pasadena. At halftime the score was 1-1. At the end of regulation, the score was also 1-1. The game then went to overtime with the possibility of a "golden goal" winning the game. Unfortunately, Pasadena was awarded a penalty kick by the officials and won the game. Both of Pasadena's goals were on penalty kick opportunities. Like all athletes that have participated in competition this year, our Boys' Soccer team had a weird and wonderful season. I am already looking forward to what the 2021-22 season will bring for our team!



On Monday, May 10th we held the Rotary Top 100 event at for the top academic students in 10th, 11th, and 12th grades. Because of the pandemic we held the event outside in the Quad and broke it into three separate ceremonies for each grade level. Pictured above are the students in attendance with their Top 100 certificates. Our students are amazing and the 12th grade students answered questions about which school they will be attending next year and whom they would like to thank. In addition to family, many Troy staff members were thanked for helping them achieve. We do have some wonderful students! Also, thank you to our local Fullerton Sunrise Rotary Club, our Counselors, and Board of Education for their participation in this event, and a big “thank you” to Ms. Erin Black for putting together the programs, certificates, and organizing the event with Rotary member Mr. Ron Gillet.



It is the weekend! Luna smells the bacon on the grill, but she is not getting any...Have a wonderful weekend, get the much needed rest and relaxation, enjoy time with friends and family if it is safe to do so. I will see everyone back at Troy in person or via Zoom on Monday!

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