



TROY HIGH SCHOOL WARRIOR WEEKLY



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This weekend, we have Monday off thanks to one of two outstanding leaders our country was fortunate to have in the presidency at the right time. George Washington and Abraham Lincoln usually rank #1 and #2 and these ranking can flip depending upon the historical perspective. Both men had flaws, but both rose to the needs of their time and we still remember them for their leadership.

Troy Staff Members, if you have not yet read the February edition of the Special Edition, it is another heartwarming issue from our students. Our students, from Bailey to Xareni have written some fantastic articles and this issue even includes usable Valentines! Great job!

Today is a slightly unusual day at Troy in that we have our annual International Day! Part of today is the lunchtime food fair in which there are numerous clubs selling all kinds of food. Last year this was a huge international party, and I suspect it will be the same this year. Many tickets have already been pre-purchased, so while many of our students leave campus for lunch, I think that number will be fewer today!

I would like to thank the students and staff members for doing another fantastic job on our Fire Drill, held on Wednesday. This time we held the drill in 4th period which is different than when we usually hold the drill. Everyone evacuated to their proper location and we were able to enjoy a nice warm day as we collected the attendance sheets and cleared every class. I sincerely hope we never have to do an actual fire evacuation but at the very least we are properly prepared and know how to evacuate safely. Great job!

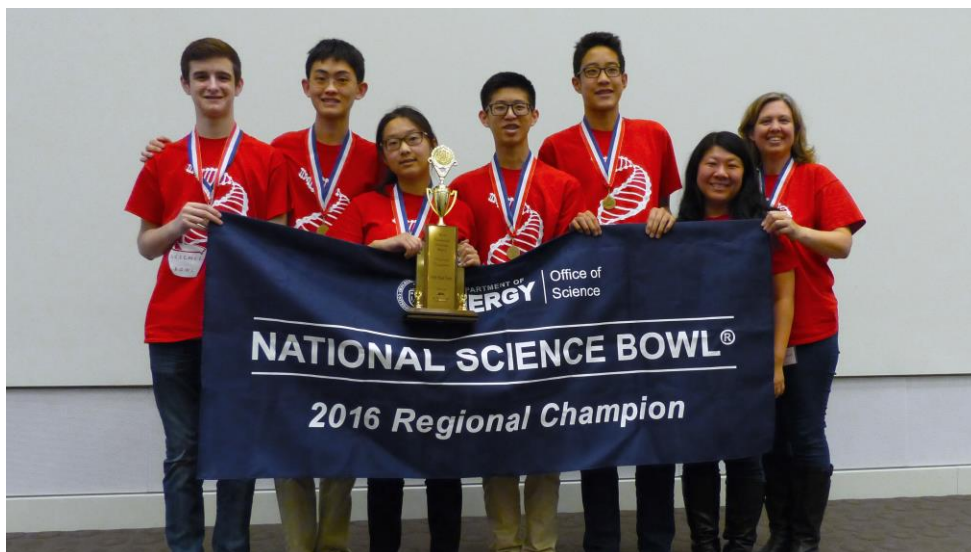


On Wednesday we held a second National Signing Day for students that have committed to colleges and universities to play sports. Some of these students are represented in the above photo and all have competed on Troy's athletic teams this year.

Felicia Chang(Yale-Golf), Ryan Scotti(Brown University-Football), Alonna Clark(Cal State Bakersfield-Soccer), Riley Hoover(Cal State Fullerton-Soccer), Katelyn Carter(University of Oregon-Soccer), Robyn Maurer(Southern Methodist University-Soccer), Kate Schade(Midland University-Soccer) Audrey Barrera(University of Nebraska-Soccer). Again, these are only some of our students this year that are going to play in college. I am hopeful that we will be able to bring the entire group together for a large photo before the end of the year!



This has been National Counselor's Week and we have been recognizing our Counselors all week for everything they do for Troy's students. Our front office staff is also having a small luncheon for our Counselors so that will be a small way to show our appreciation and thanks for all they do! This is the best counseling teams I have had the pleasure with which to work, and I am very grateful for their expertise in working with the students and families of Troy!



Last week I wrote about Troy's Science Bowl team competing at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena. Not only did we compete, but we won! We were better than 23 other high school teams and have earned a trip to the National Science Bowl Finals in Washington D.C. at the end of April. This is another great group of students! Thank you also to coaches, Ms. Nga Ngo, and Ms. Shannon Regli for helping prepare this team! Go Warriors!



In past weeks I have referred to our Cyber Patriot program at Troy High School. Commander Alan Stubblefield and Don Allen have been involved at Troy High School. I have also mentioned we are working with a local middle school. That school is Ladera Vista Middle School and their advisor is Mr. Doug Elmore. This is a picture of these future Troy Cyber Patriot students working in our computer lab at Troy as they compete in national Cyber Patriot challenges! This is the future and this is where many high paying careers will be found!

Congratulations to Troy student, Varun Mandi on becoming a Coca-Cola Scholars Program Regional Finalist! Varun gets to move on to the regional interviews sometime this month and from there has an opportunity to earn a \$20,000 scholarship to the college of his choice. If he does not continue on, at the very least he has already earned a \$1,000 scholarship to the college of his choice! Great job and good luck Varun!

Congratulations to Troy student, Elizabeth Bongco for being recognized as a *Shining Star* by the Disneyland Resort Dreamers and Doers Foundation. Many students from throughout Orange County had the opportunity to be selected for this honor, and only a small percentage of students that applied were selected to become Shining Stars! Elizabeth, her family, and I will celebrate her achievement at a luncheon at the Disneyland Hotel in a few weeks. If you don't know Elizabeth, she is a standout student and all around great person. Congratulations Elizabeth for receiving this honor from Disney!

It is going to be a great springtime like weekend for So Cal! If you do not already have plans to do get outside, I strongly recommend doing so! The forecast is for 80 degrees plus so we are the envy of the nation! Of course on Sunday most of us will have a certain famous football game on the T.V. Our own 2008 graduate, Aaron Brewer is playing in his second Super Bowl on the Denver Broncos! For me is there any possibility of rooting for the Carolina Panthers? No. Go Denver! Have a great weekend and enjoy one of our two President's Day holidays! Also, if you were unaware, Monday is also the Chinese New Year! This is a big weekend for the Troy family! Have a wonderful holiday weekend, and I will see everyone back here on Tuesday, February 9, 2016!

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