TROY HIGH SCHOOL WARRIOR WEEKLY



December 3, 2021

Warriors.

I hope everyone had an enjoyable and restful Thanksgiving Week! We all needed the break, and we are now only two weeks from the end of the Fall Semester. Students, in these last two weeks, make sure you finish strong and are prepared for your Final Exams! I know. It has been awhile since you have seen a real in person final exam schedule. You will be ok. Pay attention to your teachers, review with friends for your exams, make those presentations in class, leave nothing undone, knowing that you having given your very best. When December 16th at the end of the day arrives you will begin Winter Vacation and the Fall Semester is over! Let's finish the semester Warrior strong!

Warrior Family, as much as we would love the COVID-19 pandemic to be in our rearview mirror, that is not yet the case. We need to remain vigilant and continue to follow the established protocols to safeguard our health and safety from COVID-19 as best we are able. In the meantime, I will continue to run the following reminder until the pandemic winds down.

COVID-19 Reminder for all Troy High School Students!

In accordance with the Center for Disease Control (CDC), CA Dept. of Public Health (CDPH), and Orange County Health Care Agency (OCHCA), we ask that you complete the

Qualtrics survey each morning prior to arriving on campus. However, <u>please do not attend</u> school if you have experienced any COVID-related symptoms:

- Flu-like symptoms such as fever of 100.4 or greater
- Chills
- Cough
- Sore throat
- Runny or stuffy nose that is not associated with a pre-existing condition or other chronic health condition.

Following the recommendations issued by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) has issued guidance in support of full in-person instruction and to as much instructional time as possible. A link to that guidance is included at the bottom of this communication.

Please note that masks will be required by all staff and students while indoors
regardless of vaccinated status. As an extra precaution, FJUHSD is committed to continuing
the enhanced cleaning procedures established to ensure that our schools are clean, sanitized, and
safe. Additionally, using our thermal cameras, temperatures will continue to be taken each
morning.

CDPH COVID-19/K-12-Guidance

Safety Procedures for attending school during the COVID-19 pandemic.

- All students and staff will complete a Qualtrics COVID Safety Survey each morning (the survey will be sent to your school email).
- To enter campus, students will show their green checkmark from the completed survey permitting them to be on campus.
- Students will walk through the thermo-imaging temperature cameras by either the Main Office or the North Gym and show their green Qualtrics survey checkmarks.
- Face coverings (masks) are required inside and are optional while outside.
- Last but not least, <u>if you have taken a COVID-19 test</u> and are still waiting for results, <u>please do not attend school until you receive the results of that test</u>, and then <u>only</u> <u>come to school if you are negative for COVID-19!</u>

Students! Here is some important news from our Guidance Department! Thank you and GO WARRIORS!



The first day of Thanksgiving Break our Troy Warrior Band was in the prestigious Arcadia Festival of Bands. From our Band Director, Mr. Joseph Castillo, here is how we did! "Good Afternoon All! It was a beautiful day in Arcadia. Just the kind of weather ripe for a parade. In Troy High School's first appearance at Arcadia's Festival of Bands, the Warrior Band and Guard did us proud. We took 1st place in music and 1st place in marching. In my 21 years with the band, we had never been as competitive in parade performance. In fact, we hadn't been to a competitive parade in six years. Now that our season is over with this, and such a good way to go, we will be preparing for our holiday concert, December 10th. Come and join us."

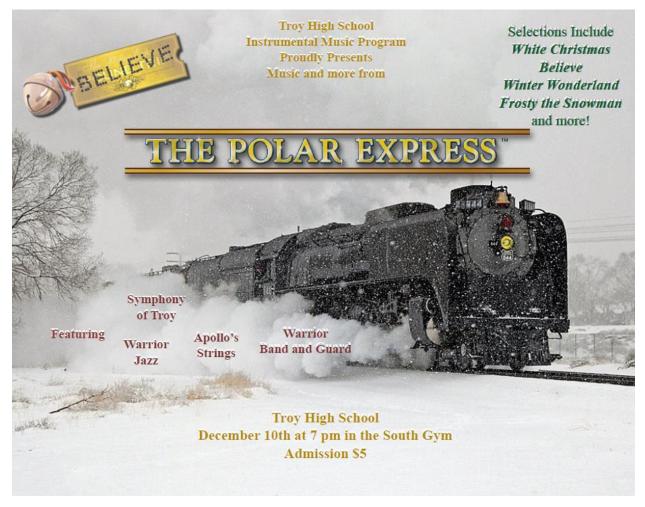
In more good news, our band also received more recognition from the organizers of Arcadia's Festival of Bands with this message: "Congratulations on your Seaver Endowment Grant. The Seaver Endowment provides grant money to the Arcadia Festival of Bands to award to bands playing the music of Sousa. The Seaver Endowment hopes to continue the legacy of Sousa marches in the parade band community by providing these awards.

Troy High School will receive a grant of \$500 for having the highest music score in Class C of groups playing the music of Sousa."

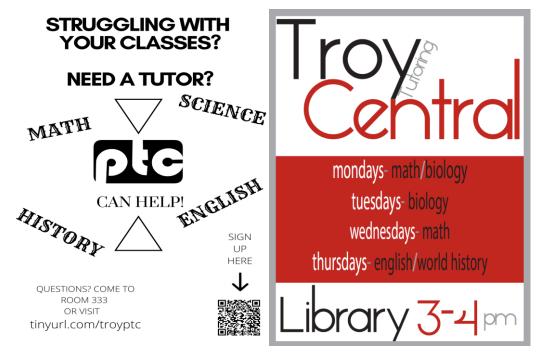
Thanks,

Kevin Sherrill

Arcadia Festival of Bands



Troy Family, we are close to wrapping up this first semester during a pandemic that has been going on for almost two years. All of us have been achieving during some of the most difficult times in our lives. We are moving forward and doing amazing things, like having in person school, attending classes with friends and favorite teachers, dances, rallies, Blood Drives, athletics, plays and holiday events. Keep all we have done in mind. These times are tough, but we are tougher. We will not be beaten by COVID-19. I promise you that we are going to get through these tough times, and we are going to get through them together.



In addition to the tutoring options we have on our campus at Troy High School, our school district is also providing additional 24-7 tutoring services from Tutor.com!



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This is the live link that will take you to Tutor.com. Also included to the right on this page is a special event next held in our North Gym, next Tuesday during lunch. Students, I have seen presentations from FJUHSD Mental Health Coordinator, Mr. Carlos Alcantara, and he is outstanding. This is an event worth seeing, and time well spent.



This morning Troy High School welcomed prospective Ladera Vista Junior High School students and staff for a short presentation about Troy High School before the FJUHSD Open Enrollment period begins in January, 2022. It is always exciting to see our future Warriors in the gym and our current Warriors in Choir, Band, Cheer, Dance, Orchestra, NJROTC, AVID, Troy Tech, IB, Cambridge, Link Crew and Athletics all speak about their program and experiences at Troy High School. Troy is a truly special place, and we want to share with more students next year! For more information on Troy Tech, Honors, IB, AP, Cambridge, etc., please check our website https://www.fjuhsd.org/Page/19 and the Troy Tech Magnet tab. From there go to the Prospective Students tab and the applicants.troyhigh.com link for more information on the January 15, 22, or 29th 8th Grade Testing for Troy Tech, International Baccalaureate, Cambridge, and Honors placement.

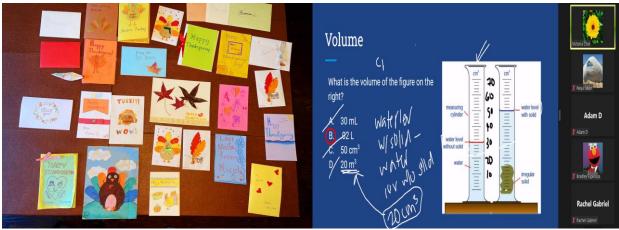
When you have outstanding staff at a school such as Troy, it is not a surprise when they promote, and wind up in another job that provides different opportunities and new challenges. Today is Senior Records Clerk, Ms. Erin Black's last day at Troy High School as she has been promoted to our FJUHSD District Office working in Educational Services. Erin will begin her new position on Monday. All of us who have worked with Erin each and every day are going to miss her and her tremendous work ethic, knowledge, and personality she brings to our school! To celebrate Erin's promotion, we did hold a little party for Erin in the Main Office after Break that involved peppermint chocolate chip cake, a few short speeches, a couple gifts, and a few tears. We know that Erin will be outstanding in her new job at our District Office, and she is always welcome back. Once a Warrior, always a Warrior!

Next week is going to be Sprit Week at Troy High School! Our tremendous ASB and their Advisor Ms. Alexandria Williamson Gillespie have created our Spirit Week agenda!



What is not included on this chart, is the extraordinary and famous Troy High School Elf Dance! Due to current pandemic restrictions we did not feel we could do this event justice indoors, so we are going to try something new and will be holding the Elf Dance outdoors for the first time ever! This rally is always something to see, so this is not a year to miss the Elf Dance! Friday is going to be very, very festive!!! Could I use any more exclamation points? ©!!





Troy has some amazing clubs on campus and Troy 11th grader, Ryan Kern in the iExplore Club has this update on what they were doing over Thanksgiving Break!

"It is so nice to get a week off. While enjoying the time off, Troy iExplore club members definitely kept themselves busy. Our members handmade Thanksgiving cards for every Silverado memory care resident and I had the privilege of personally delivering the cards to the residents today. The residents were so surprised and delighted when they saw that the cards were made specifically for them. The smiles on their faces and the joy the cards brought them were invaluable!

During the break, our members also continued with helping Brea Junior high students with their chemistry challenge preparation. We had a zoom session with students to go over chapter concepts, practiced questions, and conducted Q&A. We will be having one session every week until the end of January. Our goal is to help Brea Junior high students to perform the best they can in the competition early next year.

Last weekend we also had our Thanksgiving holiday musical performance for Silverado memory care residents. Music plays such an important role in memory care therapy and we are proud to be part of it."



Winter season is here! Basketball, Girls' Waterpolo, Soccer are already in competition! Yesterday our Girls' Soccer team played a tough Cypress High School team and won 2-0! In the photos above Troy scored on a header. The scoring shot happened so quickly, I had to look at my pictures to see what happened! Congratulations to our players and their coaches on a well-played match. Great job, Warriors it is going to be a fantastic season!



Sugar plums are already dancing in Luna's head. Two weeks left to go in the semester! Take advantage of the weekend to get ahead on studying for Finals! Also take some time to enjoy the holidays and spending time with friends and family. Rest, relax, and come ready for school on Monday. Students, don't forget we have a Late-Start on Monday but if you are still an early bird, our library is open at 6:30am and breakfast is served early as well. Have a great weekend and I will see everyone back here on Monday morning! W. V. Mynster