



TROY HIGH SCHOOL WARRIOR WEEKLY



April 12, 2024

Drawn by Mrs. Shannon Cogswell, 2024.

Warriors, at the risk of being redundant, it has been another very busy week, and there is no sign of slowing down anytime soon. Good news! the regular CAASPP testing is over, and we have returned to our normal bell schedule. Springtime sports are getting near the end of their regular season, and Boys' Tennis, Boys' Volleyball, Swim & Dive, Baseball, Track & Field, Boys' Golf, and Girls' Softball have all been active multiple times this week. We are having a good Spring season in Troy athletics, and I am looking forward to the playoffs beginning soon!

Troy High School 11th graders, you have done a great job with CAASPP testing! From now until the end of the State testing window, all we have left is a few make ups. 11th graders, thank you for taking these English, Mathematics, and Science exams seriously, and putting forth your best effort! Additionally, to all our Troy Teachers, Counselors, Administrators, and Classified, involved in administering our CAASPP testing, thank you for creating the appropriate testing environments to allow for our students to do their best work. Every little thing matters,

and all our efforts add up to a successful outcome when we receive the scores from the California Department of Education sometime in the early Fall. Great job, Warriors!



Yesterday at Break, we held our last Signing Day rally to recognize eight Troy seniors who will be participating in college athletics next year! These athletes are the following: Brendan Lee, Zoe Mendiola, Nayeli Inzunza, Annika Jiwani, D'Jay Wu, Charles Lin, Anne Hiraki, and Victoria Ditching. Congratulations to all of our Troy Warriors, and also thank you to our ASB, Marching Band, Guard, and Athletic Director, Mr. Chris Blume for creating another fantastic Break Rally! It was a great day to be a Warrior!

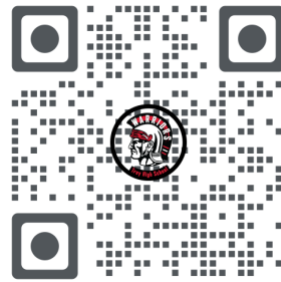
Mental Health Resources:

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

FJUHSD Mental Health Resources: <https://www.fjuhsd.org/domain/1476>

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

[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!

www.usnews.com/education/best-high-schools/california/districts/fullerton-joint-union-high/troy-high-school-2247.



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! <https://conta.cc/49ijXbT>

To say last Saturday was a good day for Troy High School would be a massive understatement. Keep in mind we always have students doing amazing things! First, in the



small town of Batesville, Mississippi, in the 2024 National JROTC All-Service Aerial Drone Championship Troy High's NJROTC cadets took home some key awards. *Flight Operations Award, Teamwork Champion!* But these awards led up to the last two awards, **Navy National Champion, and JROTC National Grand Champion!** This was a tremendous achievement, and all the credit to our cadets, coaches, parents, and boosters!



However, our Troy cadets were not yet done for the day! There were teams of cadets in Pensacola, Florida, and 30 minutes later, our Troy High School NJROTC won our first ever NJROTC Academic, Athletic & Drill Championships High School Championship!



This is the first time a West Coast school has ever won this event! I could not be more proud of our cadets, instructors, Commander Lauper, LT Fronek, Master Chief David, 1st SGT Barnes, and our very supportive Parents, and NJROTC boosters!





It is highly likely our NJROTC team is not yet done winning National Championships and they now have three this year when CyberPatriot is included. Commander Lauper writes, “*Troy NJROTC still has remaining competitions to include the Drone Soccer Academic World Cup (April), VEX JROTC Nationals (April), National Academic Quizbowl Tournament (NAQT) High*

School National Championship Tournament (May), International SeaPerch Challenge (three teams, June), PACE National Scholastic Championship (June), and RoboSub (August).”



Last but not least, on Saturday at CalTech, our Troy Science Olympiad team had a very good day in the CA State Science Olympiad Championship, finishing with a winning score of 96 points,(like golf the lowest score wins) Northwood was 2nd with 139 points, and University was 3rd with 163 points. This victory earned Troy an invitation to the National Championship tournament on Memorial Day weekend held this year at Michigan State University in East Lansing! Troy will be attempting to earn their either their 13th or 14th National Championship. However, winning the State Championship is not an accident and to get to the Nationals, winning State has to come first, and is not a forgone conclusion that will happen. I have witnessed the work these students and their coaches put into this competition all year long. For example, in the early morning hours I turn off the school alarms and open the North Gym for our students and their coaches so they may conduct testing on their rubber band powered balsa and plastic airplane in the North Gym. That work paid off, and our team took first place in this

specific part of the competition. Awesome job under competition pressure by our students, and their coaches. Thank you to all the support for our students from their Parents, Boosters, and our Staff Members!

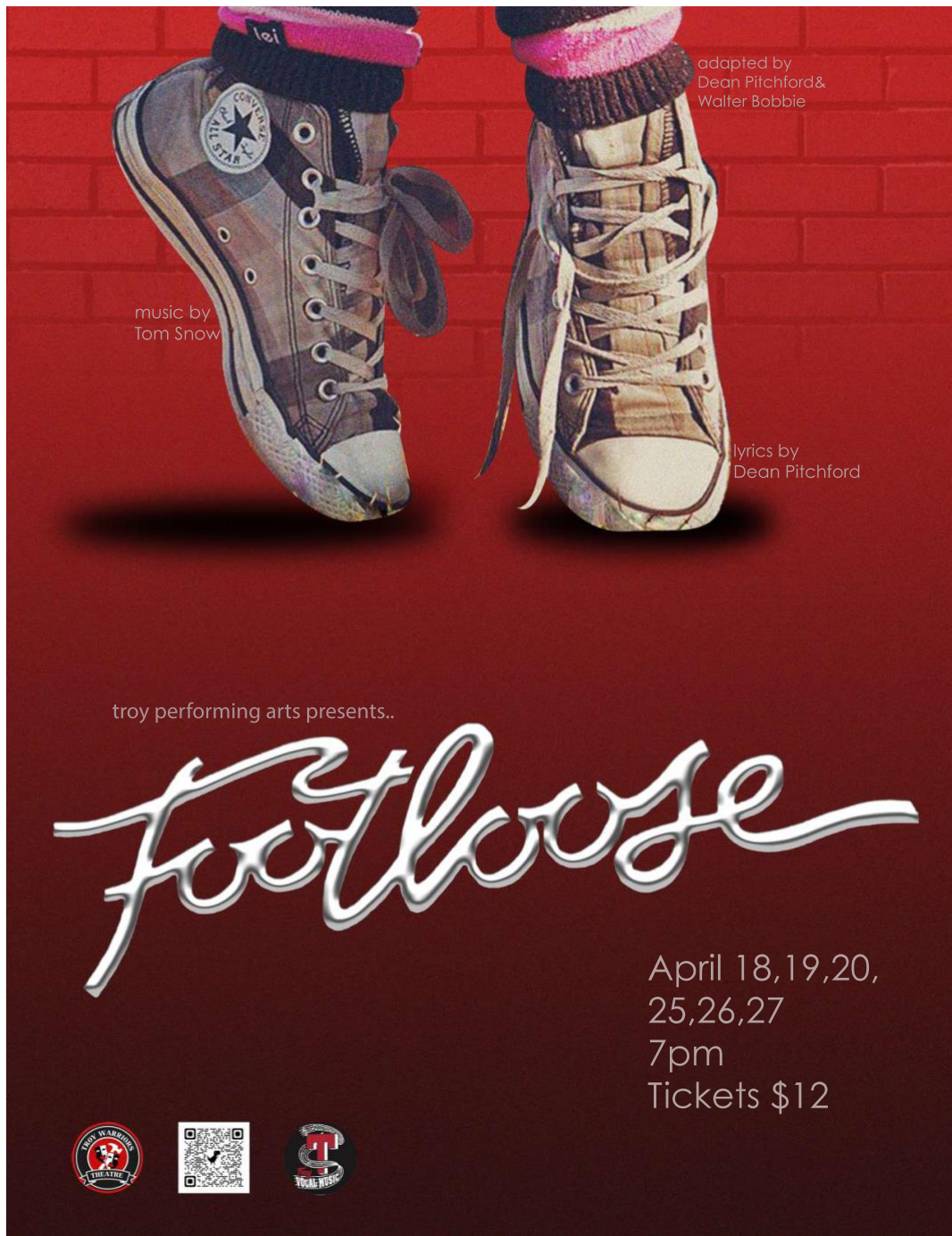
Last Saturday was a first for Troy High School with two National Championships and a State Championship awarded in a single day! Again, congratulations to all the students involved on in these programs and on these teams. This is a lot of hard work, but also a lot of fun! Our school is tremendously proud of your accomplishments, and it is great to be a Troy Warrior!



To all our graduating seniors in Troy's Class of 2024! First and foremost, congratulations on your accomplishments at Troy! As Troy has done for a number of years, I am again asking for interested seniors consider writing a graduation speech. Each year, several graduating seniors are given the opportunity to recite their speech at Graduation or Reflections. If you are interested keep in mind that your work must adhere to the following guidelines:

1. Must be your own original work, not written or assisted by Artificial Intelligence (A.I.).
2. 2-3 minutes in length.
3. A positive message for your fellow Class of 2024 Troy High School graduates.
4. A positive message about your time at Troy High School.
5. A written or typed copy of your speech.

All graduation speeches must be emailed to jpadgett@fjuhsd.org and wmynster@fjuhsd.org by 4:00pm on Friday April 26, 2024. I look forward to reading your thoughtful submissions.



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 18, 19, 20 & April 25, 26, 27. Tickets are on sale now! I saw an early rehearsal yesterday afternoon. You will not want to miss this show!



Best Buddies Club Advisor, Mr. Will Fritz reports on a recent event for the club. *“What a day to remember for Troy High School! Our Best Buddies Friendship Walk was not just a walk; it was a celebration of inclusion, camaraderie, and genuine connections. We laughed, we cheered, and most importantly, we walked side by side, reinforcing the unbreakable bonds of friendship that define our amazing club. A heartfelt thank you to everyone who joined us (We were nearly 30 people this year - Teachers, students, family members!), making this event a massive success! The enthusiasm and smiles made every step worthwhile. Here's to many more moments like these, where we come together to make a difference, one step at a time. We even got a special shout out during the award ceremony for being one of the (if not THE) highest fundraising clubs at the event!”*

Our Best Buddies is an amazing group of Troy Students and Staff Members! The value added by this group is truly incalculable. Simply put, sometimes the sum of all parts is greater than the whole. I don't believe we would be the Troy Family, without Best Buddies in our school. It is awesome to be a Troy Warriors and be a part of this Family!

TROY VOCAL MUSIC FESTIVAL SHOWCASE



Friday, April 12 @ 7 p.m.

The Choirs of Troy High School
presenting their stunning programs from
this year's Choral Festival season.

*** FREE ADMISSION ***

WILSHIRE AVENUE CHURCH
212 E. WILSHIRE AVE., FULLERTON





On Tuesday night at our FJUSD Board of Trustees meeting, FJUSD winners from the District Art Show and Athletes from the Winter Season from each school were recognized for their achievements. Pictured above are all our recognized Troy student athletes in the top photo and our winning Artists in the second photo. Congratulations to students for achievements, which are a testament to their countless hours of dedication and hard work. Great job, Warriors!



Line-up:

5:30pm: Buena Park Color Guard
5:42pm: Buena Park Percussion
5:54pm: Sonora Color Guard
6:06pm: Sonora Percussion
6:18pm: Troy Color Guard
6:30pm: Troy Percussion
6:42pm: La Habra Color Guard
6:54pm: La Habra Percussion
7:06pm: Fullerton Color Guard
7:18pm: Fullerton Percussion
7:30pm: Sunny Hills Color Guard
7:42pm: Sunny Hills Percussion

FJUHSD PERCUSSION & COLOR GUARD SHOWCASE

Wednesday, April 17th | 5-8 pm
1801 Lancer Way | Sunny Hills HS Gym
Concessions sold @ door
Free Event and COFA Credit!



Last night we held our *Troy Top 100 Banquet Event* at Troy High School at 6:00pm in the Quad. This event has been sponsored by our local Sunrise Rotary International for the past 30 years, and is always great event to celebrate the top 33 or so students with the highest GPA's in the 12th, 11th, and 10th grades. I took this photo of one of the classes on stage, I believe they are our 10th graders, and they were able to serpentine allowing them to all fit upon the stage. Thank you to our counselors for reading all the names of our students and being the MC's.

Late in the program when it was time for the seniors to be recognized, they each had a moment to recall their favorite moments at Troy, who they would like to thank, and which college or university they would be attending in the Fall. This is always a favorite time for everyone as we get to hear some stories, and then the thanks from our students, often and rightfully so, their parents and family are the first they thank, often followed by teachers, and friends. I also enjoy hearing about their plans for college and beyond. We lucked out again with the weather, and it was a fantastic evening. Thank you to all the parents, friends, and family, as well as our FJUHSD Board Members, District Representatives, and Sunrise Rotarians for being part of the evening. Our students are successful and it truly takes an entire FJUHSD community coming together to have this level of opportunity and success for our students!



To be fair, last weekend and this week Luna did get off the sofa. In fact, all week she was outside enjoying the fantastic weather we all were enjoying with springtime temperatures in the 80's...it was wonderful! Then the weather shifted to what we have today, and this weekend. With the return of the rain and snow, Luna has once more returned to the warm blanket on the sofa, and is quite happy to remain there until it warms up again. ☺

We do have Prom this weekend, and with the cooler weather it is going to be a nice weekend to be indoors. If you are attending the Prom, going out to a movie, taking a cool weather hike, or perhaps skiing, whatever your plans this weekend, I hope everyone is able to spend time with family and friends. Rest, relax and have a wonderful weekend! I will see everyone back here on Monday as we continue picking up speed, shifting into high gear for the rest of the run to the end of the school year!

W. Mynster