



TROY HIGH SCHOOL WARRIOR WEEKLY



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Virtually all of the AP/IB exams are wrapping up today, and Senior Finals also end today! One week until graduation for the Class of 2019! Next week is Final Exams for 9-11th grades and for 12th grade, Senior Activities / events all week through Thursday when the graduation ceremony begins at 7:00pm in Fullerton Stadium! One week of school left this year! (For students there are technically three school days left, but who is counting?) ☺



Tonight, tonight, tonight.....Tonight! This is your last chance to see our fantastic Choir! They have been great all year, and this is the culmination of all their vocal training! Have an early dinner and come see the last public performance in our Performing Arts building before it

goes into a planned total remodel and renovation beginning on June 1st and lasting until the project is completed next March, 2020!



In Boys' Golf news, we had one golfer left in CIF competition. Senior, Jetty Sivongsay moved on to the CIF Individual So/Cal Regional Championship. The match was yesterday at the Brookside Golf Course in Pasadena, and while Jetty finished strong with multiple birdies on the last holes, he finished +1 over Par. Jetty Sivongsay had a fantastic season and represented Troy and our golf program with class and honor. We look forward to seeing and hearing about Jetty's golf game in the future as he plays for college!

We love feel good stories about our former students and what they are doing after they leave Troy. This week, Troy Economics teacher and Troy grad, Mr. Dennis Equitz shared some stories of three of his former students who communicated to him what they have been doing since leaving Troy.

Former student Thomas Becerra was active on the Troy football team. After Troy, he went to Santa Ana College, playing football. He then transferred to Cal State to finish his Business Degree, but while there he was coaching football at Orange High School and they won

the CIF title. Another student, Ryan Scotti is attending the University of Colorado. He was also on the Troy football team. He was just accepted into the University of Colorado mascot program, which means he will be running onto the field with the school's 1200 lbs. buffalo mascot. That will be different.

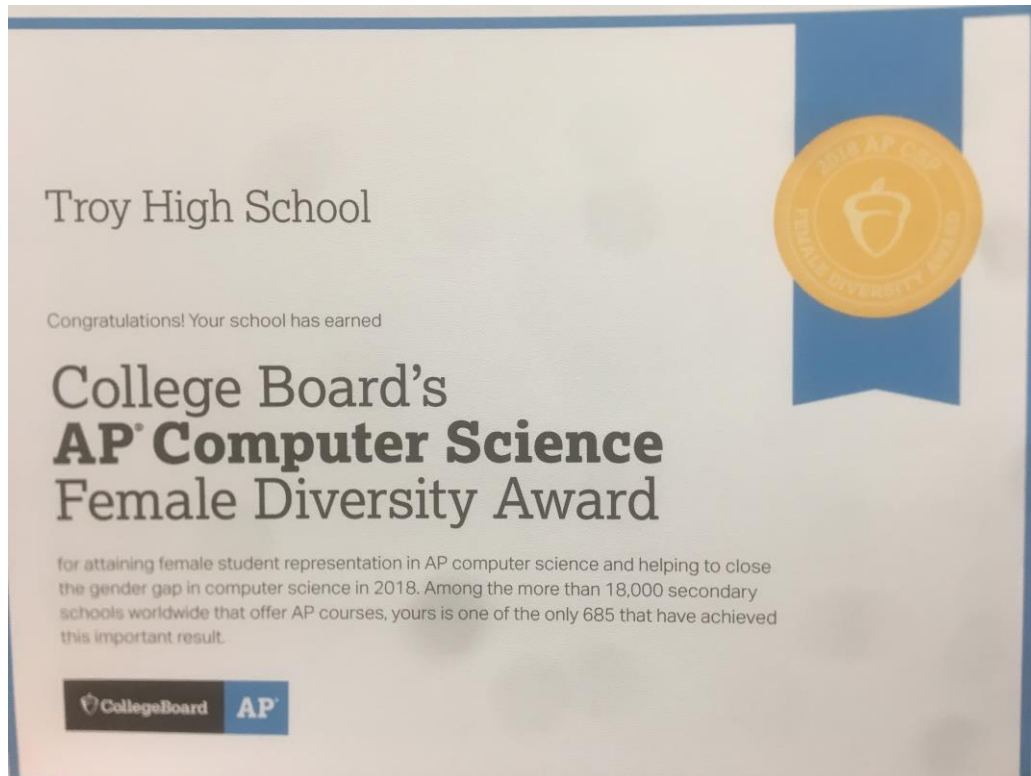


The last story from Dennis was received with the graduation announcement for Alyssa Garcia. *"The note that was sent with the announcement states that she is graduating with Cum Laude from Ohio University with double majors in Sociology-Criminology and Psychology and a minor in Spanish. She was elected to Phi Beta Kappa.*

Her mother wanted me to express her "great thanks to Troy H.S. for preparing her well for her college studies" She asked that all faculty that knew Alyssa were to be "thanked for being such an important part of her education."

Her mother stated that Alyssa will now move on to Seattle University to pursue an MA in Criminal Justice."

Congratulations to our Troy graduates for their continued successes and thank you to Mr. Dennis Equitz for forwarding these updates!

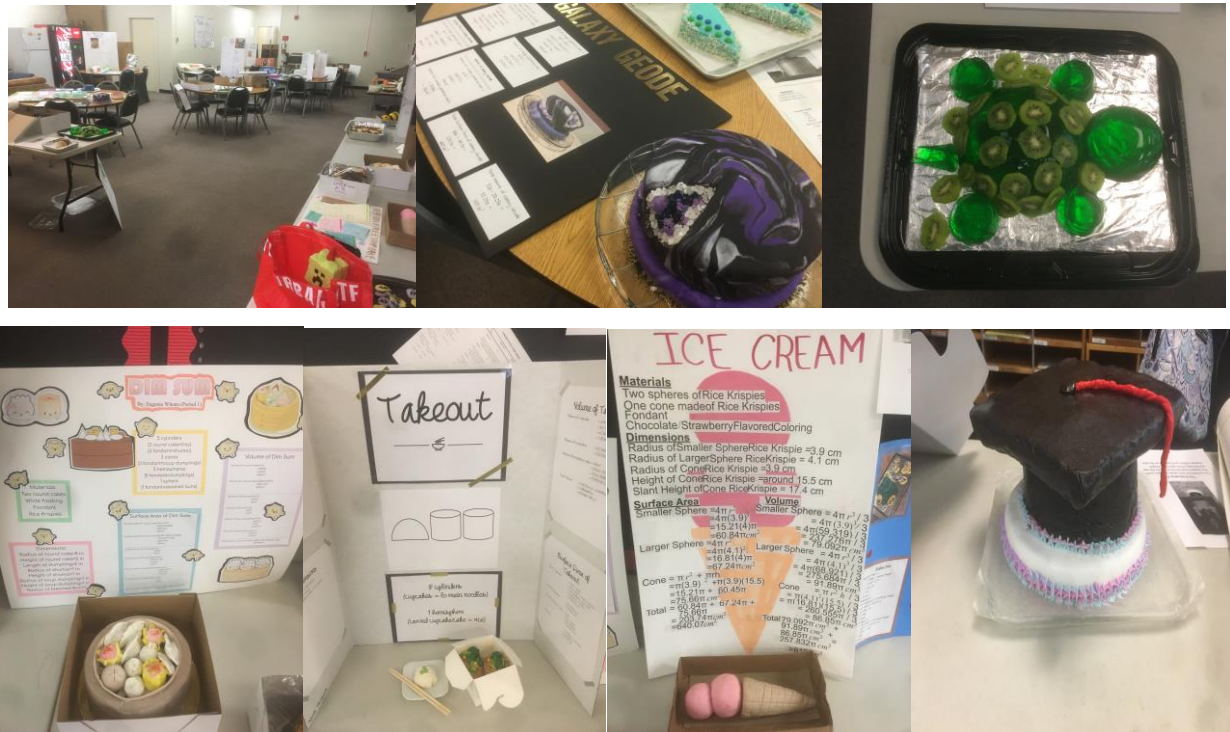


Troy received this recognition from the College Board yesterday and the letter with this certificate stated: *“Congratulations! Your school has earned the College Board AP Computer Science Female Diversity Award for attaining female student representation in AP Computer Science Principles for 2018. Among the more than 18,000 secondary schools worldwide that offer AP courses, yours is **one of only 685** that have achieved this important result.”*

To put an exclamation point on this recognition from the College Board, on Tuesday, Troy Cyber Teacher/Coach, Mr. Allen Stubblefield wrote: *“We have qualified for an online Nationals cyber defense competition on June 5-7. Our team of 4 will be junior Jen Ho, sophomore Katrina Mizou, freshman Crystal Lee, freshman Shirley Jia will be representing Troy for this first ever Girls Go CyberStart Nationals competition. This team is representing the larger team of 15 Troy females who last week won \$500 for being in 3rd place in California in an earlier phase of the same competition.”* Congratulations, Warriors! Good luck in your quest to add another Computer Science National Championship for Troy High School!

This week Troy High School performed our first ever school wide “Lip Dub” event! The preliminary video is awesome! As this was a one take filming event, it is going to be a fantastic tool to show both the students that are currently at Troy, as well as those thinking about coming

to our school in the future, what great students we have and how wonderful it is to be in our school. As the various edits are completed, look for this “Lip Dub” to be on our school website for all to enjoy!



Once a year all of a sudden the Staff Lounge is filled with decorated cakes. It looks like a pastry shop! This is all because of a project given by Troy Mathematics Teacher, Mr. Danny Lee. The Geometry “Bake Off” is for his students to implement applications of surface area and volume. It is designed to be like the show *Cake Boss*, but with mathematics. The pictures above are only a few of the many different cake creations made by our students!



This week on Tuesday evening were two events, the first being the IB Dinner and Recognitions for our fantastic full IB Diploma candidates. There were many pictures taken by

students and parents from this event, however I have yet to see any of them... That being said, as the event was just about to begin, I took these pictures of the star of the show, Ms. Michael Hinman's daughter. Each year, she distributes the IB shawl and hood to each of the candidates as they cross the stage. The students love it, and she always makes for some good photo opportunities! It was a great night for all our Troy IB students, and a nice evening for their parents who have supported them through our school for the entirety of the IB program.

We also held the 2019 Junior Awards, which this year were hosted by Troy English Teachers, Ms. Gabrielle Hufferd and Mr. Greg Platt. This year there were sixteen total awards and they were from various universities designated for juniors academically at the top of their class. All of the 11th grade students were nominated by teachers and then selected by the Junior Awards Committee for the final award recommendations. Some of the named awards were as follows: The Johns Hopkins Book Award, The University of Rochester Awards, The Princeton Book Award, The Yale Junior Prize Award, The Harvard Book Award, and the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute Medal Award. Students that received the awards were: Jois Talla, Brendan Gutierrez-Ray, Jimmy Li, Raymond Mo, Joseph Dong, Eliana Lee, Charles Cheng, Jennifer Ho, Tyler Huynh, Chirag Singh, Amanda Rodriguez, Soham Bose, Megan Loh, Patrick Rim, Amy Weng, and Shivana Anand. Congratulations to all of the very deserving Troy juniors!

It is Friday, and maybe we are starting to get some springtime in So Cal? It is also Memorial Day Weekend, and in theory this is the unofficial beginning of summer. In the spirit of summer, Luna and I decided to go swimming last weekend. ☺ Have a wonderful three-day weekend. I think there will be some BBQ's on the schedule. Rest and relax, as next week will be a busy one for all of us! I will see everyone back here on Tuesday morning!



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