

## TROY HIGH SCHOOL

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Fullerton, CA 92831

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### UPCOMING CALENDAR

Local Parent Info Night	Mar 12
TSO Meeting	Mar 18
International Show	Mar 20
Staff Dev Day/Students Off	Mar 21
Open House	Mar 27
Grad Night Meeting	Apr 3
3rd Quarter Ends	Apr 4
Spring Recess	Apr 7-11
PTSA Meeting	Apr 14
TSO Meeting	Apr 15
Sadies Dance	Apr 26

see website for times and details—  
all events are subject to change

### Principal's Message-*Maggie Buchan*



Dear Parents,

I would like to take this opportunity to extend an

invitation to attend our annual Troy High School Open House on Thursday, March 27, 2008. We hope that you will take this **opportunity to visit your student's** classrooms and meet their teachers.

The intent of Open House is different from the Back-to-School-Night program in the Fall, which was based on presentations by individual classroom teachers. This Spring event provides parents the opportunity to speak with teachers on a more personal and informal level. Teachers will be in their individual classrooms and available to parents throughout the evening.

Prior to the beginning of our Open House evening, Troy will host the annual Spring Awards Program. Students being honored at this event will receive a letter in the mail inviting them to this special awards presentation.

Following is the schedule for Open House. I look forward to seeing you there.

#### Troy High School's Open House

Thursday, March 27, 2008

6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. (North Gym)  
Student Awards Program

7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Open House/Classroom Visitation

As you can see, things are never dull here at Troy. We had a very successful winter sports season, the Science Olympiad Team is preparing for their upcoming regional, state

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### PTSA President's Message- *Bev Berryman*

The importance of parent **involvement in a child's career** development has always been vital to the overall success of that child. **A parent's influence can range from** helping children understand their strengths and talents to later providing advice and support in making the most out of high school and to matching interests to career choices or choosing between college or other career development options.

A recent study by ACT, an

organization that provides resources and services that support education and workplace success, found that high school students planning to enter the workforce after they graduated needed academic skills similar to those of students planning to enter college. The key is making sure that every young person has the best career information available and the skills necessary to make good decisions, as they prepare for their future. These skills

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## COUNSELING CORNER

### SENIOR INFORMATION

#### Community College Applications and Placement Exams

Community colleges will accept online applications beginning in late January and February.

This year, Fullerton College will continue to give their Placement Exam to high school seniors on the Fullerton College campus. Placement testing will be done on the computer. Further information will be provided in the spring. Fullerton College requests that students complete their application for admission before taking the Placement Exam. Students interested in attending Fullerton College in the fall have an excellent opportunity to sign-up **for the Fullerton College's Counseling 50 class.** This class is required for all incoming freshmen and can be taken on the Fullerton College campus in February and March. By taking this class as a current senior, you will be given continuing student status and therefore be eligible for priority registration in the fall.

#### Senior Letters

Seniors: If you received a letter from your Counselor in February, please be certain that you take the appropriate steps to complete the coursework necessary to meet graduation requirements. If you are attending Adult Education or the District Program at La Sierra, you must attend regularly in order to complete your units.

**You are now on the "home stretch."** Watch your attendance carefully, because it is very difficult and often impossible to make up lost units late in the school year.

#### Transcripts

Colleges and universities will notify you, if needed, when to send a copy of your seventh semester transcript. Please ask Mrs. Montoya, the Registrar, to send your transcript after the first semester grades have been posted. If you applied to a private school requiring a mid-year report, make sure that you have given us the form to complete and send with your transcript.

#### College Selection

Many colleges and universities send student acceptances in March. However, you have until

May 1 to let the college of your choice know that you intend to enroll. Please make sure that you have also notified the institutions that you do not plan to attend of your final decision as soon as possible. Your thoughtfulness will then allow a student on the wait list to gain admission to that campus.

#### ELM/EPT/Entry Level Writing Requirement

Additional entrance tests are required of students who have been admitted to the UC and Cal State campuses. The University of California requires the Entry Level Writing Requirement, formerly known as the Subject A Exam, an English test. The California State University system requires the ELM and EPT, a math and an English placement test. Information regarding tests will be sent to you directly from the university. Plan to take these placement exams at the earliest possible date in the spring.

#### College Visitations

If you did not have an opportunity to visit a campus in the fall, spring is an excellent time to schedule an appointment either for an initial visit or to revisit a specific campus before making your final decision. Please call the Office of Admissions or the Office of Relations with Schools to schedule your appointment and campus visit.

### JUNIOR INFORMATION

If you have not already done so, this is an ideal time to register and prepare for the SAT Reasoning Test, the ACT with Writing Test, and/or the SAT Subject Tests given in May or June. By testing this spring, subject matter will be current. You may then retake the test or tests in the fall of your senior year if you would like to improve your scores. Remember that colleges and universities will accept your highest set of scores regardless of the order in which you take the tests. Many students choose to enroll in a SAT preparation program to learn effective test taking strategies. Please ensure that a prep program does not impact your study time and grades if you plan to attend during the school year. Many SAT prep programs offer summer sessions as well to accommodate busy student schedules.

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## Grad Night Tickets Still Available!

A great Troy tradition for our graduates an ALL NIGHT PARTY at Dave and Busters!

**Don't miss out on the best** games, entertainment, prizes and food!



WHEN : June 12 early evening until the next morning

Be sure to grab your tickets before they sell out!

Buy them in the Activities Office or mail to

Grad Night, 2200 E. Dorothy Lane, Fullerton, CA. 92831

## Grad Night Meeting

Thursday April 3<sup>rd</sup>, at 7:00 pm in the Conference Room. Monthly meetings will be held until June.

Parents from all grade levels are welcome. We especially like to see sophomore and junior student parents help so you will be prepared **for when you have a senior. Don't miss out on the fun, camaraderie, and excitement of planning this big event.** If you have any questions please contact Grad Night Coordinator Kathleen Shanfield at [kshanfield@aol.com](mailto:kshanfield@aol.com) or call her at 714-525-5377.

### GRAD NIGHT—JUNE 12-13, 2008

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Troy Student ID # \_\_\_\_\_

T - Shirt Size: (circle one) Small Medium Large X-Large

Amount enclosed \_\_\_\_\_ \$125

Make check payable to Troy Grad Night - hurry! Tickets are limited!

**Be sure to put your student's name and ID on check.**

## Six More Weeks of Winter? Spring right around the Corner?

Did the legendary groundhog see his shadow on February 2nd? Not to worry! Whether it is 50 degrees or 80 degrees, sunny, windy, cloudy or rainy outdoors, the Warrior Logo Store can outfit you perfectly for the rest of the winter and the upcoming spring season.



**We've got polo shirts, T shirts, sweatshirts, sweat pants, windbreakers, Aloha wear, baseball caps, visors, and a huge stock of PE clothing in sizes ranging from small to XXL.** We also have an assortment of logo merchandise including car decals and lanyards.

Just getting started in a new spring sport? You could really use a Warrior sports bag! Choose from two colors and three sizes of duffel bags to hold all your gear. The small and large sports bags have double outer pockets and a convenient drink compartment.

The Warrior Logo Store is located across from the north gym next to the cafeteria, and we are open for business at lunchtime on Mondays and after school on Wednesdays and Fridays.

Thank you for your continued support! See you soon!

Your Warrior Logo Wear Sales Team:

Lori Applerose, Tami Paulus, Lanita Logan, Jean Lee and special assistant, Epiphany Fischer



## Principal's Message

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and national competitions, our Drama Department is coming off one production and getting ready for another, our Choir and Instrumental Music Departments treated us to wonderful concerts, our Dance Team has been very busy competing in many competitions including the Contest of Champions in Florida, our Special Education Department has field trips and activities going on all the time-many of which include students from the ever popular Best Buddies Program, and the list could go on and on.

As of this writing, Troy staff members are busy getting ready for our WASC visit scheduled March 3-5. A lot of hard work has gone into preparing for this visit and I would like to extend my appreciation to everyone involved in preparing for the visit as well as for their input

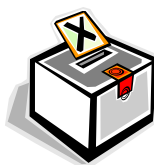
I encourage you to check our website for upcoming events and ask your students about any announcements. You can also check the morning **announcements on Troy's website by clicking on the Today/Calendars tab** and then Morning Announcements.

Sincerely,

Maggie Buchan  
Principal



The following slate of nominees is being presented to serve as Troy PTSA officers for the 2008-2009 school year. The election will take place at the April PTSA meeting which will be held on April 14 at 8:15 am in the Troy staff lounge.



### Troy PTSA Officer Slate for 2008-2009

President	Vicky Hodge
Executive VP	Angela Khorsandi
1 <sup>st</sup> VP Communications	Leslie Beard
2 <sup>nd</sup> VP Membership	Jennifer Starritt
3 <sup>rd</sup> VP \$20 for Troy	Luz Howchin
Recording Secretary	Melinda Rathmell
Treasurer	Karen Storey
Financial Secretary	Tricia Lively
Auditor	Patty Noble
Historian	Kelli Dougan

## Global Youth Service Day



February - March 2008 All Day& Night!

### Larry's Pizza & Sports Parlor

926 W. Orangethorpe Ave. Fullerton, CA 92832  
714.871.3484

**Larry's Pizza & Sports Parlor has generously granted** the City Of Fullerton Parks & Recreation, Boys & Girls Club of Fullerton, North Orange County Family YMCA, and the Fullerton School District After School Programs **collaboration a "Dining for Dollars"** opportunity for the Global Youth Service Day event scheduled for April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2008 at Independence Park (801 W. Valencia Ave.) from 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. For more information, call Amparo Herrera @ 714.879.9622 or email aherrera@ymcaoc.net

**Larry's Pizza will donate 25% of your receipt to the** Global Youth Service Day event that supports our goal of service learning and making a difference in our community. Invite your family, friends, and neighbors to participate in this fundraiser. The more dining the more donated.

## Twenty for Troy March Madness Drive



Each March the PTSA holds its annual Twenty for Troy fundraiser and asks families to participate by donating twenty dollars to the PTSA. There is no candy to buy, no wrapping paper to sell, no magazine sales to pitch to your co-workers. There is no food to eat, no jogathons to run in and no need to rewash your car. Instead the PTSA would like to put 100% of your moneys directly into enhancing the learning **environment for Troy's students. This past year the** PTSA has used Twenty for Troy Funds funds to enhance the accessibility of student services areas. In addition, in an effort to provide students with up to date research materials, the PTSA recently, purchased licensing for the World Book Reference Programs. PTSA counts on you to help us continue to support the great academic environment that Troy offers its students. Thank you in advance for your generosity. A self address stamp envelope is enclosed for your convenience.

## COUNSELING CORNER

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### REMINDER OF UPCOMING COUNSELING ACTIVITIES

#### Freshman Counseling

Counselors have begun the process of meeting with each freshman student and his/her parent or guardian. The Counselors discussed information about graduation requirements, a proposed four year plan, college entrance requirements, and available resources to assist the student. We thank all the parents in advance for their participation.

#### Registration for Freshmen, Sophomores, and Juniors

Registration for current Troy students will begin the week of February 25th and will continue until the second week in March. Members of the Counseling Department will distribute course catalogs, registration cards, summer school data, and current copies of student transcripts in World History, English 2, and U.S. History classes respectively. We appreciate your assistance in making sure that your student completes all required materials and returns his or her card on the appropriate date. Your signature on the registration card indicates to

us that you have reviewed and approved the choice of courses that your student has made. The careful selection of courses is important to ensure appropriate progress toward graduation and future educational and vocational goals.

#### Registration Information for Incoming Ninth Graders

Parents of eighth graders are invited to attend our Parent Information Evening on Wednesday, March 12 at 6:30 p.m. in the Troy High School Lecture Hall. This meeting will provide information regarding course offerings and registration procedures. We will visit Ladera Vista and Parks Junior High Schools on Monday, March 10, and Beechwood on Tuesday, March 11 to distribute registration materials. We will return to Beechwood on Thursday, March 13, and Ladera Vista and Parks Junior High Schools on Friday, March 14, to collect all of the completed registration materials. Students from Fisler and Nicolas Junior High School will be seen by appointment only. We thank all parents for encouraging and assisting your students to complete the registration process carefully and in a timely manner.

## PTSA President's Message

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will open up new opportunities never imagined and give them the confidence to succeed in school and in life.

PTA has partnered with the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment & Training Administration to offer some proven strategies and ideas for career and educational planning through a national effort known as PTA Goes to Work, a career information campaign designed to help families make connections between education and career planning.

A web-based career planning toolkit has been created that offers many resources, which can be downloaded at [www.pta.org](http://www.pta.org). This information can also be found on the PTSA link on the Troy High School Website. Published brochures will be available at the next PTSA meeting as well. Please take some time to review this information and share with your student to help them explore the possibilities for their future.

Bev Berryman

### Smoke Free Cars—Law Summary

Effective January 1, 2008, H&S Code §118947 bans the smoking of any cigarette, pipe, or cigar in vehicles (moving or parked) while a youth younger than the age of 18 is present.



As a result of this law, children in cars will breathe less secondhand smoke. It may also help reduce cigarette litter on streets and highways, reduce roadside fires, and help smokers to quit.

Children are especially at risk to the harmful health effects caused by breathing secondhand smoke in confined spaces, such as a car or truck. The level of toxic air in a vehicle when someone is smoking is up to ten times greater than the level which the United States Environmental Protection Agency considers hazardous.

The harmful chemicals in secondhand smoke can remain in the air and on surfaces in a car or truck for many hours, and even days, after a cigarette has been smoked. These chemicals stick to surfaces, such as a **child's car seat, making it a potential hidden source of danger for children.**

Smokers can be fined up to \$100 for smoking in vehicles when youth are present.



# Troy Support Organization (TSO)

An Education Foundation 501(c) 3

Putting Your Donations to Work in the Classroom

P.O. Box 7286, Fullerton, Ca 92834 ([www.troyhigh.com](http://www.troyhigh.com))

## \$2000 Grant! Raytheon Company of Fullerton

In December of 2007, TSO received a \$2000 Math-Science Grant from the Raytheon Company of Fullerton.

The donation will be used for the benefit of curriculum enhancement. Every donation helps keep Troy students on the top of educational opportunities.



TSO members L to R: Lisa Vaughan (Grant Coordinator), Cathy Eldridge, Marlene McGlensey

## Giving/Matching Foundations

All funds from your company's Giving or Matching Foundation—are put DIRECTLY to work in the classroom. Email our Grant Committee at [ttso@troyhigh.com](mailto:ttso@troyhigh.com) with your name, telephone number, and company name. TTSO contacts your company about the program and will complete all the paperwork!

**..... Yes, I wish to support Troy High School's Outstanding Academic Program.....**

My tax-deductible gift of \$\_\_\_\_\_.

Direct my gift of \$\_\_\_\_\_ towards the purchase of the following item(s). (see Wish List for suggestions)

\_\_\_\_\_

My employer \_\_\_\_\_ will match my gift. Enclosed is a matching gift form with my section completed.

Name of Parent(s): \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent's Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

First and Last Name of Student(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Grade Level(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone(\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

We recognize **all donors in our TSO Update and Web Site.** \_\_\_\_ I prefer that my donation remain anonymous.  
 THANK YOU for your tax-deductible gift (TIN 1-2052114). All donations will be acknowledged in writing.  
 Please make check payable to TSO Send to: TSO, PO Box 7286, Fullerton, CA 92834.7286



## Parents, Students, Teachers - Join the Troy PTSA

The Troy Parent Teacher Student Association has an active presence at Troy High School and depends on the support of each and every student, parent and staff member. The PTSA is a national organization of people who believe in the education and welfare of all youth. All student members receive discounts at PTSA sponsored dances. The proceeds from our membership drive pay for on-going student enrichment programs, safety supplies, student scholarships and many other items to benefit the students at Troy. Your dues and donations also fund the monthly Troy Newsletter that is mailed/e-mailed to every Troy family.

**Please complete the enclosed envelope or the form below and include a check payable to "Troy PTSA".**

Membership dues are \$7.00 per person. You may return by mail to the school address or simply drop off at the Activities Office at your convenience.

### Troy PTSA 2007-2008 Membership Application

Student Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$7.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$7.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$7.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher/Staff Name: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$7.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

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less expensive, saves paper and helps us raise more money for the school.**

Yes, I want my Newsletter online. We will e-mail you a notice when it is posted on the website

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