

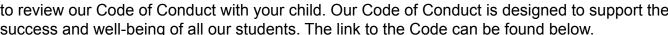
PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

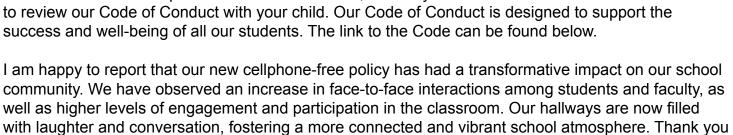
Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

It has been a great start to the school year. Our faculty, staff, and students hit the ground running, and we are so proud of the enthusiasm and positive energy to begin the year. Our students and teachers are working diligently each day, and we greatly appreciate the support you provide in ensuring your child arrives to school ready to learn each day.

By now, students should be well-acquainted with our school's expectations, daily routines, and their teachers' expectations. To maintain a safe and respectful school environment, we ask you

for your continued support with this policy.





As a reminder, we utilize two platforms to maintain consistent and open communication between school and home. You can access all of your child's progress through Parent Portal on our eSchoolData site and communicate with any faculty or staff member through ParentSquare. We encourage you to access both of these platforms regularly. Information regarding both can be found below. In addition, you are always welcome to call or come in as often as necessary to address concerns with teachers, counselors, and grade-level administrators to ensure your child's success.

Please join us for our upcoming Parent Conferences on November 14th from 5-8 PM and November 15th from 1-3 PM. This is an excellent opportunity to review your child's report card and discuss his/her progress with teachers and school counselors. We are deeply grateful for your continued partnership in your child's education. Together, let's ensure a positive and successful school year.

Joshua Monk **Executive Principal**

Important Upcoming Dates and Events



November 5th - Professional Development (No School)

November 11th - Veteran's Day (District Closed)

November 8th & 9th - Fall Play - 7:30 p.m

November 14th - Parent/Teacher Conference - 5 - 8 p.m.

November 15th - Parent/Teacher Conference - 1-3 p.m. (Half Day)

November 27th - Teacher Comp Day (Half Day for Teachers/Students)

November 28th & 29th - Thanksgiving Recess (District Closed)

December 4th - Winter Concert - 7:30 p.m.

December 23 - January 3 - Holiday Recess (No School)

December 25th - Christmas Day (District Closed)

January 1 - New Year's Day (District Closed)

January 20th - Martin Luther King Day (District Closed)

January 29th - Lunar New Year (District Closed)

January 30th - Parent/Teacher Conference - 5 - 8 p.m.

January 31st - Parent/Teacher Conference - 1 - 3 p.m. (Half Day)

Reminders:

Parent/Teacher Conferences

We encourage your presence and your effort to join us to discuss your child's progress!

When?

Thursday, Nov 14, 2024, 05:00 PM

Friday, Nov 15, 2024, 01:00 PM

Thursday, Jan 30, 2025 05:00 PM

Friday, Jan 31, 2024 01:00 PM

Half Day for Students

When?

Friday, Nov 15, 2024, 11:40 AM

Wednesday, Nov 27, 2024, 11:40 AM

Friday, Jan 31, 2025 11:40 AM

Bell Schedules

Daily Time Schedule	Half Day Schedule
Period 1: 8:30 – 9:11	Period 1 8:30 - 8:48
Homeroom: 9:11 – 9:16 (Period 1 classroom)	Period 2 8:52 - 9:13
Period 2 9:20 - 10:01	Period 3 9:17 - 9:35
Period 3 10:05 – 10:46	Period 4 9:39 - 9:56
Period 4 10:50 – 11:31	Period 5 10:00 - 10:17
Period 5 11:35 – 12:16	Period 6 10:21 – 10:38
Period 6 12:20 - 1:01	Period 7 10:42 – 10:59
Period 7 1:05 - 1:46	Period 8 11:03 - 11:20
Period 8 1:50 - 2:31	Period 9 11:24 - 11:40
Period 9 2:35 – 3:15	

STUDENTS ARE ASSIGNED TO ADMINISTRATORS AS FOLLOWS:

Grades 9 & 11

Mr. Ryan Meikle, Assistant Principal Mr. Jordan Canzeri, Principal Assistant

Grades 10 & 12

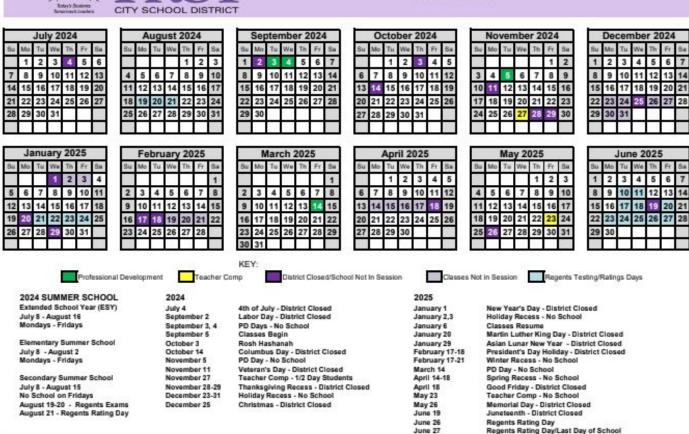
Mr. Christopher Stack, Assistant Principal Ms. Talia Valenti, Principal Assistant







Student Attendance Calendar 2024-2025



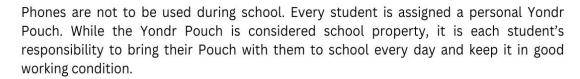
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2024-2025 Student Attendance Calendar

2024-2025 Code of Conduct

HOW YONDR WORKS

STUDENT PHONE POLICY & GUIDELINES



*Students arriving late will be required to place their phone/smartwatch/earbuds in their pouch upon entry to the building at any time.

*Students leaving early at any time during the day will unlock their pouch as they exit the building, prior to going to the locker room for sports and/or any after-school activities.

DAILY PROCESS

As students arrive to school, they will:

- 1. Turn their phone off.
- 2. Place their phone, smartwatch/earbuds inside their pouch and secure it in front of school staff.
- 3. Be responsible for carrying or storing their pouch.

EXIT PROCESS

As students exit school, they will:

- 1. Open their pouch
- 2. Remove their phone/smartwatch/ earbuds and put their pouch in their backpack.
- 3. Students must bring their pouch to school with them each day.

POUCH DAMAGE

Students will ultimately be responsible for the care of their Yondr pouch. If a student intentionally damages the pouch they will be responsible for replacement. Until the replacement fee is paid, their phone/smartwatch/earbuds will be collected in the morning and remain in the main office for the duration of the school day.

FORGOTTEN POUCH/LOST POUCH

If a student forgets or loses their Pouch, their phone/smartwatch/earbuds will be collected and Admin will call home to remind the Parent of the policy. The phone will be returned to the student at dismissal. If the pouch is lost, the student will be required to pay a fee and will then receive a replacement.

PHONE VIOLATION DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS

Failure to comply with the district's cell phone policy will result in:

- · Admin confiscates phone for the day
- Parent Pick up and Meeting with grade-level administrator

2nd Offense:

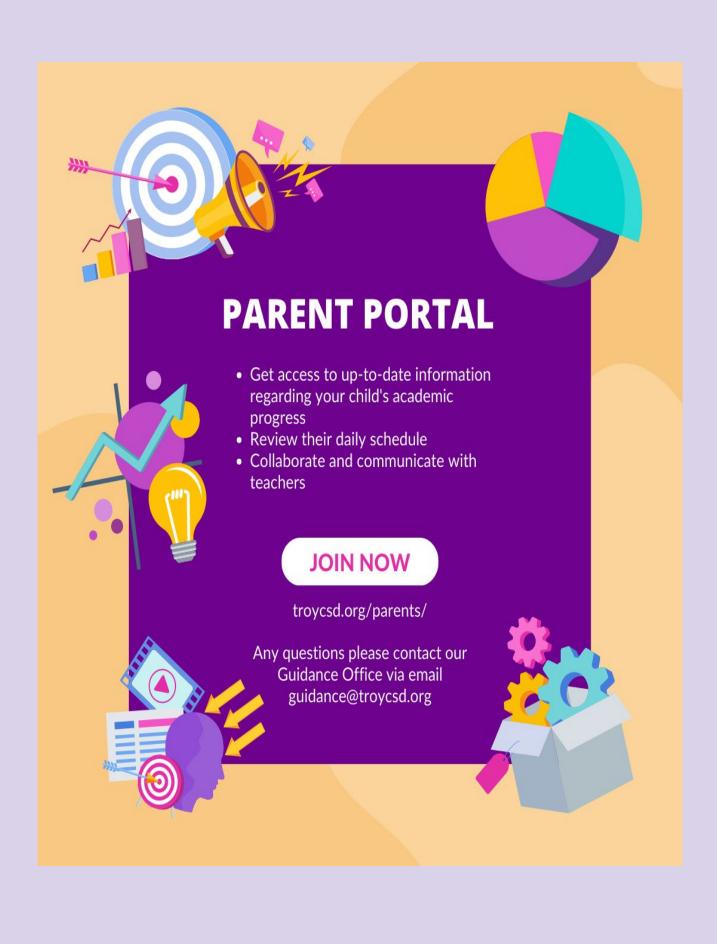
- Admin confiscates phone for the day
- Parent Pick up
- In School Suspension
- Student hands in phone to administration every morning for 30 calendar days. Additional consequences deemed by District Code of Conduct.

3rd Offense:

- Additional consequences deemed by District Code of Conduct.
- Out of School Suspension for Insubordination
- *Length of time will be increased after any further violations
- *Refusal to hand over the phone will be treated as insubordination and consequences will be given according to the District Code of Conduct

For lost/damaged/stolen pouches there is a replacement fee of \$30.

Students will be required to turn in the phone to the main office upon arrival for 30 calendar days.







Troy CSD uses ParentSquare for important communication with families

All important text messages, phone & email alerts from the district including early dismissals, closures, bus delays and more will be sent to families through this platform.

VISIT WWW.TROYCSD.ORG/PARENTSQUARE FOR MORE INFORMATION



Download the ParentSquare app today!

Stay involved with your student's learning and activities at school. From anywhere.











Guidance News

Brendan Bradt, Counselor - bradtb@troycsd.org
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Bradley Kasper, Counselor - kasperb@troycsd.org
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Kayla Hartman, Counselor, Smart Scholars - hartmank@troycsd.org
Ikea Witt, Counselor - witti@troycsd.org
Eugenie Gleason, Social Worker - gleasone@troycsd.org
Gabrielle DelBrocco, Social Worker - delbroccog@troycsd.org
Richard Hurley Sunset Co-Director - hurleyr@troycsd.org
John O'keefe, Sunset Co-Director - okeefej@troycsd.org

We encourage parents to use e-mail for more immediate access to the counselors. Also, if you have an e-mail address, please let the counselors know so they can put it in their system.





IMPORTANT DATES

Saturday, October 26 th , 8:30 a.m. - PSAT Testing for all Juniors

The PSAT is a trial run for the SAT, required by many colleges and universities for admission. The PSAT is a shorter version of the SAT and is used to measure verbal, reading and mathematical abilities important for college work. Students should sign up on the google form that was sent in google classroom.

October 29, 2024 - 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 am - MARIA COLLEGE INSTANT ADMIT DAY

Students will receive a google form to sign up.

November 21, 2024 6 p.m. - 7 p.m. - THS Financial Aid Night

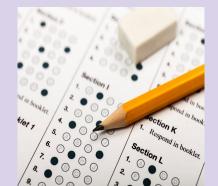
TMS Auditorium - On-site assistance to complete the FAFSA and NYS TAP applications will be provided. Please bring 2023 tax federal/state tax information. There will also be an Admissions Information Session.

Saturday, December 7th - 8:30 a.m. till 12:00 p.m. - COLLEGE GOAL SATURDAY at HVCC.

Financial Aid Professionals will be available to assist each family complete their financial aid applications. Letters will be mailed home with additional information and detail on an appointment.

December 3rd , 4th , & 5th - HVCC INSTANT ADMIT DAY

Students will meet individually with an Admissions Counselor from HVCC to ask any questions they have. THS Counselors will go into English classes and have students complete an application online.







ACT/SAT TEST DATES 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR

DATE	TEST	TIME
August 24, 2024	SAT Test	7:30am - 2:00pm
September 14, 2024	ACT Test	7:30am - 2:00pm
October 5, 2024	SAT Test	7:30am - 2:00pm
October 26, 2024	ACT Test	7:30am - 2:00pm
November 2, 2024	SAT Test	7:30am - 2:00pm
December 7, 2024	SAT Test	7:30am - 2:00pm
December 14, 2024	ACT Test	7:30am - 2:00pm
March 8, 2025	SAT Test	7:30am - 2:00pm
May 3, 2025	SAT Test	7:30am - 2:00pm
June 7, 2025	SAT Test	7:30am - 2:00pm
June 14, 2025	ACT Test	7:30am - 2:00pm

HEALTH OFFICE NEWS

REGISTRATION:

All registration must be done at Central Registration. No student may see the nurse until this is completed and the Health Office has confirmation from Central Registration that the student is cleared to continue the registration process. Register

INJURIES AT SCHOOL (SPORT AND NON-SPORT):

In case of serious injury, parents are contacted immediately so the student is under the care of a physician as soon as possible. Parents should notify the Health Office of any unreported injuries occurring during school hours. All sports injuries must be reported to the Health Office no later than the morning after the accident. All sports injuries must be cleared by the school physician before the student can return to sport. Coaches must receive clearance from the Health Office before the student may return to sports.



CHANGES TO THE NYS HEALTH EXAMINATION REQUIREMENTS:

New York State requires the following Health assessments for High School Students:

- · Physicals All newly entering students and students in Grades 9 & 11
- · Vision & Hearing All newly entering students and students in Grade 11
 - · Scoliosis All boys Grade 9

STUDENTS ENTERING 12TH GRADE:

Students entering 12th grade must have either:

- · 2 doses of meningococcal vaccine with the booster dose given on or after age 16
- 1 dose if your child's first dose was given on or after age 16

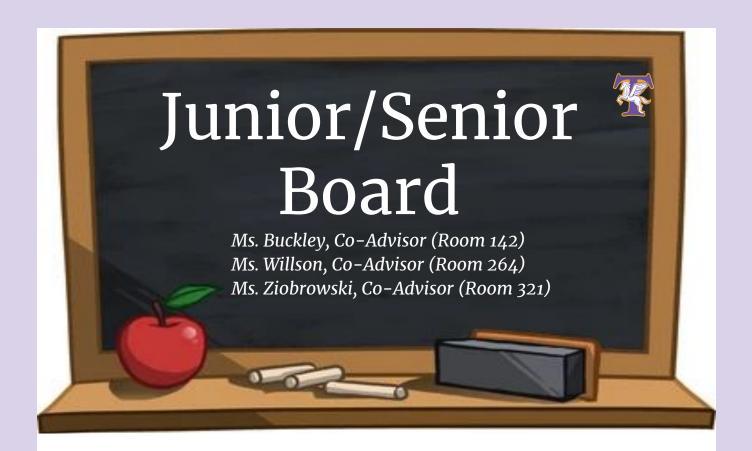


SPORTS:

Students wishing to participate in sports for the winter or spring season should hand in a completed sport approval packet for each season they participate in. The packet should be filled out and returned within the 30 day period leading up to the first day of tryouts date. Students should check that they have an updated physical on file in the health office to make sure there is an updated physical on file for them before each season. If students wish to participate in certain sports, and a vision screening is not done at the time of their physical or handed in separately, a vision screening will be done in the Health Office in order for the student to be cleared for sport.

SCHOOL INSURANCE:

Philadelphia Insurance Companies is an insurance which covers school activities, physical education classes, interscholastic and intramural sports. It is an excess coverage policy. The policy will pay only after the parent's insurance has been used. It is of utmost importance that the Health Office be notified as soon as possible of any school related injury so that the appropriate insurance forms are completed.



We are currently fundraising funding for our Junior and Senior Proms!



Thank you in advance for supporting our efforts!
We're also looking forward to our Winter Dance on

Your involvement makes a difference.

February 8th!



Important Dates

Mark Your Calendars

Nov. 8th & 9th Fri. & Sat. Drama Club Fall Play 7:30pm TMS Auditorium

December 4th Wednesday THS Winter Concert 7:30 pm TMS Auditorium

December 8h Sunday THS Choir - 4:30 pm Troy Victorian Stroll Time

Feb 5th Wednesday THS Pop's Concert 7:30pm TMS Auditorium

April 4th Fri., April 5th Sat. 7:30 & April 6th Sunday 2:00 pm Anastasia Spring Musical

TMS Auditorium

April 26th Troy Night Out Music Dept. Showcase & Art Show The Arts Center Troy NY 5-8
May 21st Tuesday THS Spring Concert 7:30pm TMS Auditorium

Troy High fall play cast

The fall drama production will be *The Play That Goes Wrong*, to be held on November 8th and 9th. Auditions were recently completed and rehearsals are underway. Lauren Ogden directs the show. Congratulations to the following students who were cast:

Annie (Stage Manager) Lila Suwara Taylor (Sound Girl) Ivy LoGiudice **Christine (Inspector Carter) Reilly Killion** Jonathan (Charles Haversham) Wolfric VanDaley Robert (Thomas Colleymoore) Khin Naing **Denise (Perkins) Abby McVay** Max (Cecil Haversham/Gardener) Liam Roe Sandra (Florence Colleymoore) Neya'Simone Quarles **Actors' Stage Crew: Daniel Bowen** Soorya Thiagarajan **Eric Pressley** Isabella Spairana **Linnea Dukes** Kara Allen **Amit Ben-Natan** Yanixa Cardoza Leverenz **Oliver Terry Eiley Fronhofer**

Troy High School students to participate in the RCSMA Music Festival

THS music students will be participating in the Rensselaer County School Music Association All-County Music Festival to be held at Rensselaer High School on November 14th and 16th. Congratulations and good luck to:

Jazz Band

Evan Spain - Tenor Saxophone

John Long - Trumpet

John Wasula - Trombone

Lee Snyder - Trombone

Eve Oathout - Vibraphone

Senior Choir 10-12

Soprano- Soorya Thiagarajan Alto-Evelynn Mizer Tenors- Eric Pressley,Logan Rodriguez Basses- Raymond Meeks, Angel Montanez

Junior Band 7-9

Haley Dayton - Clarinet

Lila Suwara - Baritone Saxophone

Auditions for Spring Musical Anastasia will be in December.

Monday December 16th & Tuesday December 17th

The Albany Symphony and the Empire State Youth Orchestra (ESYO) are thrilled to present an exciting afternoon of collaborative music-making, generously supported by the Innovation Partnership. This special event, designed to engage and entertain audiences of all ages, will take place at the MVP Arena on October 14 at 3:00pm.

Troy Students participating:

Liam Roe - Oboe

Soorya Thiagarajan - Clarinet

John Long - Trumpet

Lee Snyder - Trombone

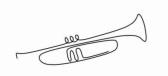
John Wasula - Trombone

James Rua - Percussion

Eve Oathout - Percussion

John Rua - String Bass

Congratulations to Senior <u>Nora Miller</u> for securing roles in the Park Playhouses upcoming shows of A Christmas Story & Heathers.

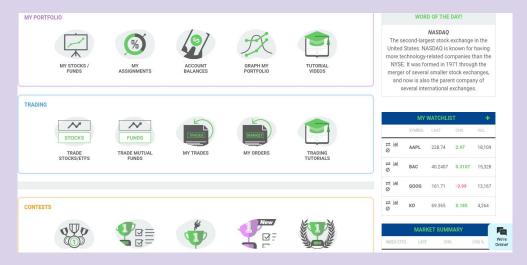




Career and Technology Education

Intro to Business -Mr. O'Keefe and Mr. Icso

Fantasy Stock Market Challenge has begun in Mr. Icso and Mr. O'Keefe's classrooms. The students have been issued \$100,000 using a real-time stock market simulation on a website called HowTheMarketWorks. We refer to it as HTMW which has various lesson plans and assignments from what is a mutual fund to how much do you need to save per month to become a millionaire at different investment return rates. The kids really seem to enjoy financial literacy education and are engaged because of the real world applications. They are starting to connect current events and the relationship to the stock market. For example, Hurricane Milton will have adverse effects on insurance companies but will boost profits eventually in Home Depot, Lowes or Energizer Battery. The students have rankings and compete for who will have the biggest return on investment. Below is a screenshot of HTMW.



Mr. Martin's Technology Courses:

DDP students are currently finishing up their 2D technical drawing unit where they learned how to use drawing tools to draw machine parts and geometric patterns. We will soon be moving on to 3D drawing using Orthographic and Isometric techniques.

Mr. Martin's Architectural Drawing students are working on a full set of drawings for a basic house. Drawings include Plot Plan, Foundation Plan/detail, and Wall/Roof Detail.

Principles of Engineering students started the year studying the various engineering fields and the Engineering Design Process. They have recently completed a project designing and building a device that travels the length of the room suspended on a string.

Mr. Wolff, Mr. Riehlman and Ms. Walther's Technology Courses

In Intro to Trades, students are starting to learn using different tools and machines to complete their first project; a Cut Out Design of their choice using Pine wood and the saws/bandsaws.

In Intro to Modern Technology, students are getting started experimenting with drones! We will be flying drones throughout the First and Second Quarters, teaching students how the drones fly and how they can code the drones to do what the students want.

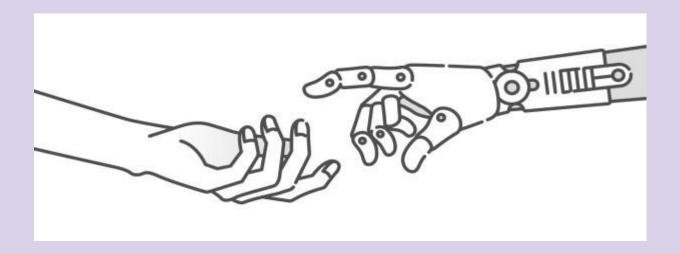
Graphic Design- Mr. Kemp

Students in Mr. Kemps Graphic Design class are working on a study of Andy Warhol's Pop Art



Robotics Club-Mr. Wolff

Students are starting to come together for the Robotics Club, meeting after school and brainstorming ideas for what a new robot might look like this year and how we are going to build it. They are also starting to raise money so the club can compete at the Robotics Competition in March 2025. The students are excited to get going on the Robotics Season!



MASTERMINDS

The Troy Masterminds Team won the CNY Fall Kickoff for the second year in a row on Saturday 9/28 in Syracuse. The team was represented by Demetrios Skordas and Jiarui Xiao and went 5-1 in the seeding games for the playoffs, before going a perfect 4-0 in the playoffs to take first place, winning the final game against Ithaca by a score of 350 to 170. With this victory, the team has once again qualified for the High School National Championship Tournament in Atlanta, which will be held over memorial day weekend. Additionally, Demetrios was received a special award for being the top individual scorer in the entire tournament field and was also recognized as NAQT's HS player of the week.



Student Council News

Student Council Will be hosting a Trunk or Treat for all TCSD elementary Students on Sunday, October 27th from 1-3 pm in the Troy High schools front parking lot.





Troy high student council has been off to a busy start! Right as we got back to school this year preparations for homecoming began. Homecoming weekend was September 27 and 28th. On Friday the 27th, the senior Homecoming Court was escorted onto the track. The 6 members of the court were: Taylor Case, Brianna Garcia- Perez, Hadeel Hamed, Sarah Kenna, Nora Miller and Rosie Sanchez. The Queen from the class of 2024, Maia Rua, came back to crown our new Queen Taylor Case.

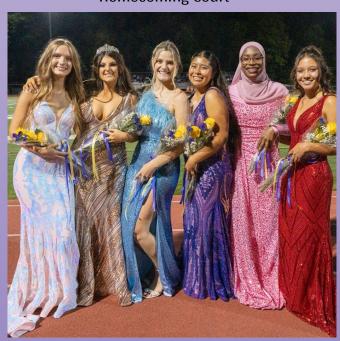


Congratulations to Taylor!





Homecoming Court



On Saturday October 28th the Homecoming Dance was held in the gymnansioum from 7-10 pm. The Junior Homecoming candidates were "Tapped" by the senior class Homecoming court. The following 6 girls were tapped and they will represent the Class of 2026 for Homecoming Court. Congratulations to: Marianna Alarcon, Jada Amey, Hailey Guerin, Mia Magnetto, Tatyanna Oliver, and Madison Schmidt.

School Photos & Yearbook Ordering

TROY HIGH SCHOOL order your students 2024-25 school pictures







Buy prints and hi-res images



Ships directly to your home



picture retake days: October 29 and October 30

Yearbooks can be ordered anytime from now until they sell out. They can either be purchased directly from the website with a credit card OR cash/check can be brought directly to Ms. Hartshorne in room 128. Checks can be made payable to Troy High Yearbook.

The total with tax is 59.40

To Order A Yearbook Click Here



CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES

Art Club - Ms. Duchnycz, Advisor

Dardanian (Yearbook) - Mrs. Hartshorne, Mrs. Theilemann, *Co-Advisors*

Drama Club - Ms. McAllister, *Advisor*

eSports Club - Mr. Chapkosky, Mr. Kasper, Ms. Gorman, Co-Advisors

French Club - Ms. Ogden, Advisor

Italian Club - Ms. Monaco, Advisor

Junior/Senior Board - Mrs. Buckley, Mrs. Willson, Mrs. Ziobrowski, Co-Advisors

Key Club - Ms. Clemente, Advisor

Masterminds - Mr. Cowles, Advisor

N.Y.S. Math Honor Society - Ms. Clemente, Advisor

Music Club - Ms. Higgins-Pascucci, Advisor

National Honor Society - Ms. Kuhn, Advisor

Robotics Club - Mr. Wolff, Advisor

ROY G BIV - Ms. Gleason, Co-Advisor

Ski Club - Ms. Clemente, *Advisor*

Spanish Club - Mrs. Sambrano, Advisor

Student Council - Mrs. Jones, Advisor

Students for Environmental Action - Mr. Birk, Co-Advisor

United Allies - Ms. Vayo, *Advisor*

WAVE - Mrs. DeFazio, Co-Advisor

Youth Advisory Committee - Nutrition - Ms. Markowski, Advisor

