

# DO YOU WANT TO BE THE CLASS OF 2018 COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER?

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## **ELIGIBILITY:**

- Any senior with a GPA of 3.00 or higher and no disciplinary actions resulting in either in-school or out-of-school suspensions may submit a speech for consideration.
- Speeches must be submitted to the High School Office by the end of the school day (2:20PM) on Monday, April 30, 2018

## **SPEECH WRITING REQUIREMENTS:**

- Topics for the speech should be of interest to the graduation class and the general audience of three generations (grandparents, parents, students).
- Speeches must be typed, double-spaced, 12 point font, and approximately 3-5 minutes in length when orally presented.
- The author's name should NOT appear on the speech. A student should place his/her name, student ID number, home room, and telephone number on a separate piece of paper and attach it to the speech.
- Speeches that do not conform to these guidelines will not be considered.

## **EVALUATION PROCESS:**

- Speeches will remain anonymous.
- Each speech will be assigned a number, duplicated and placed in a packet for evaluation by the Commencement Speech Selection Committee. The committee members will read and rank each speech. The authors of the top five speeches receiving the highest ratings will be asked to give an oral presentation to the committee. The student receiving the highest ranking from this presentation will address their class at Commencement.
- Commencement Speech Committee consists of a minimum of two high school administrators, two members of the High School English Department, at least three student leaders, and additional faculty members.

## **NOTIFICATION:**

- All students will be notified of the Committee's chosen speaker by Thursday, May 24, 2018.

## **QUESTIONS:**

- Please contact Mr. Lesnett at the high school main office or at [lesnettc@pt-sd.org](mailto:lesnettc@pt-sd.org)
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