



# Lambert High School

## CLASS OF 2025 COMMENCEMENT SPEECH

Lambert High School graduating seniors are encouraged to apply for selection as the class of 2025 commencement speaker. As in the past, the Valedictorian and Salutatorian will be recognized during graduation for their hard work and achievement. However, as part of a new tradition, the senior class address will be delivered by a student selected to represent the Class of 2025.

A committee of faculty, administrators, and a student representative will select one applicant to deliver the commencement speech. The content and style of presentation will be the primary criteria used by the selection committee to determine the commencement speaker, whose speech should be positive, relatable, and with a clear message to the class of 2025 and their families.

### Commencement Speech Requirements

- Any Class of 2025 graduating senior – in good academic & behavioral standing – may apply by submitting their speech for review. This senior must take at least two classes during the current school year on Lambert High School's campus to be considered.
- The speech must
  - have a delivery time of about 3 minutes, representing approximately 400 words.
  - be original and completely authored by the applicant.
  - should be typed in a font size that is clear and legible, then saved as a pdf file. It will then need to be uploaded as directed below.
  - should have a delivery time of about 3 minutes, representing approximately 400 words.
- The application submission deadline is January 31, 2025.
  - All submissions will be reviewed AFTER the deadline.
- The top 10 speeches will be determined by the selection committee, using a rubric for numerical scoring. Those making the top 10 will deliver their speech to the selection committee during the week of March 3, 2025. The evaluations will be based on content, presentation, and delivery.
- The top 3 speakers will present to a panel made up of Mrs. Thrower, Administrators, Teachers, Senior Class Sponsor and a senior class representative for final review and selection on March 28, 2025.



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TIMELINE**

**December 20, 2024: Form open for submission.**

- A Google Form will be used for students to sign up and submit their speech for review. [LINK HERE](#)

**January 31, 2025: Application closes.**

- Students have four weeks to prepare their speeches for the selection committee.

**Week of March 3, 2025**

- Those making the top 10 will be asked to deliver their speech to the selection committee during the week of March 3, 2025, using a rubric for numerical scoring.

**Throughout the month of March**

- Based on rubric, the top 3 students will be selected to present to Mrs. Thrower, the Senior Class Sponsor, and other panel members.

**March 28, 2025**

- Final selection of commencement speaker announced.