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Valedictorian Nomination 2025

A Valedictorian in general demonstrates the highest academic achievements of the class, represents the entire graduating class and is respected by their peers.

The selection of a Valedictorian is not a popularity contest and must be given serious consideration.

Your valedictorian is a student who demonstrates excellent:

- **Attendance:** a minimum of 86% attendance in all classes;
- **Academic standing:** a minimum of an 86% average; and
- **Public speaking:**
 - Able to speak to a large audiences; and
 - At each of the **two** Commencement Ceremonies on **Sunday 8 June 2025**.

Stage 1: Candidate Essay

Submit a 500 word essay addressing what leadership/volunteer work you have done for the betterment of Royal Bay Secondary and/or your larger community.

The completed essay is due at **noon, Tuesday 1 April 2025**.

Valedictorian candidates who have successfully satisfied the essay topic will be notified on **Monday 7 April 2025**. This group will be the short-listed candidates.

Stage 2: Short-Listed Candidate Videos

The short-listed candidates will prepare a 2 – 4 minute video for presentation to the Graduating Class.

Sample videos will be viewed and items to be included will be discussed at a meeting with the short-listed candidates.

Candidate Videos are due at **noon, Wednesday 30 April 2025**.

Stage 3: Graduating Class Vote

The Graduating class will view the short-listed candidate videos and vote for their favorite.

The vote will take place online, at a mid-May date yet to be scheduled, and the video with the most votes will determine the Valedictorian.