# CORPUS CHRISTI CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL GRADUATION 2024 VALEDICTORIAN APPLICATION INFORMATION

Congrats future Grads of Corpus Christi – you're almost there! In saying this, it is time to select **ONE** student to represent the student body as the Valedictorian of the 2023/24 Corpus Christi Graduating Class. In order to successfully apply and be part of the selection process, you must be:



- A student in good standing, achieving a minimum overall average of 75% in this academic school year (confirmed by Student Services). You must also appear on the potential graduate list.
- A student who represents the ideals of the HCDSB's commitment to dignity, equity and respect, and meets both classroom and larger school expectations (confirmed by Administration).
- A student who can act as a voice and speak to the variety of experiences of the entirety of the graduating class
- A student who exemplifies Christian values and exemplifies the Catholic Graduate Expectations.

In order to be considered for eligibility, applicants must complete/submit the following by May 17th:

### 1. Application Form (on next page)

- o Overall average verified by a Guidance Counsellor
- o Recommendation by one Vice Principal and two Teachers

# 2. A Brief Speech for the Graduating Class (to be given in person to the Graduating class on May 22nd)

- o Applicants are to write a 1 2.5 minute speech which explains / argues why you are an excellent candidate to act as a representative for the entirety of the graduating class. This speech will then be given in person. A time limit will be enforced so please respect the limits listed.
- o While the structure of your speech is entirely up to you, please do not reference specific names of other students or teachers or comment on other candidates.
- o As noted above, the speeches will be delivered during a short assembly in the theatre on May 22nd during Period 2.
- o All speeches must be submitted and approved before being given to the graduating class. To this point, please be mindful that students who give addresses that differ from what is submitted and approved will be automatically removed from the selection process and face potential additional consequences.

#### **Application Process/Additional Information**

- The Valedictorian Application form **MUST** be printed and legibly completed by hand. Once completed, please bring to Student Services and submit it to Mr. Sobiera or Mr. Papa.
- After submitting a completed Application form, you will then complete and submit (on paper or shared digitally) a copy of your brief 1 2.5 minute speech address to Mr. Sobiera and Mr. Papa for approval; you will be notified once your speech is approved.
- Be mindful that school administration also reserves the right to make any changes to the selection of the candidate at any time.

#### **Important Dates**

- Applications and brief speeches must be submitted by **May 17th at noon**. Again, as noted above, you will be notified once your speech is approved. If you do not receive notification within 48 hours of submitting and/or sharing your speech digitally, please see Mr. Papa or Mr. Sobiera in Student Services.
- Please pay attention to announcements as well as check the Graduation Information section of the school website for additional information.
- The Valedictorian will be announced on May 24t. All candidates will be called down first to discuss the winner and then it will be announced to the school as a whole.

## CORPUS CHRISTI CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL GRADUATION 2024 VALEDICTORIAN APPLICATION FORM

APPLICANT NAME: APPLICANT EMAIL ADDRESS: APPLICANT CELL NUMBER:



# **Academic Average Confirmation:**

1.	<b>Guidance Counsellor:</b>		
	Name:	(print name)	Signature:
	I verify that the applicant's overall avecurrent 2023-2024 school year. This strequirement for Valedictorian of the C	tudent meets th	=
Recommendation Confirmation:			
	*Vice Principals and Teachers signing below verify that the applicant is a student in good standing and support the student's nomination for Valedictorian based on the criteria provided (This can be found on the first page of the application at the top).  *Please also be aware that a Vice Principal or teacher can nominate more than one candidate.		
2.	Vice Principal:		
	Name:	(print name)	Signature:
3.	Teacher #1:		
	Name:	(print name)	Signature:
4.	Teacher #2:		
	Name:	(print name)	Signature: