

To whom it may concern,

While many of us did not envision the year ending in this way, we here at Riverside have agreed to continue with the Virtual Valedictorian. One of the key parts of the commencement ceremony is the role of Grade 12 valedictorian and salutatorian. The valedictorian and salutatorian are candidates that are positive role models in the eyes of their Riverside peers and teachers. The valedictorian and salutatorian will be presenting a speech to grads that will capture their entire experience in the K-12 educational system.

This year we have nine students who want to be part of this experience. Each individual kid has created a one-minute video on why they should be this year's valedictorian and salutatorian. We are writing this letter to let you know that the voting for this year's valedictorian and salutatorian is now open. The link for the videos are listed below:

[2020 Riverside Valedictorian Speeches](#)

The link for grade 12 students to vote for this year's valedictorian and salutatorian is listed below:

<http://myriverside.sd43.bc.ca/pbarrington/valedictorian/>

We hope that you can share these links with your son or daughter and have them take a few minutes to watch the videos and then vote. Voting will end on Monday June 8th, 2020 at 3 pm.

We hope that the valedictorian will share an experience that is not just talking about how life has been to this point, but will also add perspective in guiding everyone forward thinking about their future after high school.

Thank you,

Philip Barrington

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