



Valedictory Ceremony 2018 – Grad Write-Up

Believe it or not, planning for this year's Valedictory Ceremony is already underway! Hugh Boyd Secondary's Valedictory Ceremony will take place on Saturday, June 2, 2018 at 1:00 pm at the Chan Centre, UBC.

One of the portions of our ceremony that is especially appreciated by both parents and students is the personal message that is read about each student as they make their walk across the stage. We are requesting your help by submitting a Valedictory write-up to be read at the ceremony.

You may choose **one** of the following options:

1. Parent/guardian submits a Valedictory write-up for their child; **OR**
2. Grads may submit their own Valedictory write-up; **OR**
3. Select a write-up from a list of prepared comments.

NOTE: The school will select a comment for students who do not have a write-up submitted by the deadline.

Make the comment personal and keep it classy – the use of slang, shout outs, use of random initials or “text talk” will not be accepted. As there are nearly 150 graduates, the comment **MUST be 30 words or less**. These messages must be brief but generally include comments about important achievements, school memories, interests and plans for the future. Every submission will be reviewed and may be edited at the school's discretion.

The following are examples of what a Valedictory write-up may say:

- Mary Meyer: “Mary enjoyed attending Boyd Secondary and was proud to be part of the Senior Girls’ Volleyball and basketball teams. She wishes to study law at UBC. Congratulations and good luck!”*
- Devin Diaz: “Devin thanks his teachers, coaches, friends and his family for their love and support. He is looking forward to attending Kwantlen College in September to pursue a career in nursing.”*
- Sara Sim “It feels like it was just yesterday you were in kindergarten. Yet incredibly today you’re graduating and soon off to Waterloo! We’re proud of you Sara – love Mom and Dad.”*
- Colton Chan: “Colton enjoys nature and loves the outdoors. He’s looking forward to traveling to Africa this summer before beginning at BCIT. Congratulations, you’ve made your family very proud!”*

The **deadline** to submit the write-up is **Friday, April 13, 2018**. You may submit in the following ways:

1. Complete online at <https://survey.sd38.bc.ca>
⇒ Survey ID: HBVAL2018
2. Email form to Boyd@sd38.bc.ca
⇒ Fillable form available to download on the school website.
⇒ Write in the email subject line: **Valedictory comment for [first & last name]**
3. Mail or drop off the form to the school office.

Thank you for helping make the Valedictory Ceremony a special day for everyone. We look forward to seeing you at the Chan Centre on June 2, 2018.



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Graduate's name: _____
Last Name Usual First Name* Legal First Name

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OR

B. Check **ONE** option below if you prefer to select a prepared comment.

- We wish you all the best today and always! Congratulations, {name}.
- Congratulations, {name}. Keep smiling and embrace the next stage of your journey.
- Best wishes and congratulations on graduating! May the future bring you further success and a whole world of happiness.
- Thank you to my parents, teachers and my friends for being so supportive over the past 5 years. Good luck to the Grads of 2018!
- Congratulations on your graduation, {name} and may all your dreams come true!
- We are proud of you and hope you will follow your dreams. Congratulations, {name}.
- Congratulations, {name}. May your future be filled with success and happiness at whatever you do.
- I’ve met a lot of wonderful people and made lifetime friends. Anything is possible, you just need to believe in yourself. Good luck grads!
- High school truly taught me the meaning and importance of family and friends. Thank you for sharing this journey with me. Good luck to the Grads of 2018!
- Congratulations, {name}. You can succeed at whatever you choose to do and the world awaits you!
- Congratulations on high school graduation {name}. This is the first of many milestones to come!
- May the coming days be the beginning of a beautiful journey full of love, laughter and happiness. Congratulations, {name}.
- Congratulations, {name}. We can’t wait to see where life takes you. Follow your dreams!
- My time at Boyd has been amazing. I would like to thank all my friends and family for always being there. Good luck to you all!
- Congratulations {name}, you have made it this far and we are very proud of you. We wish you all the best! Love, your family.

Thank you for completing the Valedictory grad write-up. Please complete and return this form or email back to the school by **Friday, April 13, 2018**. You may also complete it online at <https://survey.sd38.bc.ca> (Survey ID: HBVAL2018).

**Usual first name will be read at the Ceremony, unless otherwise instructed.*