

2019 GRADUATION SPEECH APPLICATION

Tryout Date: Wednesday, May 15th
Tryout Time: 7:00am (late start)
Location: Music Room (Performing Art Center)

IMPORTANT! THERE IS A DEADLINE DATE!

We ask anyone who would like to submit a **written** graduation speech to do so by **Monday, May 13th**. This speech will be turned in to Patricia Hargraves in the Student Store. After this date it will be too late to submit a speech or performance...sorry, no exceptions!

After speeches or performances have been submitted, they will be reviewed by the Graduation Committee, members of the Senior Class Council (senior class officers), and staff members. The committee is responsible for assembling a graduation program that is interesting, entertaining, and balanced.

In order for your speech to qualify, it is important that you are familiar with the Graduation Committee's expectations and the criteria for evaluation. Please review the following points:

- Written speeches are judged "blindly" (without a student's name attached). **Your name should appear on a cover sheet only**.
- Each presentation should be **no more** than 3 minutes in length. (Typed or word processed speeches please.)
- The Graduation Committee is looking for speeches about Graduation, and/or related themes and relatable to the majority of the Senior Class and/or Audience. No **personal** or religious messages, political speeches, or time to bear old wounds and/or degrade anyone, or the school. No profanity will be allowed. Appropriate topics would include reflections on the four years at TPHS, special thanks to teachers, friends and family for support, etc.
- The speech you write, should it be selected, must be the one you give at the graduation ceremony. A copy of that speech must be given to Mr. Santos upon selection.
- Evaluation of the speeches and presentations will be judged according to the rubrics on this form.
- The decisions of the Graduation Committee will be final.

I am interested in trying out for graduation speaker

NAME: _____ **Date:** _____

EMAIL: _____ **CELL #:** _____

(Please print legibly, you will be notified of any changes in time or venue as well as final decision via email)

Please return the bottom portion of this form, *with your speech*, on or before Monday May 13th to Patricia Hargraves in the Student Store.

Thank you and good luck!