

JOHNSON HS GRADUATION SPEAKER AUDITIONS

Vocal Warm Up – This is purely for your vocal warm up – you do not need to recite this during your audition.

- A big black bug bit a big black bear, made the big black bear bleed blood.
- toy boat, toy boat, toy boat
- synonym, cinnamon, synonym, cinnamon
- You know you need unique New York.
- Round and round the rugged rocks the ragged rascal ran

Master of Ceremonies: You oversee introducing platform guests, speakers, and generally keeping the Graduation Program rolling smoothly. For auditions: Prepare a short Welcome Speech to perform for the judges (no longer than 1 minute) and bring 4 copies to the audition. You will also read the script below during auditions. Introduce yourself, pass out the speeches, and begin.

Graduation Script and Welcome Speech

Master of Ceremonies reads:

Ladies and gentlemen, family, friends, faculty and, of course, the Class of 2025, welcome to the 17th Commencement Ceremony of Claudia Taylor “Lady Bird” Johnson High School. My name is _____ and I will be your Master of Ceremonies for this afternoon.

On behalf of the Class of 2025, I wish to thank Elisia Vanderfoot for the Opening Remarks she provided for this evening.

INSERT YOUR WELCOME SPEECH HERE

When finished, please continue reading the script.

In a moment, the Johnson High School Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps under the direction of Retired Command Sergeant Major Richard Sizer and Retired Major Thomas Groggett, will post our nation’s colors. Bellarose Bexley Grover will lead us in the singing of our National Anthem. Will everyone please rise for the presentation of the colors...

Master of Ceremonies says: Please be seated. And now, Mrs. Candace Pearson, Principal of Claudia Taylor “Lady Bird” Johnson High School, will introduce the platform guests. Mrs. Pearson.....

Master of Ceremonies: Thank you, Mrs. Pearson. For the past year, most seniors have found themselves thinking about their future more than ever before. Whether it is filling out numerous college applications or simply asking “what’s next,” we seniors could not ignore the imminent presence of the future. Now, Emelie Nguyen will help us look to the future as she presents the 2026 Commencement Address. Emelie

Commencement Address: The Commencement speaker’s address looks towards the future after high school. For Auditions: Prepare a speech (no longer than 1 ½ minutes) and bring 4 copies to the audition. Introduce yourself, pass out the speech copies, and then start your speech.

Results: You will be emailed with the results a few days after auditions. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Mrs. Cobb at mcobb1@neisd.net