

## George McDougall High School 2024 Class Valedictorian

The 2024 Class Valedictorian has the honor and duty of announcing to the GMHS School Community and the City of Airdrie, the dreams and aspirations of the George McDougall graduating class of 2024.

The criteria for the selection of valedictorian are:

- Candidates must have been on Honor Roll for Grades 11, and 12, and with no mark below 80% (no exceptions).
- Candidates must be a currently active member of our school community (extra-curricular programs: sports, leadership, intramurals, music programs, theatre program etc.) and/or involved in the Airdrie community for their high school years.
- Candidates must possess and demonstrate a strong positive attitude during school and after school while attending school sanctioned events.
- Candidates must have exemplary behavior for the last two years in being respectful and a positive community member.
- Class Valedictorian packages are due by the end of the school day April 12<sup>th</sup> (2:05pm). Late applications will not be accepted.
- Candidates will be notified via email the afternoon of April 12<sup>th</sup> if their application is successful, and the time they will be presenting on April 16<sup>th</sup>.

The selection process:

1. Applications will be available for pick up on or before April 8, 2024.
2. Administration will review the application package upon submission to confirm the minimum requirements of nominees.
3. All nominees will prepare a 2-minute speech to introduce themselves and demonstrate to the selection committee why they would be the best candidate for class valedictorian, focusing on the message that is representative of their graduating class. This year's class quote is "Not all who wander are lost" (J.R.R. Tolkien).
4. A selection committee of administrators, teachers and community members will review the candidates' speeches and select the class valedictorian on April 16<sup>th</sup>.

The grad committee wishes all nominees the best of luck.