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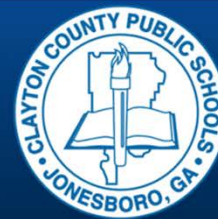
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## **Clayton County Board of Education Hosts First Ever Valedictorians and Salutatorians Recognition Ceremony for Class of 2018**

**JONESBORO** - During the April 10, 2018 Clayton County Board of Education (CCBOE) meeting, the top academic achievers for the Class of 2018 were honored for their accomplishments.

For the first time, Clayton County Public Schools (CCPS) and the CCBOE honored the students who earned the designation of valedictorian and salutatorian for their respective schools as part of the 2018 graduating classes. As part of this recognition, students, their families and school principals were treated to a reception sponsored by the Division of Support Services and Federal Programs and received a special tribute during the meeting's Board Recognitions segment.

In opening the recognition, Dr. Morcease J. Beasley, CCPS Superintendent of Schools, applauded the academic efforts of the valedictorians and salutatorians as well as welcomed them to “the club” of scholars who have previously earned this achievement.

“You are highly intelligent and we know you will be outstanding ambassadors of Clayton County Public Schools in the metro region, the state of Georgia, the country and the world,” he said.

In addition, Superintendent Beasley offered thanks to the parents for their unwavering support and sacrifices made as their children work to move forward to the next phase of their respective futures.

The highlight of the recognition was the surprise presentation of laptop computers to each valedictorian and salutatorian. The computers were made available through the generous financial support of Edutrax, Inc., Vertucom, and ProLogic, ITS.

Photos of the valedictorian/salutatorian reception and the recognition ceremony can be found at the following link:

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/11uznm6MTaE8u2CDZcmu5JUH3tAx75ULW?usp=sharing>.

To view a complete list of the Valedictorians and Salutatorians for the Class of 2018, please see the following chart. The Class of 2018 will graduate at the Georgia International Convention Center (GICC) May 24-26, 2018. A schedule for the graduations is posted on the district's website, [www.clayton.k12.ga.us](http://www.clayton.k12.ga.us).

## Class of 2018 Valedictorians and Salutatorians

HIGH SCHOOL	VALEDICTORIAN	SALUTATORIAN
Charles Drew High School	Danielle Obiri	Harry Nguyen
Elite Scholars	Ramatulai Jagne	Rodney Guillaume
Forest Park High	Tan Vo	Cindy Vo
Jonesboro High	Eric Mayo	Tyra Nguyen
Lovejoy High	Nianicole Wedlowe	Deion Peoples
Morrow High*	Steven Vu Linda Ngo	\
Mt. Zion High	Phuoc Nguyen	Yaritza Almonte
Mundy's Mill High	Ronni Wells	Thy Nguyen
North Clayton High	Kiana Wimberly	Nhu Quynh Tran
Perry Career Academy	Shelby Turner	\
Riverdale High	Jennifer Vo	Danny Nguyen
M.E. Stilwell*	Bliss Gordon Nia Anderson	\

*\* Stilwell and Morrow High will apply Administrative Regulation IHF (6)-R (1) which speaks to situations in which there are two valedictorians.*

### **About Clayton County Public Schools**

Clayton County Public Schools (CCPS) is fully accredited through AdvancED – Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Council on Accreditation and School Improvement. The district offers a focused world-class program based on a challenging curriculum which is taught from pre-kindergarten through 12th grade. Serving almost 55,000 students, Clayton County Public Schools is ranked among the 100 largest school districts in the U.S. and is the fifth largest school system in Georgia.

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