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Congratulations Graduate!

On behalf of Mt. San Jacinto College, we would like to invite you to audition to speak during Graduation 2020 to be held on Thursday, May 21, 2019 at Pechanga Resort Casino. The only requirement for auditioning is that you are graduating during spring 2020 or have graduated in summer or fall of 2019 and will participate in one of the two ceremonies- 10 a.m. or 3 p.m.

If you wish to audition, please prepare a 3 – 5 minute reflection speech focused on the theme *"Eagles Rise: Transforming the Future."* A written copy of your speech must be submitted at the time of the audition.

We are looking for brief motivational/success stories and how your experience here at Mt. San Jacinto College has positively influenced you as you look ahead to the future. Additionally, you may wish to thank many of your instructors and staff, however, we encourage you not to include names.

The criteria for selection as a speaker include length (5 minute maximum), content, presentation, and adherence to the theme. The speech need not be memorized, but an excessive dependence on reading will negatively affect your presentation. The speech may or may not have humor, anecdotes from your time on campus, a "moral," and advice to others, etc.

After the auditions conclude, two students for each ceremony will be selected to deliver their reflection, based on the criteria. Those selected may be assigned a ceremony based on event need. Other students who are not selected may be given the opportunity to lead their class in the "turning of the tassel," a time-honored tradition.

Open auditions are scheduled as follows: April 7, 2020 from 2 – 4 p.m. in room #412 on the Menifee Valley Campus, and April 8, 2020 from 2 – 4 p.m. in room #200 on the San Jacinto Campus.

No appointments are necessary.

Sincerely,
Office of the Vice President
Student Services

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