

Kayla Erb: President Speech

As soon as I woke up this morning I complained. I complained a lot about how I didn't want to be here and I didn't want to hear long boring speeches. I complained at rehearsal, I complained on the walk down the track and then I sat in that seat... and then I blinked, and here I am standing before you today and I'm not in eighth grade anymore. I still don't want to be here today, but now for different reasons. I don't want to leave Lindenhurst High School.

I spent more time at school than I did at home! Lindenhurst is a very welcoming place. There won't be too many more moments in my life where I'll be able to dress like Thomas Jefferson and its ok. In ten years people won't know that I won most school spirit... who am I kidding in ten days people won't know that. That's the thing about high school, by tomorrow most of you will be focused on college and you'll forget high school. My sister's in sixth grade now and just a few weeks ago I showed her my sixth grade portrait. She said "you were ugly too?" I said, "Yup, everyone's ugly in middle school, but don't worry they won't remember that."

I've come across some extraordinary individuals these past few years and there's no doubt in my mind that you will succeed far beyond my expectations. I look forward to the day when I hear the Rinaldi brothers have made a scientific breakthrough. I'm mostly excited to see on TV that our President of the United States is CJ Thomson.

I wouldn't be here today without the help and support of my family. I said to my other sister "Ruby, what if I embarrass myself?" she replied "Don't worry, you will." The lack

of support I get from my sisters is made up for with the administration. We are truly blessed to have a principal like Mr. Giordano. If there's anyone who should be recognized, it's him. Mr. Giordano, thank you so much for these last four years.

Seniors, I wish you the best of luck and I thank you for a great experience. Remember, when you're feeling down there's always the embarrassing middle school yearbook to refer to.