

COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

THE CLASS OF 2020 VALLEY CHRISTIAN HIGH SCHOOL



THURSDAY, THE TWENTY-FIFTH DAY OF JUNE

TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY, 7:00 PM

NEW LIFE COMMUNITY CHURCH

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PROGRAM

Welcome _____ Mr. Troy Stahl, Superintendent

Opening Prayer _____ Ms. Sheri Admiraal, Faculty

Class Song - "King of My Heart" _____ led by Mr. Daniel Davis and Mr. Kwesi Thomas

Introduction of the Salutatorian and Valedictorian _____ Mr. Troy Stahl, Principal

Acknowledgement Speech _____ Miss Kendall Aardema

Class Speech _____ Mr. Tristan Griffith

Commencement Address _____ Mr. Bryan Branderhorst, Faculty

Presentation of the Class _____ Mr. Troy Stahl, Principal

Acceptance of the Class _____ Mr. Brad Struiksma, Board President

Announcement of the Graduates _____ Mr. Gene Bras, Faculty

Presentation of the Diplomas and Bibles _____ Mr. Troy Stahl and Mr. Chris Becher

Presentation of the Class Gift _____ Miss Caitlyn Azevedo, Senior Class President

Closing Prayer _____ Mr. Rob Samuelson, Faculty and Parent of a Graduate

Alma Mater _____ Miss Kelly Stock, ASB President

HONORS

VALEDICTORIAN

Tristan Griffith

SALUTATORIAN

Hui (Charlotte) Sun

VALEDICTORIAN STATUS

Graduates that have earned a cumulative GPA of 4.0 or higher; signified with a gold tassel.

Kendall Aardema	Dana Koops
Jeremiah Andrade	Lucas Lam
Caitlyn Azevedo	Andrew Lange
Justine Bassett	Haotian (Jack) Li
Margery Blechner	Abigail Meade
Megan Bouma	Sydney Nicholson
Gemma Bulthuis	Cameron Noble
Savannah Clive	Maya Parker
Abigail De Jong	Holiday Pettijohn
Lukas Doornbos	Richard Rietveld
Olivia Doornbos	Cassidy Samuelson
Cameron Erickson	Matthew Schroeder
Camryn Espinosa	Zorah Smith
Stephanie Galima	Emma Spresney
Tristan Griffith	Yi (Peri) Su
Joy Hall	Hui (Charlotte) Sun
Young Hyun (Irene) Han	Kathryn Tamminga
Joshua Huchel	Olivia Vande Vegte
Minjoo (Jerry) Jin	Katherine (Katie) Ward
James Kamstra	Claire Westra
Jake King	Carissa (Carly) Wind
Michelle Ko	Xuesi (Jinx) Zheng

SCHOLARSHIPS

Kendall Aardema __ Point Loma Nazarene Univ - Trustee's	James Kamstra _____ SAS Leadership
Caitlyn Azevedo __ Point Loma Nazarene Univ - President's	Dordt Univ - Instrumental Music Activity
Ron Talsma Athletic	Dordt Univ - Presidential
Justine Bassett _____ Rochester Institute of Technology	Dordt Univ - Vocal Music Activity
- Presidential	Kailani Kane _____ Chester Tadakawa Tigers
Megan Bouma _____ Point Loma - President's Academic	- Youth Service Award
Gemma Bulthuis _____ California Baptist Univ	Dana Koops _____ Emerson College - Pinnacle
- Presidential Merit	Andrew Lange __ Clarence De Vries Athletic Perseverance
McKenna Bushong _____ Vanguard Univ - Academic	Lucas Lam _____ VCHS Athletic Boosters
Vanguard Univ - Athletic	Texas Christian Univ - TCU Award
Abigail De Jong _____ Karl Kalma Memorial	Emma Montenegro ____ Northwestern College - Academic
Cole-Terhorst Christian Service Award	Northwestern College - Athletic
California State Univ, Fullerton - Presidential	Sydney Nicholson _____ Howard Univ - Leadership
Aaron Chairez ____ California Baptist Univ - Director's	Cameron Noble _____ Univ of Arizona
Savannah Clive _____ Biola Univ - Provost's Academic	- Arizona Excellence Tuition Award
Mia DeKraker _____ George Fox Univ - Merit	Renee Ordoneo _____ Biola - Eagle's
George Fox Scholarship Competition	Candice Palmer ____ Hope Int'l Univ - Beach Volleyball
Braden Ellis _____ Cerritos Optimist Club	Nick Peña _____ Avila Univ - Performance
Camryn Espinosa _____ Azusa Pacific Univ - Provost's	Holiday Pettijohn _____ Biola Univ - President's
Hayden Fieldhouse _____ Dordt Univ - Presidential	Irene K Michels
Stephanie Galima ____ La Sierra Univ - Freshman Merit	Cayden Plooster _____ Ron Talsma Athletic
La Sierra Univ - SDA Membership Award	Angelina Pool ____ Vanguard Univ - Presidential Academic
Katie Gekler _____ Josh Dawson Memorial	Isabella Prieto _____ Biola Univ - Eagle's
Pay It Forward	Zuri Quarterman ____ California Baptist Univ - Director's
SAS Service	Isabella Richards ____ De Bie Future Elementary Teacher
Tristan Griffith _____ SAS Academic	Biola Univ - Dean's
USC - Presidential	Richard Rietveld _____ Pay It Forward
USC - Town and Gown	Jessica Rodriguez _____ Chick-Fil-A Leadership
Lockheed Martin STEM	Cassidy Samuelson __ Ottawa Univ Arizona - Presidential
Edison Scholars STEM	Kelly Stock _____ California Baptist Univ - President's
Hallie Harris ____ Colorado State Univ - Honors Program	Kathryn Tamminga _____ Karl Kalma Memorial
Joshua Huchel _____ Pepperdine Univ - Regents	VCHS Athletic Boosters
	SAS Character

Conner Taylor _____ George Fox Univ - Merit
 George Fox Scholarship Competition: Computer Science
 Olivia Vande Vegte __ Point Loma Nazarene Univ - Provost
 Point Loma Nazarene Univ - Track and Field
 Claire Westra _____ Azusa Pacific Univ - President's
 Marathon Petroleum Company
 Carissa Wind _____ Southern Methodist Univ
 - Distinguished Scholar
 Dedmond College of Humanities and Science Discovery

AWARDS

NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLAR

Tristan Griffith

NATIONAL MERIT COMMENDED SCHOLARS

Michelle Ko

Holiday Pettijohn

COMMUNITY AND NATIONAL RECOGNITION AWARDS

John Philip Sousa Award _____ Richard Rietveld
 Louis Armstrong Award _____ James Kamstra
 National School Orchestra Award _____ Hallie Harris
 The President's Volunteer Service Award _____ Abigail De Jong

CIF ACADEMIC AWARDS

CIF-SS Female Scholar Athlete of the Year _____ Megan Bouma
 CIF-SS Male Scholar Athlete of the Year _____ Andrew Lange

CLASS OFFICERS

Senior Class President.....Caitlyn Azevedo	ASB President..... Kelly Stock
Senior Class Vice President.....Megan Bouma	ASB Student IssuesKendall Aardema
Senior Class OFR.....Carissa Wind	ASB Athletics..... Lucas Lam
Senior Class Social Chair.....Claire Westra	ASB Service.....Abigail DeJong, Katie Gekler
Senior Class Representative.....Gemma Bulthuis	ASB Fine Arts.....Cameron Erickson
	ASB Publicity.....Mia DeKraker
	ASB SpiritArianna Otero

CLASS VERSE

*“The LORD will guide you always;
He will satisfy your needs in a sun-scorched land and will strengthen your frame.
You will be like a well-watered garden,
like a spring whose waters never fail.” Isaiah 58:11 NIV*

CLASS SONG KING OF MY HEART

J McMillan and S McMillan - CCLI Song #7046145

Let the King of my heart
Be the mountain where I run
The fountain I drink from
Oh He is my song
Let the King of my heart
Be the shadow where I hide
The ransom for my life
Oh He is my song

You are good, good oh

Let the King of my heart
Be the wind inside my sails
The anchor in the waves
Oh He is my song
Let the King of my heart
Be the fire inside my veins
The echo of my days
Oh He is my song

You're never gonna let,
Never gonna let me down

VALLEY CHRISTIAN HIGH SCHOOL ALMA MATER

Valley Christian High School
We raise our song to thee;
We pledge our firm devotion
And our fidelity.
Our loyalty and honor
We'll ne'er permit to die.
Hail our Alma Mater,
Valley High!

Valley Christian High School
May thy strength never fail;
Within thy halls may truth
And honesty prevail.
Upon the Faith of old may thy word
Be our strong guide.
Hail our Alma Mater,
Valley High!

CLASS OF 2020

Kendall Riley Aardema*+
Caitlyn Ivania Alvarez
Jeremiah Angel Andrade
Diego Christoph Avina
Caitlyn Gabriela Azevedo*+
Colby Alexander Barnes
Justine Cara Bassett*+
Margery Sarah Blechner*
Megan Brianna Bouma*+
Jared James Bowman
Daniel Keith Nigel Bradford*
Gemma Rose Bulthuis*+
McKenna Ashlynn Bushong
Justin Isaiah Camper
Aaron Michael Chairez
Savannah Jaclyn Clive*
Ashley Angelica Cuellar
Abigail Rose De Jong*+
Mia Grace DeKraker*+
Zoe Rosalyn Delgado
Andrew Joseph Diaz
Lukas Wayne Doornbos
Olivia Kathryn Doornbos*
Janna Ariel Dunk+
Braden Joel Ellis
Cameron Renner Erickson*
Camryn Juhl Van Herk Espinosa*+
Hayden James Fieldhouse*+
Stephanie Endeno Galima*
Faith Tamra Gandy
Brayden Christopher Garner+
Katie Linda Gekler*+
Elijah Alexander Glonchak
Tristan David Griffith*
Joy Abigail Hall
Young Hyun Han
Hallie Rose Harris*
Veronica Luz Hinzo
Christine Gayoung Hong
Yuwei Huang
Joshua David Huchel*
Jarvis C Hudnall II
Minjoo Jin*

James Cornelius Kamstra*+
Kailani Mikie Kane
Jake Fredrick King
Joseph Richard Klein
Michelle Cherry Ko
Dana Koops+
Lucas Kobe Lam*
Mariana Landaverde
Andrew Jonathan Lange*
Ryan Steven Lasiter
Haotian Li*
Ying Li
Haolin Liu
Jacob Paul Long+
Benjamin Elias Maldonado
Allison Brooke Maynard*
Abigail Nicole Meade*
Emma Nicole Montenegro*
Samuel Joseph Montoya
Noradene Sambopha Neal+
Sydney Elyse Nicholson*
Cameron Scott Noble*+
Renee Ditching Ordone
Kevin Ricardo Orellana
Arianna Janet Otero*
Candice June Palmer
Jun Ha Park
Maya Ana Parker*
Malvin Payero
Nicholas Peña
Holiday Grace Ya Ying Pettijohn
Cayden Gregory Plooster
Angelina Jillian Pool+
Trevor Allen Pool+
Isabella Marianna Prieto
Mackenzie Abigail Puls
Zuri Abeni Quarterman
Jacob Raymond Redfox
Isabella Rose Richards*+
Richard Gerrit Rietveld*+
Jessica Carole Rodriguez
Bethany Amber Rubio+
Mary Lou Jadin Ruiz

Cassidy Ann Samuelson*
Dwight Toman Sankey, Jr.
Matthew Paul Schroeder*+
Zorah Jaenay Smith*
Emma Louise Spresney*
Kelly Lauren Stock*+
Yi Su
Hui Sun*
Kai Kinoshita Talstra
Kathryn Joy Tamminga*+
Conner James Taylor+
Kate Ann Van Kampen+
Olivia Grace Vande Vegte*+
Katherine Grace Ward+
Peter William Weaver
Qizhao Wei
Claire Jennie Westra*+
Carissa Laurel Wind*
Andrew Derek Yanney
Xuesi Zheng

**Denotes National Honor
Society Member;
signified with a gold cord
+Denotes students who have
attended VCS PreK/K-12*

The **FIVE** 'S of learning at **VALLEY CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS**

Christ Centered

As a Valley Christian School Graduate, you are expected to:

- Demonstrate Biblical literacy
- Understand your need for a Savior and how Jesus saves
- Defend and promote a Biblical-world view
- Live out your place in God's story and kingdom with justice, mercy and humility

Critical Thinking

As a Valley Christian School Graduate, you are expected to:

- Analyze with discernment

Community

As a Valley Christian School Graduate, you are expected to:

- Interact locally and globally

Communication

As a Valley Christian School Graduate, you are expected to:

- Comprehend and convey Truth effectively as speakers, listeners, readers, writers, artists, and performers

Creativity

As a Valley Christian School Graduate, you are expected to:

- Develop and use your God-given abilities
- Appreciate the innovation and creativity displayed in God's creation, others, and self

Valley Christian Schools has served students of Christian families in Los Angeles and Orange Counties for 85 years by providing an excellent education with Christ at the center, from preschool through high school graduation. Valley Christian Schools is committed to bringing every student to his or her highest potential academically, socially, and spiritually.

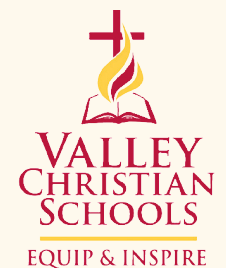
**HIGH SCHOOL
FACULTY & STAFF ROSTER**

Sheri Admiraal
 Andrew Andersen
 Chris Baker
 Leann Bakker
 Onnie Bomgaars
 Bryan Branderhorst
 Gene Bras
 Kristen Brewer
 Cindy Brito-Rodriguez
 Jessica Chuang
 Sarah Connell
 Gina Cortes
 Dan Davis
 Nicole Davis
 Paul De Vries
 Nancy Delgadillo
 Sheryl Doornbos
 Linda Duncan
 Mark Edlin
 Robyn Garcia
 Lyn Gardner
 Bill Garner
 Jody Garner
 Angela Garris
 Janet Hefley
 Kristiana Lee
 Dan Leffler
 Natalie Limon
 Pam Negen
 Julie Ormsbee
 Jeff Ornee
 Jim Parsons
 Teresa Peterson
 Laura Pheifer
 Carly Ploeger

Kari Price
 Mark Rhodes
 Nik Robinson
 Faith Rietveld
 Anthony Roldan
 Robert Samuelson
 Esther Sanchez
 Rebecca Snoeyink
 Roger Sprik
 Olga Stavro
 Leneé Struiksma
 Scott Tamminga
 Kwesi Thomas
 Katie Van Dyk
 Brooke Verhoeven
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ADMINISTRATION

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