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Bill Ng (Chairman of Directors - WA)

Thank you, Toni, esteemed guests, parents, colleagues, and our talented students, welcome to our annual presentation. Tonight, we gather to celebrate the remarkable achievements of over 1 hundred & 50 high achievers who have truly shined on their academic paths. Congratulations to all the winners!



Being selected for the Gifted and Talented program, earning scholarships, or achieving outstanding results in the ATAR are not just accolades; they represent significant milestones in your educational journey. These achievements not only highlight the unwavering support of your parents but also display your insistent dedication, demonstrating your potential to thrive.

Yet, as we recognise your successes tonight, let's acknowledge that this is just the beginning. The road ahead presents more challenges, demanding your resilience and determination for continued triumph.

I'd like to take this opportunity to pose some questions for contemplation:

To firstly, how to achieve excellence in your future endeavours?
Secondly, what is the key to realizing your goals?

Lastly, how can you forge a fulfilling career that enriches your life and serves the society?

To address the first question, achieving excellence involves factors such as personal well-being, living conditions, and environments. While intelligence and self-discipline are crucial, diligent effort remains within your control. In a world flooded with information, diligent work sets you apart, moving beyond mere repetition to genuine progress.

A wise Chinese saying: (台上一分钟,台下十年功) it means "People need 10 years of practice for a successful 1-minute talent-show on stage."

This emphasises the importance of setting goals, working smartly, and persistently to strive for improvement.

Lastly, when we consider our careers, an essential question arises: How do we ensure a rewarding and meaningful life? ...By acquiring a university degree and mastering a recognized profession is a reliable path. In this era of ever-advancing technology, staying competitive requires broad knowledge, particularly in fields like engineering and science, enhancing with creativity and innovation.

I am grateful to receive many commendations every year, with satisfied parents and students often admiring our coaching programs and the unparalleled teaching materials at North Shore.

I extend my sincere gratitude to all our tutors and staff at North Shore for their devotion in inspiring our students. Your commitment forms the cornerstone of our successes, and I invite everyone to join me in applauding their efforts

It comes to an important moment to honour and cherish the most trustworthy and dependable person in our lives---our parents. Dear students please stand up, turn to face your parents, and repeat after me: wave your hands and say, "Mum and Dad, thank you, I love you, and I'll make you proud." Thank you. Please be seated. If your parent is not here, hold onto your Trophy and express your love and gratitude as soon as you see them later tonight.

In conclusion, with your strong academic foundation and the wholehearted support of your parents, I have full confidence in your ability to pursue your dreams, bringing joy to our communities and beyond.

Now, it's my privilege to pay tribute to the visionary leaders behind our exceptional coaching system – the Mak family. Over the past more than 30 years, their constant commitment has been instrumental in our journey to success. I extend a warm welcome to our National Managing Director, Mr. Anson Mak, who has traveled from Sydney to join us. On behalf of thousands of satisfied parents and successful students in Perth, let's show our appreciation for their invaluable contributions. Please join me to stand up and put your hands together. Thank you! Please be seated.

Without further ado, let's welcome Mr. Anson Mak, to say a few words. Thank you.

Anson Mak (National Managing Director)

Mr Bill Ng Chairman & Managing Director, Mr Ben Ng (Acting Principal), Mrs Iris Ng Deputy Principal, Western Australia Campus Directors, Staff, Distinguished Guests, Parents & Students of the North Shore Community. Let me start off by acknowledging the traditional custodians of the land on which we meet today, and pay my respects to First Nations people – Elders past present and emerging.



It is wonderful to be back again in Perth. I really love coming over to Perth as it is a city with beautiful beaches and great people. Most importantly, I am lucky enough to share in the 2024 Annual Awards Presentation for North Shore TEE Success College and to celebrate the joys of success with our hardworking students. I'd like to express my sincerest thanks to our great team in Perth – Bill, Iris, Ben and all our staff, for their tireless efforts in the last 12 months and putting on today's presentation. Thank you to all our campus directors for their love and dedication to servicing our students and all customers. Thanks to our educators who continue to teach our students beyond the normal school curriculum, broadening the horizons of our students all over WA and beyond in our 65 + campuses in Australia and Hong Kong.

Whilst technology continues to advance the boundaries in education and other industries, challenging how we learn, work and live, the human element and the importance of face-to-face teaching continues to be fundamental to student learning. This can, however be supplemented by AI powered resources for learning and research. We at North Shore continue to strategically plan how AI can improve student learning outcomes and invest heavily to continuously improve curriculum, and ways to improve the learning experience of all our students. In the coming year, you will see some exciting developments in how online learning will supplement your face to face learning experience at North Shore. I would continue to encourage you to learn things from scratch, ask questions and be curious, and importantly to interact in person with your family and friends to build up your soft skills, which will leave you in good stead for school and your

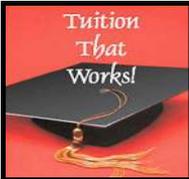
future careers.

In the last 12 months, our actions have been guided by our College Values of Excellence, Respect, Kindness and Professionalism. In terms of Excellence, of course I am delighted to share in the achievements of our wonderful students tonight (...and hard work of parents with the drop-offs) as we continue to celebrate academic excellence.

Kindness - we are very proud of our activities and support in the community. Our charity organisation North Shore Coaching College Charity Foundation in memory of Mrs Demi Mak, my late Mother and founder of North Shore, has continued to support improved access to education for the disadvantaged and cancer research. In the last 12 months, these community groups include 2 projects with Jesuit Mission supporting students in rural schools in Cambodia and those affected by fighting in Myanmar, Breast Cancer Network Australia in terms of fighting metastatic breast cancer, Breast Cancer Trials which furthers breast cancer research, and Caritas Australia for sustaining education programs for Burmese refugees and Can revive – a support service for cancer patients and carers. In terms of Professionalism, we always strive to provide the best learning experiences for our students and exceptional experience for our parents and staff. We are always striving for continuous improvement in our actions and always welcome feedback on how we can improve. I am also very grateful for your positive reviews and experiences on Google and social media.

Respect,...Mr Ng and our thank you tradition from our National Principal Mr Mak was a clear example of such. We strive to instil good values and habits with our students from a young age in addition to academic excellence. A simple good morning, please and thank you can go a long way in life for our aspiring generation.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank my father, Andy Mak. National Principal, my late mother Demi Mak, my wife and family, all staff past and present, for all their guidance and support, all parents who continue to support North Shore in our 30+ years of operation, and all our students who have persevered through pages and pages of North Shore materials to achieve success today. Congratulations on your wonderful achievements and congratulations parents and caregivers on raising such fine children. Thank you



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Dhiksha Karthikeyan (Gifted & Talented Winner)

Good evening, My name is Dhiksha, and I started at North Shore in Year 3. I received a scholarship to Perth Modern School based on my GATE test last year, and I am currently studying there as a Year 7 student. My time at North Shore has played a

crucial role in my journey to Perth Mod.

Like most students, when I heard that my Saturday mornings were going to be taken up by tutoring, I was NOT happy. When I stepped into my classroom for the first time in Year 3, I fully expected to spend the next 3 and a ½ hours in boredom. But I was definitely proven wrong! North Shore was more than a normal tutoring center where classes are merely a pass of time.

At North Shore, the teachers are capable of making the most out of the short time they have with us in class, all while keeping everyone interested and engaged.

In Year 3, I was the newbie in the class, which led me to be a bit shy, but I did not have that problem in Year 4. My most memorable and favorite year at North Shore was definitely Year 4. It was in that year that I bonded the most with my fellow classmates and my teacher. I made many close friends over the years as well as sharing a great friendship with my teacher, who was excellent at understanding how the students felt. She made everyone in the class feel comfortable sharing their opinions. This is the specialty of all teachers at North Shore, and that is why my time here has been so important in my life so far. I am very grateful for all the teachers and fellow students I have met along the way. Thank you all for listening to my speech this evening, and I hope you enjoyed it.



Adil Iftekhar (Gifted & Talented Winner)

Good evening distinguished guests, parents, students and staff. My name is Adil Iftekhar, and I am currently in Year 7 Gifted and Talented Program at Harrisdale Senior High School. I am very honoured to be here tonight.

Firstly, I would like to congratulate all students in GATE as you have all worked hard in this journey, to have such success. I would also like to thank North Shore and all the staff and teachers who dedicatedly taught all the students with precision, detail and accuracy. The teachers have always been there to help us understand every concept in depth and we would remember it by heart.

My journey began when I first started North Shore in Year 3, and I had no idea how to do the weekly spelling test. But with the teacher's guidance and help, my scores improved, and soon I was receiving full marks every week. I thought that as I kept getting a few questions incorrect in my homework the teachers would ignore me in class. But they did not; in fact, they sat down with me and thoroughly taught me how to answer these questions with speed and accuracy. Soon, I was making fewer mistakes and at the end of term I received an Excellence Certificate.

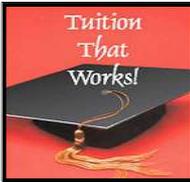
Over the years, I had finally mastered studying at North Shore, getting high marks in tests and homework, and

receiving at least one Excellence Certificate every term. They taught us special techniques and strategies which could assist with solving the question. North Shore not only gave me academic skills. but also, social skills. I have made many friends throughout the campus, and I have also learnt how to write and present speeches and articulations.

Every week after North Shore I attended support class, which I thought was just a class to finish off homework. But I realised it offered much more than just the finishing of homework; the teachers there assisted to support everyone and helped me understand the reasons behind the answers showing everything sophisticatedly. I also attended the Intensive Training Holiday Programs, which really challenged me beyond my limits, with questions that were the same level as GATE standard.

Finally, I would like to thank my parents, who encouraged me to do more, helped me to get the right education and become the person I am now. I also have much gratitude for the education and support North Shore provided me, and without it I would not be standing here right now at this prestigious ceremony.

Life is a rollercoaster, which will break you down at some point and put you in a dark shadow. But the key to success, is to pick up the pieces and keep going. Thank you.



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Winston Ho (Gifted & Talented Winner)

Hello, my name is Winston Ho, and I am extremely honoured today to share with you my North Shore journey. Since I started, North Shore has encouraged me, taught me, and helped to bring out my full potential. It has greatly



benefited me and allowed me to achieve my goal of being accepted into Perth Modern School through the GATE program.

North Shore has been a vital part of my life since year 5, extending my knowledge and greatly enhancing my performance at school. I would like to express my gratitude towards my North Shore teachers, as they have played an integral role in my success at primary school, even now, as I settle into high school, they continue to reinforce my Mathematics, English, and Science skills. They offer detailed explanations in class and make sure that I have a solid understanding of every new concept brought up in class. My accomplishments would never have been possible without them steering me to success.

My initial days at North Shore were marked by a

hesitance to learn and a tendency to shy away from challenges. However, never did I expect that in less than two years' time, I would be thriving at Perth Modern School, guided by North Shore. Both the commitment of the educators to deliver the best possible teaching for their students and their constant encouragement have been just some of the key factors in motivating students like us to succeed.

North Shore often poses concepts that are ahead of the curriculum, which are a great way to deepen our existing knowledge, helping us to grasp onto knowledge that we can use in the future. This is significantly benefiting me during my time at Perth Modern School.

My North Shore journey has been more than just academic; it has been one of personal growth and self-discovery. Through the challenges and the triumphs, North Shore has instilled in me a passion for learning that I will carry forward in all my future studies.

In closing, I am excited for what the future holds. With the guidance of North Shore, I am confident in my ability to tackle the complexities of high school and beyond. I extend my deepest appreciation to North Shore for lighting the path to a bright and promising future. Thank you.

Yirou Ng (Gifted & Talented Winner)

Good evening, everyone. My name is Yirou Ng, and I am a Year 7 student in Shenton College's High Performance Learning Program. I am very honored to be here this evening and happy to be able to share my experience with you.



To my fellow students, teachers, distinguished guests, North Shore Principal, and campus directors, thank you for taking the time to join us tonight. It means a lot to me to have your support and encouragement.

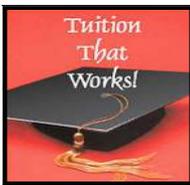
I started my North Shore journey in Year 4. Before that, I wasn't performing well academically, particularly in mathematics. So, my parents were looking for tuition to help me improve. When they found out about North Shore, they thought, "What's better than getting me the tuition that works?" So, I

was enrolled in North Shore Coaching College.

In the beginning, balancing North Shore homework with schoolwork and extracurricular activities was challenging. But with the encouragement from my parents and teachers, I persisted through the challenge. Gradually, I started to perform better at school, and my grades began to improve. This gave me the motivation and confidence to continue working harder. With a lot of hard work and a bit of luck, I successfully got into the HPL Program at Shenton College.

I would like to thank North Shore for helping me get this far and teaching me so much. Thank you, North Shore, and teachers.

Lastly, I would like to thank my parents for supporting me throughout these years and encouraging me to do better every time. Thank you, Mum and Dad. I could not have gotten to where I am now without your help.



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Dr Shakeel Mowlaboccus (North Shore Popular Tutor)

Principal, Students, Invited guests, Distinguished ladies and gentlemen, Good Evening.

It is a privilege to address you today. For those who don't know me, I am Dr Shakeel Mowlaboccus but everyone, including my students, simply call me "Shaxx". I joined the North Shore team as a teacher 15 years ago, in 2009, when our Principal Bill here saw something in me during my interview which was only one week after I had moved from my home country to Australia. During my journey at North Shore, I have taught more than 250 students, focusing on the Year 12 Maths Specialist, Maths Methods, Physics and Chemistry subjects.

I am proud to be associated with North Shore, a prominent institution where the students have all the qualities to be great citizens of tomorrow. These being **honesty, integrity, good morals** and, most importantly, always being thirsty for more knowledge. I must also acknowledge that it is an honour for me to have worked with the WA North Shore team which is led by Mr and Mrs Bill Ng who I gratefully thank, for trusting, and believing in my teaching skills, and whom I have utmost respect for.

To become a successful scientist in the field of medical research, I had to invest a lot of time and work hard, including on the weekends. And I am proud to say that the students at North Shore are no less – they



show profound interest and invest a lot of time in their studies, and they are always eager to learn more. Not everyone becomes a doctor, a scientist, a lawyer, or a teacher, but a good education opens the door to many opportunities. By scoring high marks in your subjects, you can at least afford to "choose" what you can do in life and go for the career in which you will flourish. As a teacher, I am obliged to ensure that the students at Northshore not only receive the appropriate knowledge in the most effective way but that they also acquire the qualities necessary for being good citizens of tomorrow. Not only do we train them to pass with flying colours but we also coach them for being **humble, honest** and **sincere** human beings as they grow up. And I must thank all you parents for trusting us in shaping your children not only academically but morally as well. Before I finish, let me share with you what I always tell my students "***Do not study to cram/memorise - study to understand***". Behind everything a teacher explains, there is a concept (an idea, a notion, a theory) - learn to understand the logic behind that concept and I promise you, you will never forget what you learn. And remember, you never stop learning – even when you grow up. Despite already having a PhD, I am currently enrolled as a student in a degree in Education at Curtin University – you see, even I am still learning. In conclusion, Ladies and Gentlemen, I would like to use this occasion to congratulate all prize winners today for their splendid performance. It is a moment of immense joy to be recognised for one's contribution to the development of the School. I urge all non-prize winners to keep working harder and emulate the achievement of award winners and keep uplifting the image of Northshore. I wish you all and Northshore the best for many more successful years ahead. Thank you.



Rayaan Atif (Top 1% ATAR High Achiever)

Ladies and gentlemen, esteemed faculty, honoured guests, and fellow students, My name is Rayaana, and today, I stand before you with immense gratitude and a heart full of appreciation.

As we celebrate our academic achievements, I cannot help but reflect on the pivotal role that **North Shore** has played in shaping our futures. It is my privilege to express my sincere thanks to this remarkable institution.

First and foremost, let us acknowledge our exceptional teachers. Their unwavering dedication, passion, and commitment have been the bedrock of our success. **Adela**, in particular, my tutor, stands out as a beacon of inspiration. Her enthusiasm for physics ignited a spark within me, propelling me toward a path I had never considered. Adela, you have not only imparted knowledge but also instilled a love for learning—a gift that will forever resonate in my journey. Beyond the

classroom, the **administration team** deserves accolades. Their tireless efforts behind the scenes ensure that our academic environment thrives. From organizing events to managing logistics, they create a seamless experience for us. To the administrative staff, thank you for your efficiency, warmth, and unwavering support.

As I bid farewell to learning here, I implore my fellow students: seize every opportunity, embrace challenges, and cherish the knowledge you will gain. My time here has been a transformative chapter—one that has prepared me not only for exams but for life itself. Let us carry forward the torch of excellence, knowing that we stand on the shoulders of giants.

To the incoming students, I say this: North Shore is more than a place of learning; it is a nurturing ground for dreams. Embrace the late-night study sessions, engage with your peers, and seek guidance from your remarkable educators. Your journey here will be marked by growth, resilience, and countless moments of sudden understanding. Thank you, to the entire North Shore team for making this all possible.



Sally Huang (Scholarship Winner & GATE Winner)

Good evening esteemed teachers, students, and distinguished guests.

It is with the greatest pleasure that I share my journey at North Shore with you. Firstly, I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate all the students who have made it this far.

My name is Sally Huang, a Year 7 student currently attending Perth Modern School. I am privileged to be at Perth Modern School through the Gifted and Talented Selective Entrance Program (GATE) achieving a score of 295.41, and earned the highest score state wise in the test of *Communicating Ideas in Writing*.

Additionally, I have received academic scholarships to Methodist Ladies' College and Presbyterian Ladies' College, along with multiple academic awards during my primary school years.

The realization of attending the top high school in Western Australia seemed like an improbable dream for a girl like me. Yet, it became a reality, thanks to North Shore.

Reflecting on my primary school days, I now recognize the profound impact North Shore had on my academic journey. North Shore supported and accelerated me in so many ways, from the unique problem-solving questions to the wide variety of writing exercises.

Following in me and my older sister's footsteps, my younger brother is also studying at North shore, aspiring to join us at Perth Modern School. North Shore served as a gateway that led me to many other like-minded students who shared similar aspirations. Together, we pushed each other on, and our collective efforts showed, as evidenced by our commendable GATE scores.

There is no doubt that we will hear many more success stories in the years to come. As Nelson Mandela once said: "It always seems impossible until it's done." So, let's go and make the impossible possible together.

Thank you for your time, and I wish each of you a triumphant journey in your future.