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Tonight, we honour our 2014-2015 Governor General's Academic Medal Recipients.

I'd like to congratulate each of them on their tremendous individual accomplishments.

But let us make no mistake, these eight graduates of the Burnaby School District represent so much more than themselves.

They are role models for our younger students.

They are a credit to their schools.

A source of pride for their teachers.

A reflection of their families.

Ambassadors for our district.

Assets to our community.

And symbols of a public education system that uniquely nurtures both academic excellence and a social conscience.

Congratulations, and like the rest of us here tonight, I look forward to being a beneficiary of the amazing contributions that you will all make to Canada in the years to come.

Harman Pandher, Vice-Chair **Burnaby Board of Education**