

Greater New Bedford Voc-Tech High School Class of '22 Artisans ceremony

On June 3, 2022, Jeffery E. Riley Stadium at Greater New Bedford Voc-Tech was filled with family, friends and members of our school community as the Class of 2022 Artisans crossed the stage at our annual graduation ceremony.

The ceremony was opened with a beautiful rendition of the national anthem performed by Deysia Andrade, a member of the class of 2022.

The Mistresses of Ceremonies were the valedictorian, Abigail Borges and salutatorian, Kara Koska. Both remarked on the value of career and technical education and discussed their involvement in the school community throughout the years. In their remarks, they focused on the value that their education at Greater New Bedford Voc-Tech has afforded them.

The keynote address was delivered by Fairhaven Selectboard Chair, Stasia Powers. She expressed her wishes for the graduates, "May you have the confidence to always do your best. If you do the work, you will be rewarded. All you need to do is have the confidence to try. Look inside yourselves and find what makes your heart sing" she said.

In his welcome remarks, Superintendent Watson applauded the class of 2022 for their resilience in the face of adversity. "Reading, learning, and the relationships these artisans have built with one another are the tools that will build the foundation for everything they will do in their lives. Building this foundation has been nothing short of challenging" Mr. Watson remarked. He focused on how this particular class has overcome a myriad of challenges throughout their four years of high school as they had to

adapt with the pandemic. In his closing, Mr. Watson urged the students to “Embrace your experiences, challenge yourselves every day with all your heart.”

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