

## Iyari

Hello everyone, my name is Iyari Ramirez. I know it may come as a surprise that I am doing an 8th grade speech since I am new to Kelvin Grove school this year. Being a new student in 8th grade of all years obviously wasn't the easiest. Many of you have been together since elementary school and I thought I would just be just some random new kid. I was very hesitant on coming to KG when I first got enrolled, but this school has shown me that being a new student isn't as bad as I thought it would be. I thought this would be the worst experience of my life. I was in 7th grade at my old school, looking forward to all the exciting things that would await me in 8th grade. On the first day of school I was convinced I wouldn't like it, that I wouldn't fit in, and that it would be a waste of my time. However, Kelvin Grove has proved me wrong. I was proved wrong by the many people who have helped and guided me through the year. The teachers, our principal, and our amazing peers. Throughout my time at KG I even decided to try out for some sports thinking that it would make being a new student easier, so I joined track and volleyball. Through those sports I built bonds that I cherish very dearly, so thank you to everyone who was on my track and volleyball team and thank you to my coaches for proving that joining sports does make it easier to be a new student. As the year went on I realized that there were still many things that awaited me in 8th grade, just at a different school, and that's okay. KG really is an amazing school with many opportunities and I am very lucky for the honor of going to Kelvin Grove. KG hasn't only taught me things in an educational way either. KG has taught and shown me many things that will

prepare me for high school next year which has made going to high school less scary and less overwhelming. I wish the best of luck to all my peers while we all enter this new chapter in our lives. I hope we carry our friendships that we have made over the years or even this year onto high school next year. Now I would like to end my speech with a thank you to everyone and good luck. Congrats to everyone and their accomplishments this year. I look forward to seeing the many things you guys will achieve in high school and the many years to come. And to leave everything off with a quote, " Life moves pretty fast. If you don't stop and look around once in a while, you could miss it." - Ferris Bueller's Day Off