

Convocation
August 21, 2000

Prelude

Selected Mazurkas
Frederic Chopin

Drew Massey
1999 IMSA Graduate

Pledge of Allegiance

Pooja Agarwal
Student Council President

Welcome

Pooja Agarwal
Student Council President
Dr. Stephanie Pace Marshall
President
Eric McLaren
Principal

Musical Selection

First Barcarolle
Gabriel Fauré
Drew Massey

Keynote Speaker

John E. Turlais
1992 IMSA Graduate

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John Turlais graduated magna cum laude from Harvard University with a Bachelor of Arts degree in government. During his time at Harvard, John was awarded the Major League Baseball Scholarship, the John Harvard Scholarship for Highest Academic Achievement, the Allston Burr Prize, and the Mark DeWolfe Howe Civil Rights Award. His senior honors thesis on the modern-day Ku Klux Klan received the James Gordon Bennett Prize for best political science writing by a Harvard undergraduate. John was selected from IMSA as the 10th-round draft pick of the Pittsburgh Pirates. His contract was structured to allow him to attend Harvard University each fall and return to professional baseball in the spring. After retiring from baseball in 1997, John co-authored "The Harvard Entrepreneur's Guide to Starting Your Own Business" which received USA Today's commendation as one of the best small business books of 1999. That same year, John and Richard Lee, IMSA Class of 1992, started ProjectLearn, a program that offers free seminars to rural high school students on how to study more efficiently and take tests more effectively. Currently, John is working with Littauer Investments as the senior investment analyst and will be attending Yale Law School in the fall of 2000.