Good evening and welcome fellow graduates, faculty, administration, friends and family. What a wonderful night this is for all of us. I am especially excited this is a long time coming for me. When I was asked if I would be a part of this ceremony I Was truly honored, and a little nervous. First I would like to thank everyone here at tri- community adult school without them it would not be possible for any of us to be here graduating tonight. As we leave here tonight some of us will go to college others will take the summer off or some will get jobs and start to be productive in our communities whatever you choose to do. You will be able to do it with a sense of confidence. I think confidence is very important to our lives. I found that out when I wanted to get a better job. Everything that we have learned here we will take with us and apply it in our lives. Give each experience all your attention. Do one thing at a time Try to resist being distracted by other sights and sounds, other thoughts and tasks, and when it is, guide your mind back to what you're doing." thanks to all the teachers in the studies lab they got a lot of us thru many subjects what incredible teachers thank you and to Mr. Swift and Mr. Brown we will all have a better chance next time we apply for a job. I’ve enjoyed both of your classes everyone here has made learning a joy. I hope that I can inspire some of those that think that they cannot do this. if you really want something and put your mind to it. Take action. Every story you've ever connected with, every leader you've ever admired, every puny little thing that you've ever accomplished is the result of taking action. You have a choice. You can either be a passive victim of circumstance or you can be the active hero of your own life. You can achieve anything. So dream big and follow your passions I have been able to work and go to school in the evening thanks to my family and the support that they have given me. I think it is never too late to start making the right decision’s after all the decisions that we make will affect our lives in the near future so I encourage all of you tonight don’t just settle for that medium ocher job go out there get educated and be whatever you want to be we live in a country were opportunity is red idly available to those that want it. There are programs to help with our schooling every little bit helps. also I want to address how important keeping these schools funded to give others the same opportunity to further their education I know they struggle every school year to get the funding that is necessary to stay open so next time you see a measure on the ballet to help keep them funded I ask you to make a difference let’s keep our schools funded. I want to end my speech with a quote from Abraham Lincoln he said the best way to predict your future is to create it! Thank you.