

## Raamis Shazlee Muhammad – 2023 Speaker

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Good morning Mr. Ng, parents, teachers and guests. My name is Muhammad Raamis Shazlee and I would like to thank Northshore for making all my dreams come true; a top score in GATE which led to me being accepted by Perth Modern School and acquire a top score in the HAST (higher ability selection test) leading to me getting a scholarship for Carey Baptist College. Before I begin I would like to congratulate all of you here today, it has probably been a long journey for you guys to end up where you have.

When I first came to Northshore in year 2, I was clueless and I have to say, I didn't want to be there. Waking up every Sunday morning to spend three hours at a tuition that was harder than my usual school homework and doing homework that took me days to finish, it just wasn't my thing back then. One day my teacher handed me my homework back, I looked through the booklet and then I stopped at one page, my eyes lit up as a smile summoned on my face: in the booklet was my first ever certificate. From the next year onwards I aimed for certificates and then I started to see the good grades coming my way. I started understanding each and every topic, acing every single exam I got from both school and Northshore. Northshore helped me to develop skills in different areas of learning such as math and English.

Northshore put great effort and hard work into teaching each and every student to push them past their limits and enhance skills. They make you put in your best in everything you do. This makes you more satisfied when you receive a certificate as you know your hard work has paid off. This encourages students to push harder in their studies and homework, developing an interest in your thirst for knowledge.

I would like to thank my family and friends who helped me to persevere through the long journey to success and the amazing Northshore staff for teaching me such a variety of different topics leading me to the high school I dreamt of going to. It is like climbing a mountain; there are lots ups and downs but if you believe in yourself you'll persevere and once you reached the top you'll surprise yourself by realising how much you have achieved. As young people when it comes to education we must take every opportunity for us to progress in this world or our future will be taken from us.

Thank you for listening to my speech,