



Class of 2013 graduates from McPherson High

The McPherson High School class of 2013 was showered with cheers, applause and advice during graduation ceremonies Saturday.



Featured speaker Todd Huston holds up his prosthetic leg during graduation Saturday. He used his story of endurance and determination to encourage the class of 2013 that they can overcome any obstacles in their future.



Page 2 of 2 - "The idea was to encourage everyone that we all have this strength within us," he said. "Whatever challenges you may have ... you can overcome if those challenges. You are living proof of it. You have overcome it. As leaders, you're now going to be the ones changing the world."

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Huston used his life story to share nuggets of life advice for the graduates. For example, he once thought would never walk again.

"There's going to be times when you're going to go through something that is really tough, and it's going to feel like an eternity when you take each one of those steps" he said. "But don't ever give up. ... Some of those battles are going to last a long time, but whether it's short or long, you have everything it takes in you to overcome."

He stressed life is not about making mistakes, but getting up every time one falls. And it's also about what's in their hearts.



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"You have no idea how big your life might turn out," he said. "But it's not going to be measured by whether or not you're the richest or the smartest or the greatest. Measure it by those things that really matter. Do you have love in your life? Do you love others? Do you have peace in your life? Do you have joy? Measure your wealth by what's in your heart and what you're able to give to the hearts of others."

The MHS class of 2013, he said, has many opportunities to do this.

"You have unlimited potential," he said. "Yes, you have accomplished a lot, and that's why you're sitting here today. But you have not accomplished anything compared to what you're capable of accomplishing during the rest of your life."

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