



Love is in the air and everyone's inhaling

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Imagine a red rose petal path trailing your walkway as you enter a house filled with darkness, except for that solitary candle on the floor.

There lies a note: "Follow the yellow brick road to get your Valentine's Day surprise."

As you stand there in confusion, you notice a trail of candles leading up the stairs.

As you take the last step you notice there are no more candles, no more yellow brick road...nowhere to go.

Suddenly, you hear the sound of the softest, sweetest music. You follow the precious words to where you believe your Valentine's Day surprise may be and you feel they are dragging you towards your own bedroom.

A luscious spread of roses has overtaken the blanket on your bed, and near the headboard of the bed you see a note.

"Seven o'clock at the place we shared our first kiss. Dress warmly 'cause it could be cold."

Romantic, right?

Everyone enjoys the thought and feel of romance.

We think of February for really one thing and one thing alone, and

that's Valentine's Day, February 14. This holiday is the date on which all of our romantic tendencies go into overdrive and everyone gets a little mushy.

The mushiness factor hasn't escaped the students at RCHS.



When the student body was asked what they thought was romantic, some ideas were a little more elaborate than others.

Senior Brittney Owens thought that receiving a yellow rose would be romantic because her favorite color is yellow.

"I would buy a dozen roses, a big box of candy in a heart shaped box, and a large teddy bear and take it to her," Josh Mullins, grinned as he flowed with overpowering love for his crush.

David Rowe, however would like a simple Valentine's Day "I'd like to be surprised with soft music and candle light to see with: I'd like to spend time with the one I love just talking."

As you can see the ideals of romance among the students are all different, but one thing remains the same... Love is in the air and everyone's been bit by...the Love Bug.

Feature

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To Jason

"Hey sweetie! I love you! Happy Valentine's Day!"

Love Tasha

To Joe

"My birthday is definitely cooler than yours, but I still hope you have a happy birthday."

From Lindsey

To Tim Tyler

"I really, really, really, dislike you, but I do love Joe."

From Tara Thompson

To Allison Anderkin

"You're cute but I'm cuter."

From Me

To Rachel Childress

"I love you so very much. Happy Valentine's Day!"

From Wesley Falin

To Tanner Abney

"I want you!"

From Allison Anderkin

To Brad Wesley

"I think about you all the time... in so many ways."

From Jamie Ormella

To Heather Pingleton

"I love you so much. Happy Valentine's Day!"

From Aaron Mobley

To Chris Kirby

"To the times we've shared and the many to come."

From Kirby Mink

To Chris H. Cromer

"I love you very much and I hope you have a happy V-Day!"

From Megan Dyer

To Jessica Louisa

"I know I make you mad with all the little things I do, but I'm truly sorry and I really love you."

From Jarrod Burdette

To Rachelle Hammond

"Doll, you are my world, my life. You are the air I breathe, so please don't suffocate me!"

From Chris Parsons

To Tummy Dees

"I've known you for a long time and I want to ask you, will you go out with me?"

From Caleb Blair

To Ms. Stephanie Hammack

"You're the best teacher I ever had. I enjoy being in your class."

From Granville Graves

To Amber Thacker

"We all need to get together Mary Suzie and Jane."

From Josh Taylor

To Joelle Clark

"Happy Birthday Joelle! I bought you a hot pocket. We've been through a lot lately, good times and bad, but in the end you're still my best friend and I still owe you some 'Thank You's'."

From Holli Best

To Joe, Billy, Row, Jarrod

"I love all you guys!"

From Amber Bobo

To Josh Taylor

"You chased me forever, and I'm glad that I finally gave in! I thank God every day that he brought us together again! You're a sexy man, sweetie!"

From Amber Thacker

To Kayla

"I love you very much and I will love you always and forever."

Love Robert

To Katy Powell

"Konit."

From Brandon

To Aaron

"Happy Valentine's, and three year anniversary. Love you always."

From Heather

To Everybody

"My senior year is almost over so I'm going to take up as much room as possible. Happy birthday Lindsey P. and Billy H. and Joe C. Also Cathie is great and has sexy arms. Jarrod is the greatest guy ever."

Love Heath Payne

To Rachel Childress

"I have been in love with you since you were in the 7th grade. I'm afraid to confront you with my true feelings. Happy Valentine's Day!"

Love, your one true love

To Alicia Nicely

"I think you're really beautiful and sweet."

From your Secret Admirer

To All of my friends

"It's my senior year and next year I'll be gone! I know all of you will miss me but don't worry, I won't forget you! Just remember my smiling face :) God bless you all and remember I love ya!"

Love Brit

To Max

"Ich hoffe Du weisst, dass ich Dich sehr liebe, und jeden Tag im Gedanken bei Dir bin. Frohen Valentinstag!"

In Liebe Martina

To Elizabeth

"I'm so lucky to have a sweet and beautiful girlfriend like you! I love you always."

From Chaz

To Nathan Anglin

"I love you with all my heart. You are my everything and you make me so happy! I can't wait to be your wife! Happy V-Day."

Love you, Amy

To Eric

"You are my everything! You are the reason I wake up in the morning. I love you with all of my heart!"

Love Kayla

To my little girl

"The last few months I've been in Heaven, and you've been my angel. You've lifted me into the sky and I have seen the stars in your eyes. I really care about you and 'us.' I hope we spend next V-Day together and more to come."

From Clell Swinney

To Steve, Andrea, and Matthew

"I love you! You make my life more meaningful than I ever imagined!"

From "Darlin' Person" / Mommy

To The Senior Class

"Thanks to each of you for making life at school interesting. Each of you has a special talent; find it and pursue it!"

From Ms. G. Mrs. Gonzalez-Burdine

To Crystal Smith

"Words can't express the feelings that I have for you."

From David Rowe

To Martina

"Thanks for coming to Fayette Mall and Panera Bread with me all those times and listening to my schriels about you-know-who, regardless of how confused you were!"

Friends Forever, Tara Cox

To my Favorite Barbados Accent

"Joe, thanks for being Tituba in the play. You're my favorite student."

From Ms. Cornelius

To Lindsey Parsons

"Happy Birthday, even if I'm older than you, and I spent \$2 on this. I guess you're worth it."

From Joe C.

To Lindsey

"Stop playing games with my heart, because you're leaving it black and blue. And that's no lie."

Love B.L.

To Brent and Thomas

"Brent, every day we're together is like Valentine's Day. Thank you for being such a great boyfriend. A special Happy Valentine's Day to my sunshine, Thomas. Happy first V-Day!"

Love Always Melissa

To Jessica

"You are my heart and soul; my everything. You are why I wake up in the morning."

Love Billy

To Cathie

"Please just talk to me. I'll stop stalking you and I'll quit with the lame pick-up lines. You're the only one I want. Could you please drop the restraining order?"

Love Warren

To Danny McKinney

"1,000,019 hugs and kisses. Happy Valentine's Day!"

Your loving wife, B.J. McKinney

To Ashley Mink

"When God created you, he made you for me. You don't know me, but someday you'll see maybe it can be you and me."

Love Someone Special

To Gabe Kinderknecht

"The last three months have been amazing! Everything that I have ever wanted, I have found in you. Happy Valentine's Day, pimp."

Love always, Tara Cox

To Chaz

"I'm so lucky to have a sweet and handsome boyfriend like you! I love you always!"

From Elizabeth

To Aaron

"Hey sweetie! I love you more! Just thought I'd remind you of that one. Happy Valentine's Day!"

Love Nikki

To Mikey, John, Katy, and Tracy

"This goes to us. We love ourselves. We just thought we would remind ourselves that we're the bomb. Happy Birthday Lindsey."

To David

"If I could be anything, I'd want to be a tear, so I could be born in your eyes, live on your cheeks, and die on your lips. Happy Valentine's Day!"

Love Crystal Smith

To Amanda Rogers

"I think you're the phattest person at our school."

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