



*Meharry Medical College
School of Dentistry
White Coat Ceremony*

Dental Class of 2025

Dental Class of 2024

International Dental Class of 2023

International Dental Class of 2022

Cal Turner Ballroom

27 August 2021 • 1:30pm-4:30pm

Program

Processional

Class of 2025 and Class of 2024
International Class of 2022 and International Class of 2023

Presiding

Valencia McShan, DDS, MA
Assistant Dean, Student Affairs

Invocation

Robin H. Kimbrough, JD, MDiv
Chaplain and Special Advisor to the President
for United Methodist Church Affairs

Greetings

James E.K. Hildreth, PhD, MD
President and Chief Executive Officer
Meharry Medical College

Cherae Farmer-Dixon, DDS, MSPH, MBA, FACD, FICD,
Dean, School of Dentistry

Andrea Hayes, MA, CAE
Executive Director, Tennessee Dental Association

Anthony Carroccia, DDS, MAGD, ABGD
Trustee, Tennessee Dental Association

Occasion

Valencia McShan, DDS, MA
Assistant Dean, Student Affairs

Presentation of White Coats and Dental Oath

Gerald Davis, DDS, MA
Associate Dean, Academic Affairs

Words of Wisdom

Jasmine Clyde, President, Class of 2022
Alexandria Cobb, Vice President, Class of 2022

Closing Remarks

Dean Farmer-Dixon

Benediction

Robin H. Kimbrough, JD, MDiv

Recessional

Dental Class of 2025

Micah Armstrong
Marcello Baptiste
Monica Bean
Matthew Beard
Dorothy Beauzil
Zoe Beckworth
Christian Boone
Larekia Brown
Phillip Brownlee
Jacob Carter
Charlie Cook
Amber Cooke
Alexis Copeland
Alicia Cumberlander
Micheal Curry
Joshua Delaney
Ryan Elliott
Kayla Ellis
Danielle Epps
Ivey Frazier
Michael George
Heaven Graham
Aaliyah Gray
Aerial Griffin
Kristin Hall
Destiny Harris
Mariam Hawaz
Janika James
Chaunice Johnson
Karmen Jones
Lauren Jordan
Kandyce Kirt
Alan Lee
David Lyons Jr
Osrica Alva Persis Mclean
Orlyne Megouang Fah
Helana Mikhaeil
Jerome Neal
Philip Nguyen
Onyeka Oguagha
Michael Okoro
Raena Patterson
Alyse Pearson-Bryant
Newton Perez
Cherrelle Perkins
Jada Pierre
Avona Rios
Dilan Rutland
Jodine Seide
Taylor Shaw
Brooklyn Sims
Kristin Smith
Taylor Swett
Erika Taylor
Gregory Taylor
Tamera Thomas
Nathalie Tombo
Tina Tran
Faren White
Louis Williams
She'Neka Williams

Dental Class of 2024

Tara Abbott	Brianna Jones
Amanda Adams	Julian Jones
Azizat Adediran	Marrisa Lee
Blossom Amechi	Paris Little
Ayuong Arop	Kaitlyn Logan
Mallori Ashford	Cameron Mahone
Keyshawn Astin	Jasmine Marks
Beshoy Aziz	Michael McKinnie
De'Quincy Bingham	Ashleigh McQuirter
Destini Black	Michala Mercer
Kayla Brown	Kareem Moustafa
Shamika Bryson-McAuley	Vivian Nelson
Dontrell Carpenter	Sheream Reed
Lashunda Collins	Melissa Romain
Kayla Copeland	Amiin Samatar
Teosha Craighead	Selvia Sargious
Alexis Culton	Jonathan Seay
Lauren Davis	Adeoluwa Sijuwola
Victoria Davis	Jazmine Stubblefield
Cadette Deneville	Lauryn Taylor
Marlene Dontsop	Shavon Tucker
C'Vaeo Edwards	Dean Turner Jr.
Christine Estimé	Anjelica Tyrell
Cameryn Faulkner	Iyamilet Vargas Alvarez
Lauren Gaddis	Bianca Vekima
Alicia Guy	Jazmyne Walker
Jarrett Harper	Malik Walters
Savanna Harrison	Jeremiah Warren
Faraj Hasan	Robert White
Aisha Jenkins	Nyle Wilson
Megan Johnson	Munira Yusuf

International Dental Class of 2023

Idil Abdullahi Farah Asseyr
Larimar Gonzalez
Poornima Gopalakrishnan
Rupinder Heir
Kamalpreet Khinda
Palak Kothia
Anoop Nandanoor
Krishna Patel
Alci Rodriguez Fernandez
Aditi Sheth

International Dental Class of 2022

Sadaf Ahmed
Ahmed Albayatti
Archana Avhale
Swati Bisht
Rani Devi
Sarah Elamin
Rima Gandhi
Amrit Pal
Hiren Patel
Alina Rayamajhi

Dental Oath of Commitment

I, (student state name) as a new member of the Meharry Medical College family, will accept the responsibilities and opportunities that have been afforded to me as a dental student.

I understand that my primary responsibility as a dental student is to obtain all knowledge and experiences of the academic program that are presented to me. I pledge to learn all that I can and to be completely prepared for all classes and examinations at all times.

I accept the challenge to strive for superior excellence didactically.

I will respect my fellow classmates, faculty, and staff and the administration. I ask that my classmates be attentive to my well-being as I will be to theirs. I acknowledge my obligation to support and sustain the honor and integrity of the profession. I will present myself as a professional at all times, both in and outside of the academic environment. I will live out the student honor code throughout my dental matriculation, understanding that this is preparing me for the health professional that I am training to be.

Now being admitted to the family of dentistry, I pledge myself to the service of humanity, my patients, my community, and my future profession. I will use my skills to serve all in need, with openness of spirit and without bias. The health and well-being of my patients will be my first consideration.

All this I pledge with pride in my commitment to the profession and as a Meharry Medical College, School of Dentistry student.

I take this oath freely and upon my honor.

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Keeping Healthcare Human

Meharry Medical College, School of Dentistry gratefully acknowledges the Arnold P. Gold Foundation for its support of this White Coat Ceremony. The Arnold P. Gold Foundation has generously provided each dental student with a “Humanism ” label pin.

The Gold Foundation logo featuring a golden Mobius loop which symbolizes the continuous bond of trust, respect and communication that connects healthcare professionals with their patients when humanism is at the core of healthcare.



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