

# WE ARE RESILIENT

## Meharry Medical College: School of Dentistry

### HIGHLIGHTS

#### ANNUAL EVENTS

Beyond the Clinics:  
Business Symposium

Vendor Fair

#### DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION

#MORELikeMe

#### WELLNESS

Mile-A-Day  
Zoom Yoga Sculpt  
Healthy Recipes

#### ADVOCACY

Debate Watch  
Election Voting Raffle

#### PRE-DENTAL

Mock Interviews  
WYD Wednesdays

#### VIRTUAL ENGAGEMENT

\$10 on the 10th  
Canned Food Drive



#### BEYOND THE CLINICS: BUSINESS SYMPOSIUM

President-Elect Aparecio Peggins hosted our 2nd annual symposium on Zoom for fifty-three attendees that highlighted eleven speakers, bringing expertise spanning corporate dentistry, public health dentistry, military dentistry, and financial advising.

#### CANNED FOOD DRIVE

Community Service Chairs Shineille Blair and Khori-Ann Willis joined forces with Nashville's Second Harvest Food Bank to provide meals for the Nashville community. Our chapter was able to raise \$350 to help these families during the Thanksgiving holiday season.

#### DEBATE WATCH

Legislative Liaisons Kyle Nwankwo and Matthew Spann organized and hosted a virtual presidential debate watching session through Zoom. Students were able to watch the presidential debate together and engage in conversation surrounding current political issues.

#### ELECTION VOTING RAFFLE

Legislative Liaisons Kyle Nwankwo and Matthew Spann organized a raffle in which students could enter by posting a picture of themselves voting on social media and tagging Meharry ASDA. This encouraged students to not only vote, but be proud of their ability to vote and be politically active.

#### #MORELIKEME

Diversity and Inclusion Chair Rachel Jackson started a Diversity Month social media initiative to highlight the diversity in the ASDA community. Events included "Diversity Bingo" in which participants shared what makes them unique, and "Diversity Drills" in which quiz questions were posted to educate the ASDA community. These posts were shared by two other districts and reposted forty-eight times by students across four districts. Students were also encouraged to post about what makes them special and use #MoreLikeMe to emphasize the importance of inclusivity.

#### MOCK INTERVIEWS

Pre-Dental Chairs Kadajah Smith and Oscar Carter invited students to join in on ASDA Fever Week to receive hands on interview experience. An administrative representative hosted an information/Q&A session, and eleven pre-dental students were able to participate in mock interviews with current Meharry students.

#### VENDOR FAIR

Vendor Fair Chairs Joseph Humphries and Keisha Brady hosted this year's fair via Zoom with six vendors catering to over one hundred participants. These vendors donated supplies that were assembled by the executive board and distributed to the students beforehand.

#### WELLNESS MONTH

Wellness Chairs Brandon Davison and Gamaelle Tellus organized activities for Wellness Month to emphasize the importance of staying healthy in the midst of the pandemic. Events included: Mile-A-Day challenge in which students logged miles walked or run for a chance to win a gift card, Zoom Yoga Sculpt class, and sharing healthy recipes on Instagram.

#### "WYD WEDNESDAYS"

Pre-Dental Chairs Kadajah Smith and Oscar Carter utilized our Instagram presence to host several live videos throughout the year to discuss topics ranging from DAT prep to life as a dental student, and any questions the attendees had. Each sessions hosted around twenty-five attendees.

#### \$10 ON THE 10TH

Communication Chair Adrienne Hoffman utilized Instagram to post quizzes once a month to encourage interaction with our virtual community. Each quiz averaged 100 participants and served to either educate or incorporate a current event/initiative.