To the members of the Dental Classes of 2024 and 2025; and special guests attending the Penn Dental White Coat Ceremony:

We look forward to welcoming you to campus and sharing in this momentous celebration. This annual tradition for incoming students of Penn Dental Medicine to accept their white coats is symbolic of their commitment to the practice of dentistry and the profession’s inherent responsibilities.

In order to protect one another as well as the communities we serve, we share a collective responsibility to protect ourselves and each other from the spread of COVID-19. As such, there are important requirements all students, faculty, staff, and guests must comply to prior to arriving on campus as well as before entering this event:

1. **Upload Proof of Vaccination.**
   
   Due to the significant prevalence of the highly contagious Delta variant, Penn Dental Medicine is requiring proof of vaccination for all guests attending the White Coat Ceremony prior to arrival. Anyone unable to show proof of vaccination will not be allowed to attend in-person or allowed to enter Penn Dental Medicine. To be considered FULLY vaccinated, you MUST have received your last dose of vaccine at least 2 weeks prior to your arrival at Penn Dental Medicine.

   **Upload proof of vaccination here >>**

   **IMPORTANT:** This form **must** be completed for each guest attending the 2021 White Coat Ceremony before **Monday, August 9**. Students will be allowed to pick up tickets for their guests who have completed the form beginning Tuesday, August 10. Live stream service will be provided of the Ceremony here.

2. **Complete a PennOpen Pass.**

   PennOpen Pass must be completed the day of the event prior to arrival on campus. PennOpen Pass is a daily symptom tracker designed to reduce the risk of COVID-19 spreading within the Penn community. The screening will generate either a Green Pass required to enter University buildings, or a Red Pass which advises the individual to seek care from a health care provider.

   **All guests** should scan the QR code located at the end of this message or visit pennopen.med.upenn.edu/campus to get started and be cleared to attend.

   **All students**, faculty, and staff should visit pennopen.med.upenn.edu/users/sign_in.

3. **Wear a Mask.**

   Masks are required to enter Penn Dental Medicine as well as to enter the Annenberg Center for all individuals 2 years of age and older regardless of vaccination status. Masks are required while seated in the theater for the duration of the White Coat Ceremony and may only be removed once outside.
Please be advised, we will be hosting two ceremonies this year which will run in succession beginning with the Class of 2024 at 1:00 PM and the Class of 2025 at 3:00 PM. Doors will open 30-minutes prior to the start of each ceremony; tickets and masks are required to enter.

All guests, faculty, and staff must enter via the side entrance at 37th & Walnut. Students will be directed to a separate entrance on Walnut Street.

For guests new to campus, the Annenberg Center is located at 3680 Walnut Street, Philadelphia. For accommodations for individuals with physical disabilities including location of an ADA accessible entrance, please contact the Debra Mancinelli at roused@upenn.edu or 215-898-8940.

For friends, families, and guests unable to attend in-person, live simulcasts of both White Coat Ceremonies will be available at www.dental.upenn.edu/whitecoat2021.

Scan Before You Go!

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