

Alma Mater

Alma mater,
wise and glorious,

Child of Light
and bride of truth;

Over fate and foe
victorious,

Dowered with eternal
youth;

Crowned with love
of son and daughter,

Thou shalt conquer
as of yore.

Dear old Pittsburgh,
Alma Mater,

God preserve Thee
evermore!

The Dental Oath

I, realizing the privileges and opportunities that will be given to me in my study of the arts and sciences of dentistry and appreciating the significance of the dental diploma to be conferred upon me, do hereby willingly pledge:

That I will diligently uphold the dignity, honor and objectives of the dental profession and, to the best of my ability, will contribute to its prestige, proficiency, and progress;

That I solemnly accept my responsibility to the patients to give them the best of my knowledge and skill, and to maintain an impeccable relationship with them that will warrant their trust and confidence; That I will faithfully observe the principles of ethics set forth by the profession;

That I will lend my influence and support to dental education, to organized dentistry, and to all segments of the profession which contribute to the fulfillment of its purpose.

The Dental Hygiene Oath

In my practice as a dental hygienist, I affirm my personal and professional commitment to improve the oral health of the public, to advance the art and science of dental hygiene, and to promote high standards of quality care.

I pledge continually to improve my professional knowledge and skills, to render a full measure of service to each patient entrusted to my care, and to uphold the highest standards of professional competence and personal conduct in the interests of the dental hygiene profession and the public it serves.

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