

# **Ninth Fall Commencement**

December 6-7, 2023

Macon Campus

Recreation and Wellness Center

# CONFERRING OF DEGREES

# Wednesday, December 6

# 12:30<sub>PM</sub> Ceremony

### School of Business

Department of Accounting & Finance

Department of Health Service Administration

Department of Management & Marketing

# 4:00pm Ceremony

### School of Health & Natural Sciences

Department of Natural Sciences

Department of Nursing

Department of Rehabilitation Science & Fitness

Department of Respiratory Therapy & Health Science

# **Thursday, December 7**

# 9:00<sub>AM</sub> Ceremony

### School of Education & Behavioral Sciences

Department of Education & Social Work

Department of Political Science

Department of Psychology & Criminal Justice

### School of Arts & Letters

Department of Media, Culture, & The Arts

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#### School of Computing

Department of Information Technology

Department of Mathematics & Statistics

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Department of History

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### School of Aviation

Department of Air Traffic Management

Department of Aviation Maintenance & Structural Technology

Department of Aviation Science & Management

# MESSAGE TO THE GRADUATES



# Christopher Blake, Ph.D. President of Middle Georgia State University

Dear Graduates,

As we come together to celebrate the Middle Georgia State University Fall Class of 2023, I extend my wholehearted congratulations to all of you. This day is the culmination of your individual journeys, each marked by unique experiences and challenges.

Your presence here serves as a testament not only to your personal achievements but also to the collective support and care of those who have played a vital role in your success. It is through the strength of community that we, as Knights, truly thrive, and I encourage you to savor this moment of shared celebration.

I am grateful you chose Middle Georgia State University as your university. It is my hope that you will remain committed to MGA's core values — Stewardship, Engagement, Adaptability, and Learning — as guiding principles on your journey through the everevolving path of life.

You now join 44,000+ alumni, and I invite you to remain engaged with the Alumni Association. Remember that the connections you have formed with your fellow students and faculty can be an enduring source of support. The words of our Alma Mater, "With boundless possibilities and the lessons of the past, we sons and daughters of MGA, our friendships ever last," eloquently reflect the enduring bonds you have formed here.

Achieving the milestone of graduation signifies that you, as Knights, have been equipped with the skills and knowledge to make a positive impact within your communities. I join with the entire MGA family in looking forward to seeing you make your mark on the world.

Godspeed,

Christopher Blake, Ph.D.

President, Middle Georgia State University

DECEMBER 6TH, 12:30PM CEREMONY



# Mrs. Gwen Collins President and CEO, Collins Manufacturing Company

As president and owner of Collins Manufacturing Company in Macon, Gwen Collins is involved in day-to-day operations of the business.

In 2006, she and her husband, Larry, who is vice president of the company, purchased Greene Machine & Manufacturing, Inc. (founded in 1982 and known as GMM). Under their ownership, GMM is doing business as Collins Manufacturing Company.

Services provided by Collins Manufacturing include precision computer numerical control (CNC) machining, precision sheet metal, certified welding, engineering services, assemblies, and laser tracking.

Customers of the woman-owned small business include commercial interests and military.

In 2020, Collins added two manufacturing facilities on Lower Boundary Street in Macon, formerly Steel Services, and the following year acquired another location on Avondale Mill Road, formerly Schwartz Precision Manufacturing, also in Macon.

Collins earned an engineering-biomedical degree from Mercer University in 1998. Before acquiring the company, she worked as a software engineer at Robins Air Force Base for 13 years.

DECEMBER 6TH, 4:00PM CEREMONY



# Mr. Don Avery President and CEO, Fairview Park Hospital

Donald R. Avery, FACHE (Fellow of the American College of Healthcare Executives), has served as president and CEO of Fairview Park Hospital since 2008. He is responsible for the management and day-to-day operations of the 190-bed facility located in Dublin, Georgia.

During his tenure, the hospital has earned recognition and awards for safety and quality outcomes and has successfully recruited more than 50 new physicians to the community to ensure better access to care.

Prior to serving in this role, Avery was the CEO of the Hughston Orthopedic Hospital in Columbus, senior vice president at Columbus Regional Health System, and the chief

operating officer at South Georgia Medical Center in Valdosta.

After graduating from the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Avery served in the Air Force as a pilot, instructor pilot, and operations officer for six years. He later enrolled in the University of Florida, earning master's degrees in business administration and health science.

He is extensively engaged in his community, serving on and chairing multiple local boards and in his church as a deacon and teacher. He is actively involved with the American College of Healthcare Executives (ACHE) as a faculty member, and he is a past member of its Board of Governors and Council of Regents.

He is a past president and board member of the Georgia ACHE and a board member of the Alliant Health Group. He also serves as an adjunct faculty member at Creighton University in Omaha, Nebraska, in the Executive MBA program. He is a past chair of the board of trustees of the Georgia Hospital Association (GHA).

DECEMBER 7th, 9:00am CEREMONY



# Dr. Cassandra Miller-Washington Director of Career, Technical, and Agricultural Education Bibb County Public Schools

Dr. Cassandra Miller-Washington began her K-12 educational journey in the Bibb County Public School System in 1999. Because of her tenacity and diligence, she has served in the following positions: technology director for Edison Schools; Career, Technical, and Agriculture Education (CTAE) instructor (Northeast and Central high schools); and CTAE instructional coach. She was appointed CTAE supervisor for Central, Southwest, Westside, and Howard high schools in 2009 and CTAE director in December 2012.

During her career as technology director for Edison Schools, Dr. Miller-Washington was named Technology Start-Up Director of the Year.

Additionally, during her teaching career, she was named Teacher of the Year for Northeast Health Science Magnet High School and Georgia TAPP Ambassador by Georgia Professional Standards Commission. She is a graduate of the Bibb County Teacher and Administrator Leadership Academy.

Also, she received numerous Golden Apple Awards from the Central High School Honor Graduates. The Golden Apple Award is given to teachers who have made significant contributions to the achievement of those students.

She also was named the 2014 Georgia Career Technical Agriculture Director of the Year.

Dr. Miller-Washington received a bachelor of science from Tuskegee University, an MBA from Mercer University, and a doctorate in Educational Leadership from Capella University.

DECEMBER 7th, 12:30pm CEREMONY



# Brigadier General Jon A. Eberlan Commander, Warner Robins Air Logistics Complex Robins Air Force Base

As Commander, at the Warner Robins Air Logistics Complex, Robins Air Force Base, Brig. Gen. Jon A. Eberlan serves a world-class workforce of more than 7,200 personnel. The complex performs programmed depot maintenance and modification on all variants of the F-15, C-130, C-5, C-17, and special operations forces aircraft as well as the RQ-4, E8C, and TH-1H.

Additionally, he is responsible for the maintenance, repair, and overhaul of diverse aircraft components, avionics, and electronic warfare equipment along with development and sustainment of missions-critical software, test program sets, and automated test equipment.

Brig. Gen. Eberlan enlisted in the Air Force in 1990 and earned his commission as a distinguished graduate of Officer Training School in August 1998. He has commanded at the squadron, group, and wing levels. He also has served in key major command, Air Staff and joint duty positions.

Among his degrees are a bachelor of science in business management from Park College, a master of science in logistics management from the Air Force Institute of Technology, a Top-third Graduate of Squadron Officer School from Maxwell Air Force Base, a master of military operational art and science from Air Command and Staff College, a master of science in National Resource Strategy from Dwight D. Eisenhower School at Fort Lesley J. McNair, and a Military Fellow from the Council of Foreign Relations.

His assignments include Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas; Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, Arizona; Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio; Langley Air Force Base, Virginia; Seymour Johnson Air Force Base, North Carolina; Allied Air Component Command Headquarters, Izmir, Turkey; Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama; Joint Base Elmendor-Richardson, Alaska; U.S. Air Force Headquarters, the Pentagon, Virginia; the Office of Security Cooperation, United States Embassy, Baghdad, Iraq; and Al Udeid Air Base, Qatar.

In 2020, he served as a Military Fellow on the Council of Foreign Relations in New York City. In 2021, he served as the Director of Budget Programs and Deputy Assistant Secretary for Budget in the Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Financial Management and Comptroller at the Pentagon.

His major awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit with oak leaf cluster; the Defense Meritorious Service Medal; the Meritorious Service Medal with five oak leaf clusters; the Joint Service Commendation Medal; the Air Force Commendation Medal with three oak leaf clusters; and the Air Force Achievement Medal with two oak leaf clusters.

DECEMBER 7th, 4:00pm CEREMONY



# Colonel Sheldon B. Wilson Commander, 165<sup>th</sup> Airlift Wing Georgia Air National Guard

Colonel Sheldon B. Wilson is the Commander of the 165th Airlift Wing, Georgia Air National Guard, Savannah. As the commander, he provides leadership to more than 1,400 Airmen organized across four Groups and two geographically separated units, the 224th Joint Communication Support Squadron in Brunswick and the 117th Air Control Squadron at Hunter Army Airfield, Georgia. He helps ensure the Wing and its Airmen are trained and equipped to support domestic operations and overseas missions at a moment's notice.

Colonel Wilson enlisted in the Air Force Reserves in 1993 as a medical technician, Joint Base Charleston, South Carolina. Upon graduation from The Citadel, he was recruited as an Air

Battle Manager with the 117th Air Control Squadron, Savannah. After being commissioned, he was assigned to a two-year tour as an executive officer with the National Guard Bureau; Command, Control, Communications, Airspace, and Ranges Branch, Joint Base Andrews, Maryland.

During his tour, he was selected for a mobility pilot position with the 165th Airlift Wing. He entered undergraduate pilot training in 2000 and earned his wings in 2002 at Columbus Air Force Base, Mississippi.

Within four months of returning to the 165th Airlift Wing, he deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. Over the next 18 years, he deployed nine times in support of Operations Iraqi Freedom, Enduring Freedom, Freedom Sentinel, and Inherent Resolve.

Colonel Wilson has also deployed in support of the European Command as a Detachment Commander for the Air Reserve Component to manage C-130 operations. In 2019 he became the 165th Operations Group Commander. Prior to assuming his current position, he served as the Vice Commander, 116th Air Control Wing, Robins Air Force Base, where he was responsible for assisting the commander with the worldwide employment of the E-8C Joint Surveillance Target Attack Radar System aircraft.

He has a bachelor's degree in biology from The Citadel, South Carolina; Intermediate Development Course, Joint Base Andrews, Maryland; Air Command and Staff College, by correspondence, Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama; and Air War College, by correspondence, Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama.

Among his major awards and decorations are Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters; Air Medal with five oak leaf clusters; Air Force Commendation Medal; Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with Valor Device with oak leaf cluster; Combat Readiness Medal with four oak leaf clusters; National Defense Service Medal; Afghanistan Campaign Medal with oak leaf cluster; Iraq Campaign Medal with oak leaf cluster; Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal; and Humanitarian Service Medal.

# STUDENT SPEAKERS



# Mr. Willie Usher, Jr. Co-President of the Student Government Association

Willie Usher, Jr., is pursuing a bachelor's degree in biology (pre-med). When he graduates from Middle Georgia State University, Usher, an Atlanta resident, wants to continue his studies with a career goal of becoming an anesthesiologist.

Currently, he serves as co-president of Middle Georgia State's Student Government Association (SGA).

Usher's involvement in campus life extends beyond his leadership role in SGA. He also is an active member of the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., as well as the Brothers Reaching Out for Success (BROS), a recognized student organization whose mission statement is to "enhance retention, progression, and graduation of African American males at Middle Georgia State University."



# Mr. Ransford Williams Co-President of the Student Government Association

Ransford Williams is pursuing a double major in aviation and aerospace management, as well as business administration with a concentration in logistics management. He also is minoring in public relations and criminal justice.

Williams is co-president of Middle Georgia State's Student Government Association, a member of the University Student Committee, and a part of the Sigma Alpha Pi National Society of Leadership and Success.

He serves in multiple positions within the Upsilon Psi Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated®, including secretary, director of education, co-editor, and assistant director of retention and alumni relations for College Brothers

within the Southern Ranks.

Beyond his academic pursuits and leadership roles, Williams said he is deeply committed to community service and actively seeks opportunities to empower others in his community. Williams said the center of his life is his faith in God, and his guiding motivation is the belief that "there is a stone for every Goliath." This conviction fuels his determination to overcome any challenge that he encounters on his path to success.

# **ACADEMIC HONORS**

By designation in the commencement program and on the diploma, Middle Georgia State University honors those graduates receiving bachelor's and associate's degrees who have excelled academically.

The Latin phrases Summa Cum Laude (with highest honor), Magna Cum Laude (with great honor), and Cum Laude (with honor) are used to identify the levels of achievement. These designations apply only to students receiving the baccalaureate degree. To graduate with honors, a baccalaureate student must have completed at least 60 semester hours of course work at Middle Georgia State University and earned a cumulative institutional GPA of at least 3.5:

Summa Cum Laude	Magna Cum Laude	Cum Laude
3.90 - 4.00	3.70 - 3.89	3.50 - 3.69

#### PRESIDENT'S SCHOLAR

The Middle Georgia State University Student Honors and Awards Committee, with the approval of the President of the University, designates a student or students from the senior class to serve as President's Scholar at Spring Commencement.

This designation is the highest honor given to a graduating senior at the institution. The student chosen must have an exceptional academic record at Middle Georgia State, be involved in campus and/or community activities, and demonstrate characteristics indicating the promise of a successful future.

#### **ACADEMIC RECOGNITION DAY SCHOLAR**

Academic Recognition Day, a program sponsored by the University System of Georgia, honors top scholars from each of the state's public colleges and universities. Nominees for Academic Recognition Day Scholar must be residents of Georgia and display outstanding scholastic achievement. Faculty members nominate students for the honor.

#### PRESIDENT'S LIST SCHOLAR

Students are designated a President's List Scholar if they complete the associate's degree or bachelor's degree with an overall institutional grade point average of 3.80-4.00. The President's List Scholar is graduated with honors.

#### **DEAN'S LIST SCHOLAR**

Students are designated a Dean's List Scholar if they complete the associate's degree or bachelor's degree with an overall institutional grade point average of 3.50-3.79. The Dean's List Scholar is graduated with honors.

### HONORS PROGRAM GRADUATE

A bachelor's degree student who completes eight Honors Program courses with a grade of "B" or better and has an overall institutional grade point average of at least 3.50 is designated an Honors Program Graduate.

An associate's degree student who completes four Honors Program courses with a grade of "B" or better and has an overall institutional grade point average of at least 3.50 is designated an Honors Program Graduate.

### HONORS DISCIPLINE GRADUATE

A bachelor's degree student who completes four upper-level Honors Program courses in a specific program of study with a grade of "B" or better in each and has an overall institutional grade point average of at least 3.50 is designated an Honors Discipline Graduate.

### ACADEMIC AND STUDENT LIFE DISTINCTIONS

The cords, stoles, and medallions students wear with their commencement caps and gowns represent specific academic honors and Recognized Student Organization affiliations.

Accounting Association	silver and purple cords	
Alpha Iota Mu, International Honor Society for Information Technology Students	blue and white cords and pins	
Alpha Phi Alpha National Fraternity, Inc.	black and gold stole	
Alpha Rho Sigma, Middle Georgia State's chapter of Sigma Tau Delta, International English Honors Society	cardinal red stole with cardinal red and black cords	
Center for Career & Leadership Development Internship Program	gold and purple cords	
Center for Career & Leadership Development Student Leadership Program	silver and purple cords	
The Georgia Academy	blue stole	
History Student Organization	red and silver cords	
Honors Program Graduates and Honors Discipline Graduates	gold medallion with Lamp of Knowledge symbol	
International Students and Studies Association	royal blue stole with gold trim	
Lambda Beta, National Honor Society for the Profession of Respiratory Care	blue and green cords	
Middle Georgia State Association of Nursing Students	blue and white cords	
Model African Union	kelly green sash with gold lettering	
Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc.	royal blue and white stole	
Pi Mu Epsilon, Mathematics Honorary Society	violet, gold, and lavender cords	
The President's Torch Society	platinum stole with purple lettering	
Sigma Alpha Pi, National Society of Leadership and Success	black and platinum cords and platinum stole	
Sigma Kappa Delta, English Honor Society	green and gold cords	
Sigma Theta Tau, International Nursing Honor Society	purple and white stole and cords	
Student Athletes	light gray stole	
Veteran Graduates	red, white, and blue cords	

# **ACADEMIC EMBLEMS**

#### THE MACE

Originally a medieval weapon, the mace evolved into a symbol of military power and civil authority. Many colleges and universities now use it as a ceremonial emblem during formal observances as a reminder that education is a symbol of the institution's authority to confer degrees. The Middle Georgia State University mace is 48 inches in height and made of walnut with brass accents.

### THE PRESIDENTIAL MEDALLION

The President of the University wears the Chain of Office and Medallion as a sign of authority. The Middle Georgia State University medallion is embossed with the University seal.

### THE GONFALONS

Gonfalons are ceremonial banners or pennants suspended from a crossbar. They are used by many institutions of higher education to add ceremony to commencement exercises and formal academic occasions. Gonfalons date back to medieval Italy where they were used as symbols of office or state.



# **ACADEMIC REGALIA**

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In its essential features, the academic regalia worn at American college commencement exercises had its beginning in the Middle Ages. The oldest universities of Northern Europe grew out of church schools, and both faculty and students were regarded as a part of the clergy. Hence, as their regular costume, they wore clerical garb borrowed largely from the monastic dress of their day.

The academic gown and hood were first regularly adopted by Cambridge University in 1284 and by Oxford University later. The custom was transplanted to this country in colonial times by King's College, now Columbia University, in New York.

In 1895 American universities and colleges decided to standardize their academic styles and developed the intercollegiate code of academic costume. The style follows in the Cambridge tradition. The distinctive caps, gowns, and hoods worn at present-day college and university functions denote the institution that granted the degree, the field of learning in which the degree was earned and the level of the degree — bachelor, master, or doctorate.

**The gown** is usually of black material (serge or worsted for bachelor's, the same or silk for master's, and silk for doctorate). Bachelor's gowns have pointed sleeves and master's gowns have long pouch-like sleeves. Doctorate gowns are faced with panels of velvet down the front and three bars of velvet across each sleeve. Four bars across each sleeve indicate a doctorate as well as a president or chancellor of an institution.

**The cap** — the square mortar-board in most American universities — but a round, soft, flat velvet hat in British, Canadian, and some European universities — bears a tassel, which may be black or it may be a color according to the scholarly field of the wearer. Only the doctorate cap may be of velvet.

**The hood**, worn around the neck so as to hang down the back, is the principal emblem of the nature and source of the degree held. The colors in the hood lining are the colors of the school conferring the degree. The color of the border indicates the scholarly field of the wearer. Hoods may be worn only after the degree has been granted.

**The degree colors** are appropriate to the category of the degree rather than to the specific major subject. For example, the appropriate color for a degree in Arts & Letters is white; in Commerce (Business), drab; in Education, light blue; in Science, golden yellow; in Medicine, green; and so on. These colors are used for the edging of all hoods and may be used for the velvet facing and sleeve bars for doctorate gowns and tassels on bachelor's and master's caps.

# **A TRADITION BEGINS**

President Christopher Blake introduced what is now a tradition at Middle Georgia State University's commencement ceremonies. After the Candidates for Degree receive their diplomas, the President confers their degrees/certificates. To signify passage from Candidate for Degree to Graduate, each graduate moves the tassel on her/his cap from the right side to the left side.

The President asks the front row of graduates to move their tassels accordingly, then he asks them to turn around and move the tassels of those in the second row, who then turn around and do the same for the third row and so on.

MGA alumni are now part of the tradition by moving the tassels of new graduates sitting on the front row. Alumni who will participate are:

Stephen Adams	Class of 2008	Autumn Lucas	Class of 2011
Eleyce Coleman	Class of 2021	Elijah Maurice	Class of 2015
Renee Corwine	Class of 2001	Heather McIntosh	Class of 2010
Paul Donnell	Class of 2012	Yaci Neal	Class of 2017
Ana Evans	Class of 2012	Kasey Osborn	Class of 2013
Kassi Hill	Class of 2012	Jorge Roque	Class of 2018
Paul Johnson	Class of 2003	Patrick Rule	Class of 2017
Jennifer Jones	Class of 2017	Michael Stewart	Class of 1989
Martin Kehayes	Class of 2003		





# **December 6, 2023 — 12:30**PM **Ceremony**

# School of Business

Department of Accounting & Finance Department of Health Service Administration Department of Management & Marketing

# **ORDER OF PROCESSION**

#### **CANDIDATES FOR DEGREE**

#### **PLATFORM PARTY**

Dr. Marc Miller Dean of the School of Business

Dr. Loretta Clayton Dean of Graduate Studies

Dr. Jennifer Brannon
Vice President for Student Affairs
Commencement Caller

Dr. David Jenks Provost

Mr. Willie Usher, Jr. Co-President of the Student Government Association

Mrs. Gwen Collins President and CEO, Collins Manufacturing Company Commencement Speaker

Dr. Christopher Blake President of Middle Georgia State University

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Welcome......Dr. David Jenks
Provost

\*The Star-Spangled Banner
Performed by Jadiyah Leroy,
a student majoring in Contemporary Musicianship

### **ALMA MATER**

Knights of Truth and Honor

Music and Lyrics by Robert W. Smith (ASCAP)

Performed by the MGA Chamber Singers

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David German's *Trumpet Tune* 

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> > Dr. David Jenks Provost

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Address by Student Government Association Co-PresidentMr. Willie Usher, Jr.			
Introduction of the Commencement Speaker	Dr. Christopher Blake President of the University		
Commencement Address	President and CEO, Fairview Park Hospital		
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<u>School of Arts & Letters</u> Department of Media, Culture, & The Arts

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Introduction of the Commencement Speaker......Dr. Christopher Blake
President of the University

Commencement Address......Dr. Cassandra Miller-Washington
Director of Career, Technical, and Agricultural Education
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Dean of the School of Aviation

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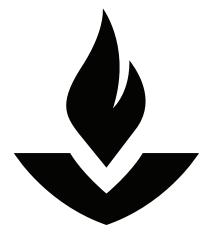
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