Since 1997, TTUHSC School of Medicine has held a White Coat Ceremony for our medical students. The White Coat Ceremony was initiated at the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Columbia University in New York City in August 1993, and has become an integral ceremonial activity at most medical schools throughout the country.

Training to be a physician is a long term commitment of service to others. Our goal at Texas Tech Health Sciences Center School of Medicine is to not only educate physicians who are highly competent technically, but who are also exceptionally compassionate, caring, and dedicated to their patients. Our entering Class of 2024 is starting medical school at an extraordinary time for the world and the profession of medicine. The School of Medicine traditionally performs the White Coat Ceremony in conjunction with orientation activities. Due to concern about the ability to celebrate the presentation of white coats with our new students’ family and loved ones, we are deferring the Class of 2024 White Coat Ceremony. We anticipate holding this ceremony during the Fall 2021 semester to coincide with the class transition from pre-clinical to clinical studies. More information about the Class of 2024 White Coat Ceremony will be shared during orientation and as we plan for the ceremony in Fall 2021.