



President Walsh to Step Down Following Commencement

Greensboro, NC — Bennett College announced today that President Suzanne Walsh will step down from her role following the 2025 commencement ceremony in May. Her departure marks the close of a transformative chapter in the College's history.

President Walsh has served as Bennett College's president since 2019, leading the institution through a period of significant transition and renewal. Under her leadership, the College secured its accreditation with the Transnational Association of Christian Colleges and Schools (TRACS), expanded academic offerings, and deepened its commitment to developing Black women leaders prepared to make a global impact.

"It has been an extraordinary honor to serve the Bennett College community," said President Walsh. The Bennett campus looks forward to welcoming Dr. Hardee as she steps into this interim role."

Board of Trustees Chair Cassandra Jones Havard, '78, expressed sincere gratitude for President Walsh's service to Bennett College. "President Walsh brought steady leadership and courage during a time when Bennett College needed it most. The College has made important strides, and we are focused on continual progress," said Jones Havard.

The Board of Trustees remains committed to ensuring a thoughtful and orderly leadership transition. Interim leadership will be in place following commencement.

As the Bennett community prepares to celebrate the graduating class of 2025, it will also honor President Walsh's dedicated service and her contributions to the College's history.

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