

## Hinman Announces 2019 #MyHinman Scholarship Winners

### *Hinman Awards Scholarships to Students at Chattanooga State Community College, Aiken Technical College & Augusta Technical College*

**ATLANTA (May 16, 2019)** – The Thomas P. Hinman Dental Meeting – the nation’s leading dental meeting and comprehensive source of continuing education in dentistry – has announced the winners of its 2019 #MyHinman Campaign, awarding scholarships to students at three southeastern schools.

The winners are:

- **1<sup>st</sup> Place \$1,500:** Chattanooga State Community College – Student American Dental Hygienists’ Association (SADHA)
- **2<sup>nd</sup> Place \$1,000:** Aiken Technical College Dental Assisting Program – Shelby Folger
- **3<sup>rd</sup> Place \$500:** Augusta Technical College Department of Dental Assisting – Kiesha Jones

“I am proud to say that over the past 18 years, the Hinman Dental Meeting has contributed millions of dollars to students and dental education programs throughout the country,” said Dr. Jonathan Dubin, General Chair for Hinman 2019. “The #MyHinman campaign is a fun way to get our attendees and exhibitors involved in this giving effort.”

The campaign, which kicked off in September 2018 and wrapped up at Hinman 2019, asked participants to post the official hashtag, #MyHinman, on Facebook, Twitter or Instagram to help raise money for scholarships and be entered into a monthly drawing for \$100 cash. Hinman and its official housing company, EventSphere, donated to the scholarship bank each time a post was shared on social media with the #MyHinman hashtag. Individuals were encouraged to vote for which schools should receive the “My Hinman” scholarships and the top three schools receiving the most votes were named 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners. The schools then named a deserving recipient.

Hinman’s 1<sup>st</sup> place winner, Chattanooga State Community College, opted to share the \$1,500 among the entire class. “The class as a whole was ecstatic to learn the news of being named the 1<sup>st</sup> place winner,” said Mellissa Boyd, Dental Hygiene Instructor for Chattanooga State. “The money will be used to offset some of the class’ financial burden for their clinical boards plus fund scholarships for current dental hygiene program students.”

“I was super excited when I found out about winning 2<sup>nd</sup> place for the (#MyHinman) scholarship,” said Shelby Folgar, a dental assisting student at Aiken Technical College.

