



SPRING
2025



Teachers Commissioning Ceremony

Wednesday 4th June 2025 | 10:00 a.m.

Community at Heart Tabernacle

Coral Road, Freeport, Grand Bahama

Forging the Future in Excellence, Innovation and Leadership

ORDER OF CEREMONY

Procession of Candidates for Graduation, School of Education

MODERATORS

Triska Jones | President, Student Government Association, UB North
Shechem Rolle | President, Education Awareness Society, UB North

NATIONAL ANTHEM

INVOCATION

Patriquo Hanna, Candidate for Graduation, Primary Education

WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS

Ms. Denise Barnes
Vice President, Human Resources and Vice President (Acting), UB
North

REMARKS

Dr. Maria Oriakhi, Provost and Vice President, Academic Affairs
Ms. Janyne Hodder, President (Acting)

SIGNIFICANCE OF THE CEREMONY

Ms. Shavonna Laing, Associate Professor, Education

MUSICAL SELECTION

Ms. Brendira Braynen, School of Business

INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER

Anndrea Miller
Candidate for Graduation, English Language and Literature

COMMISSIONING ADDRESS

Dr. Natasha Swann, Chair, School of Education

SPECIAL PRESENTATION TO DR. SWANN

Shellicia Forbes
Candidate for Graduation, Primary Certification

PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

GRADUAND'S RESPONSE

Keturah Charlton-Cooper
Candidate for Graduation, Primary Certification

SPECIAL SELECTION

Jada Edgecombe
Student | School of Education

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

UB North Candidates for Graduation | School of Education

PINNING OF TEACHERS

Dr. Maria Oriakhi, Dr. Thalia Micklewhite, Dr. Natasha Swann, Dr. Veronica Ferguson, Dr. Renay Small, Ms. Shavonna Laing-Morris

TEACHERS' PLEDGE

Dr. Thalia Micklewhite
Dean, College of Social and Educational Studies

VOTE OF THANKS

Mrs. Juliet Glenn-Callender
Librarian, UB North

EDUCATION ADMINISTRATION, FACULTY AND STAFF

Dr. Thalia Micklewhite, Associate Professor | Dean
Dr. Natasha Swann, Assistant Professor | Chair
Dr. Neresa Bandelier, Associate Professor | Head of Department, K-12
Dr. Dr. Kathleen Kellock, Assistant Professor | Head of Department, Secondary
Dr. Dyontalee Turnquest, Assistant Professor | Head of Department, Primary and Early Childhood
Dr. Veronica Ferguson, Associate Professor | Dean-UB North
Mrs. Shavonna Laing-Morris, Assistant Professor-UB North
Dr. Renay Small, Assistant Professor-UB North
Mrs. Anna-Clara Styles, Field Placement Officer-UB North

UB NORTH TEACHER'S COMMISSIONING COMMITTEE

Dr. Veronica Ferguson
Mrs. Juliet Glenn-Callender
Mrs. Anna-Clara Styles
Mrs. Shanique Cargill
Mrs. Shavonna Laing-Morris
Dr. Renay Small
Ms. Vivian McIntosh
Mrs. Levette Morris
Ms. Lennise Lopez

TEACHERS' PLEDGE

I WILL promote equity in education, having high expectations and giving strong support to all students.

I WILL create a learning environment, which encourages mutual respect, personal trust and confidentiality among students and other stakeholders.

I WILL facilitate and monitor students' learning, actively building on their prior knowledge and experiences.

I WILL utilize research to inform professional practice and national development.

I WILL participate in relevant professional global communities for the enhancement of "sustainable education".

I WILL conduct myself with utmost integrity, honesty and professionalism, always protecting those entrusted to my care.

I WILL uphold the principles and standards of this noble profession.

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