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INTEGRITY ISKEY

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rowing up in San Antonio, Texas, I experienced firsthand its rich tapestry of diverse cultures and historical depth. I am inspired by numerous community leaders who not only celebrate cultural diversity but also serve as role models for overcoming societal obstacles.

When I was offered to participate in the mentorship program, a collaboration between San Antonio College and Kaleidoscope of ARTS, it sparked immense joy within me.

Dr. Cheryl Davis, an outstanding leader in our community as well as a pioneer in medical and dental research, was my chosen mentor.

A graduate of the University of Alabama at Birmingham dental school, Dr. Davis has dedicated herself to a life of selfless support for the highest good. She exhibits a vibrant personality, always seeking understanding and solutions in both her dental practice and community involvement.

Dr. Davis, serves our Eastside community though her dental practice. She has provided dentistry to state prisoners of Bexar County, and has contributed to the homeless community through Haven for Hope. These acts of humanity are a direct result of her upbringing.



As an African-American woman, growing up in the South, Dr Davis experienced the daily adversity of overcoming the obstacles of segregation. She watched people struggle and sometimes lose hope.

Fortunately, she had a loving family who were always willing to lend a hand and uplift the spirits of their family, friends, and neighbors. They believed that faith, family, friends, and love would provide the perfect support.

As a result, they faced challenges with unwavering hope and resilience.



Dr Cherly Davis is a beacon for equality and diversity, illuminating pathways for positive changes. She serves as a daily testament to the power of embracing our differences and cultivate an inclusive space where everyone can flourish. This resolve is an inspiration to her dental team and community friends.

As I conclude, the enduring lesson from Dr. Cheryl Davis rings true:

Each person must learn that life is unpredictable, full of peaks and valleys. Faith, gratitude, and hard work will empower you to overcome adversity.