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## A LETTER FROM THE PUBLISHER

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Can you believe that 2021 is almost at an end? It seems like this year is flying by—trying to get as far away from 2020 as possible but we are still here and as strong as ever.

We have some exciting opportunities waiting for you here at [HBCUCONNECT.COM](https://HBCUCONNECT.COM)!

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We appreciate the companies that participate in these events and more importantly, we appreciate those who attend our events in hopes of getting hired from one of the prestigious hiring companies we work with, such as Microsoft, Intel, Trane Technologies, Visa, Agilent, Johnson & Johnson, GSK, NextEra Energy, AMEX, and MORE!

There are a ton of virtual hiring events happening in the coming weeks, so if you would like to get invited to the latest events, make sure to register on our web site at [HBCUCONNECT.COM](https://HBCUCONNECT.COM) and upload a recent resume so that we can match you up with some excellent opportunities and employers!

Enjoy this issue of HBCU CONNECT Magazine, and as always, thank you for your support.

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# NEWS REPORTER AND ALABAMA STATE ALUM **APRIL ROSS BUYS TV STATION**

**A**pril Ross is an Alabama State alumna, a Georgia news reporter, and the newest owner of WJCN TV-33, a LaGrange, Georgia, television station!

According to an Alabama State press release, the newly purchased station is “on-the-air through Spectrum, 24 hours a day, throughout 600,000 households and seen in 11 counties in both West Georgia and East Alabama,” and will operate under Ross’ parent company “Bee-TV Network.”

**What is ironic is when I was a student at Alabama State University, I actually interned at WJCN, and now, I own it.”**

“I want to create something in this television market that has never occurred before and that includes creating and producing great local programming for our community that’s full of home-area content; to use this platform to provide our residents with what best suits their community needs, tastes, standards and interests, and do it while hiring and honing local talent into our TV on-air personalities,” Ross told ASU.

Ross attributes much of her success to God and her alma

mater. “I give God the ultimate credit for any and everything in my life. Period. And aiding his plan for me has been Alabama State University and CBS-3’s Teresa Whitaker.”

As a student at ASU, Ross majored in communications and interned as a production assistant at various stations, one of them being WJCN. “What is ironic is when I was a student at Alabama State University, I actually interned at WJCN, and now, I own it.”

According to Ross, ASU is where she gained the skills to kick off her career as an effective news reporter. “I learned so much from the University’s Communications Department and owe it and Professor ‘O’ a lot for who I am and where I am today,” said Ross. “ASU was where I first filmed news stories on camera, learned to splice film on a tape, to have a good voice on-air, which I know occurred after being a weekend anchor at ASU’s WVAS 90.7 Radio.”

“At ASU, I learned discipline, improved my on-air presence due to what I was taught in the University’s communication and speech classes; was taught both the basics and advanced principles in communications by an array of gifted faculty; and was taught to set goals and obtain them. ” Ross explained. “My advice to present students is that you must first work hard, learn well and work through the hard times, if you wish to obtain your dreams.”



# HBCUS ACROSS THE COUNTRY ARE SEEING RECORD ENROLLMENT NUMBERS!

**T**he past year and a half has been an absolute whirlwind. From a global pandemic to natural disasters, to elevated racial tension, the world has definitely taken a hit. Remarkably, amid the chaos, our beloved institutions have been growing at record-breaking rates!

Several HBCUs across the country have reported historic enrollment numbers as more and more students are choosing historical Black institutions.

North Carolina A&T State University recently announced that more than 13,300 students are enrolled for the current fall semester, making it the largest headcount the institution has seen in its 130-history.

Elizabeth City State University has also reported its highest enrollment since the fall 2013 semester with 2,054 students, a 2.6 percent increase over fall 2020.

Enrollment at Edward Waters University has also increased by a stunning 14%.

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# SUPPORT YOUR FELLOW HBCU GRADS AND #BUYBLACK



Looking to #BuyBlack but aren't sure where to start? Well, why not start within your own community? Here is a list of HBCU grad-owned businesses for you to support. From vegan treats to apparel lines, these Black entrepreneurs are doing their thing providing quality products and services while repping their HBCUs well.



## SWEETS IN A JAR

This Little Rock based on-the-go homemade dessert company is delicious... and HBCU Grad-Owned! Former student-athlete turned entrepreneur Kolby McNeal is a UAPB grad and the founder and

Chief Culinary Officer of Sweets in a Jar LLC. From white chocolate to lemon pound cake, no matter what you have a taste for, this place has got it. They also donate \$1 from every subscription box to the HBCU of your choice. If you're in the Little Rock area and looking to satisfy your sweet tooth, be sure to show Sweets in a Jar some good ole HBCU love! Find out more at [www.sweetsinajar.com](http://www.sweetsinajar.com)

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## PREMIER PHARMACY AND WELLNESS CENTER

FAMU grad, pharmacist, and entrepreneur Dr. Martez L. Prince is the proud owner of a successful Charlotte, North

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## QUIKLIQ

Navarr Grevious and Mikael Pyles met on the campus of Clark Atlanta University more than 10 years ago and formed an unbreakable bond. Now the two are not only fraternity brothers and

business partners, they are also the founders of the first



## BAKED BY CHANICE

19-year old Chanice McClover isn't just a student at Howard University, she's also the owner of a vegan bakery based in Washington, DC called Baked by Chanice. The bakery offers gourmet

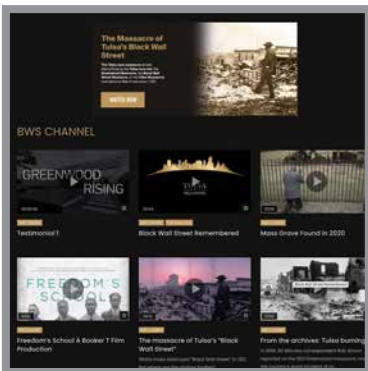
vegan treats like red velvet cheesecake, s'mores, and chocolate chip coconut walnut cookies and custom cakes that are sure to hit the spot (even if you aren't vegan). If you're in the DC area, be sure to support this young entrepreneur and head on over to Baked by Chanice. For more info, visit [www.bakedbychanice.com](http://www.bakedbychanice.com).



## HGC APPAREL

Howard University grad and 90s fashion enthusiast Marcia Smith is the founder of HGC Apparel. Since launching in 2006, Smith has grown HGC Apparel into a seven-figure company

that is centered around being unapologetically Black in every way. Hoodies and t-shirts with bold sayings like "Educated Black Queen" and "Black By Popular Demand" are just a fraction of the empowering gear featured on the site. Support this fellow HBCU grad and head over to [www.HGCApparel.com](http://www.HGCApparel.com).



## BLACK WALL STREET TV

Television executive and Tulsa, Oklahoma native Darnell Washington used his 30 years of television experience to launch his own streaming platform

called Black Wall Street TV Network. Inspired by the original entrepreneurs of Black Wall Street in Tulsa in the early 1900s, Washington created a place for uplifting and inspiring Black content. BWS-TV Network is an AVOD (Ad Based Video on Demand) Network, meaning it is free to anyone who has an internet connection. To find out more, be sure to visit [www.BlackWSTV.com](http://www.BlackWSTV.com).

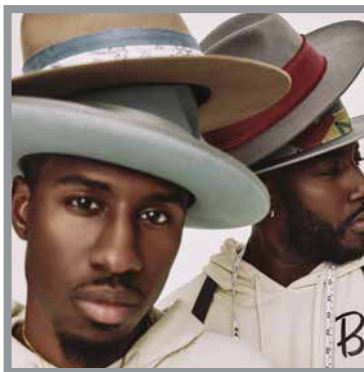


## EVERYTHING LEGENDARY

HBCU grads Duane Myko, Danita Jones, and Chef Jumoke Jackson (repping Morgan State and Bowie State) came together to make something

legendary—Everything Legendary. This Black-owned vegan burger company is based in the DC area and offers "flavorful yet healthy" meat alternatives. Since the start of the pandemic, Everything Legendary has taken its services online and began delivering their delicious plant-based burgers all across the country.

Want to support a Black business, order yourself an Everything Legendary burger at [www.golegendary.com](http://www.golegendary.com). You won't regret it!



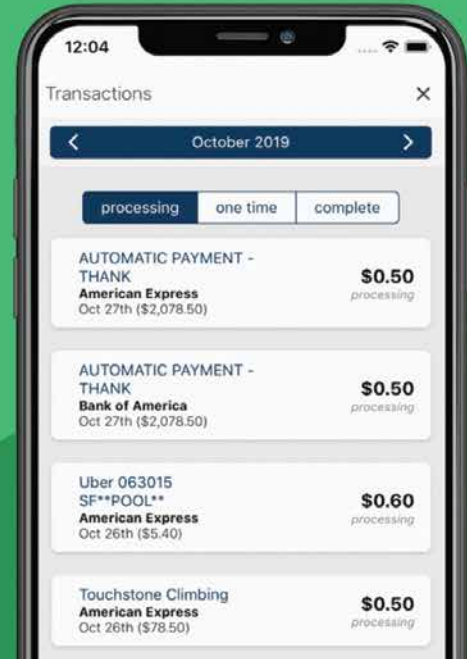
## BRIMS

HBCU grads and Alpha Phi Alpha frat brothers Archie Clay III and Tajh Crutch are the founders of the fastest growing Black-owned luxury hat company, BRIMS. Since launching in 2017, Clay and Crutch

has established a successful brand of quality and stylish fedoras for any special occasion. From previously designed to custom creations, you are sure to find the perfect hat at BRIMS. Looking to elevate your look? Get started by heading over to [www.wearbrims.com](http://www.wearbrims.com).



# HBCU CHANGE APP IS WORKING TO RAISE \$1 BILLION FOR HBCUS!



It's no secret that our beloved institutions don't always get the resources that PWIs benefit from and because of that many of them often struggle financially due to a lack of support. That is why it is so important for HBCU alumni to give back when we can. With that in mind, an app called HBCU Change is working to raise \$1 billion to go towards supporting HBCUs and has made it unbelievably easy for you to participate!

Do you love your HBCU and want to show your support financially? This brand new app is helping HBCU grads, students, and fans all over the world donate to the schools of their choice passively.

The way it works is simple.

The app allows you to select your school(s) and every time you make a purchase, your spare change will go toward your favorite HBCU. For example, if you make a purchase for \$25.09, HBCU Change would round that up to \$26 and donate the \$0.91 to the school of your choice. How easy is that?

When asked what inspired him to create HBCU Change, founder Xavier Peoples said, "I created the HBCU change app to give Historically Black Colleges and Universities the opportunity to engage their alumni and supporters in an innovative way. The app allows alumni and supporters to

give back at any time, in any place by allowing their spare change to go towards their selected school without even having to think about it. Giving back in this space is critical at this point. Many mainstream institutions have relied on large endowments when the pandemic hit, but many HBCUs just don't have that financial cushion. This is how we can start to save our own."

Downloading this app will not only help you to passively give back, but it will always help HBCU Change get closer to their goal of raising \$1 billion for HBCUs over the next 5 years!

According to Xavier, "the average donor when connecting their debit and credit card to the app can give anywhere between \$54 – 87\$ per month depending on the number of transactions that happen in a month. Using a school like Clark Atlanta as an example, if 10k of their 40k alumni connect to HBCU change, that's potentially \$6 million dollars going to the institution per year."

That's millions of dollars going to your HBCU without even having to think about it! Millions of dollars that can go towards campus improvement, departmental advancement, and even scholarships.

So are you in? Download the app today and let's start giving back!



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# HBCU ALUMNI

## HBCU ALUMNI ON THE BIG AND SMALL SCREEN

Have you binged every show and movie there is and are looking for something new to watch? Well, check out these films and shows starring HBCU alumni!

**Eva Marcille:** This Clark Atlanta University graduate is the star of new drama series brought to you by Christian Keyes and Tyler Perry Studios, *All the Queens Men* is centered around the life of “Marilyn ‘Madam’ DeVille” played by Marcille. DeVille is a fierce businesswoman who is at the top of her game in the nightclub industry and surrounded by a band of trusted employees who are down to make sure that she is successful, but soon discovers that more money and more power means more problems. The series is now streaming on BET+.

**Lance Gross:** Repping Howard University, Lance Gross will join the star-studded cast of *Our Kind of People*, a drama that follows a single mom who risks it all and moves her family to a vineyard with hopes of taking her natural hair care line to the next level by infiltrating the African American elite in Oak Bluffs. Gross will star in the series along with Joe Morton, Debbi Morgan, and Morris Chestnut. You can catch the show on Tuesdays on Fox.

**Keisha Knight Pulliam:** Spelman alumna Keisha Knight Pulliam stars in the 2021 film, *Redeemed*. Pulliam stars as Angela Sylvester, a judge who is implicated in her office’s corrupt practice of taking kickbacks to send kids to prison and

sets out to expose the scheme before more youth are sent away. You can catch the film on the BET+ streaming service.

**Samuel L. Jackson:** Morehouse grad and legendary actor Samuel L. Jackson stars in the action comedy, *The Hitman’s Wife’s Bodyguard*. Reprising his role as Darius Kincaid from the 2017 film, *The Hitman’s Bodyguard*, Samuel worked with bodyguard Michael Bryce, (played by Ryan Reynolds) to save Darius’ wife Sonia (played by Salma Hayek). The film is now in theaters.

**Terrence Jenkins:** This NCAT alum is set to star in the upcoming Deon Taylor horror film, *Fear*. In the film, a much needed getaway and a celebration weekend turns into a nightmare due to the contagious airborne threat. Jenkins will star along with Power’s Joseph Sikora, King Bach, and T.I. The film is slated to be released later this year.

**Anika Noni Rose:** Representing FAMU, Anika Noni Rose is reprising her role as the voice of the first Black Disney princess in the new animated musical series, *Tiana*. This *Princess and the Frog* spinoff will pick up in New Orleans right where the film left off. The series will be streamed on the Disney+ platform in 2022.





# GETTY IMAGES TO PRESERVE HBCU HISTORY AND ARCHIVES

Getty Images, a world leader in visual communications, is partnering up with the Stand Together, a philanthropic community tackling some of society's biggest challenges, to help HBCUs around the country preserve their history through archives! As we all know, history and tradition are a huge deal at any one of our beloved institutions, and now, thanks to this new grant opportunity, our schools will be able to share and preserve stories, experiences, and artifacts.

Through the launch of the inaugural Getty Images Photo Archive Grants for HBCUs, HBCUs all over the country will be supported in digitizing their invaluable visual history. According to Getty, the grants will commit \$500,000 towards the digitization of two HBCU's photographic archives, including the digitization of up to 100,000 archival assets per grant recipient. Included in the grant will be opportunities to also apply metadata and licensing opportunities for the winning HBCU's existing digitized libraries.

Chief Marketing and Communications Officer of the NAACP and grant judge Aba Blankson explained the importance of this initiative, saying, "Black history is American history. While some of that history is known, too much is still hidden. Our HBCUs hold precious and treasured experiences, stories, images, and artifacts. We are excited to participate in this important initiative to preserve and strengthen the ability to amplify our collective story."

Getty also states that grant recipients will retain all copyright for their visual assets and once digitized, the historical content will be placed in a newly created stand-alone photo collection called the "HBCU Photo Collection" and will be available for licensing on the Getty Images platform, which includes and owns one of the largest privately-owned historical photo archives in the world.

All royalties from the images that are preserved through the grants are funneled back into impact programs: Fifty percent will go to grant recipients, who will retain all copyright of the visual assets; thirty percent of royalties will be used for a financial donation to a scholarship fund focused on furthering the education of students at HBCUs, and twenty percent will be reinvested to fund the Getty Images Photo Archive Grants for HBCUs each year.

In addition to being available to license on the Getty Images platform, the HBCU Photo Collection will also be made available as part of Getty Images' content donation initiative for non-commercial use free of charge in support of learning about and reflecting on Black history for Black storytellers and not-for-profits as part of the Getty Images Black History & Culture Collection launching later in 2021.

The launch invites all HBCUs nationwide to apply online at [grants.gettyimages.com/hbcu-grant](https://grants.gettyimages.com/hbcu-grant) through Thursday, September 30, 2021, at 11:59 p.m. PT.



**E**dward Waters College made history when the institution officially transitioned to Edward Waters University. The announcement was made during a press conference at which the institution presented the new name and other significant milestones, marking the evolution of the 155-year-old institution's history that reflects its leadership in the rapidly changing higher education marketplace through its innovative programs and workforce-ready education.

The announcement comes after the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC), regional accreditation agency approved the institution's level change from a baccalaureate to master's level degree granting entity, allowing Edward Waters the opportunity to offer graduate programs for the first time in the school's history. "In the 155 year history of Edward Waters, this most auspicious and transformative occasion reaffirms the forward and upward moving trajectory of our storied and illustrious institution." said EWU President and CEO, Dr. A. Zachary Faison, Jr.

Additionally, the school was approved to operate a new, fully accredited Online Master of Business Administration degree. These two changes allowed for the school to move

from College to University status and is the first graduate degree program ever offered at the State of Florida first independent institution of higher learning and first Historically Black College of University (HBCU).

Not only was the institution approved to offer graduate programs, but also its Fifth-Year accreditation review was accepted and approved by SACSCOC without any required follow-up report. This seals the University's accreditation until its next reaffirmation review by SACSCOC in 2025.

"Edward Waters University will continue to emerge as the state of Florida's premier destination institution of higher education through the growth of its academic programs and strengthening of its fiscal viability that will sustain the institution for yet another 155 years and beyond as we continue to implement the strategic vision Eminence 2025."

The new Online MBA Program has already started receiving applications and is now officially enrolling students for fall 2021. Interested students can apply and get more information about EWU's new online MBA program at [www.ewc.edu/mba](http://www.ewc.edu/mba).





# DOUBLE HBCU GRAD NICHOLAS PERKINS MAKES HISTORY

**D**ouble HBCU graduate Nicholas Perkins is making history as the first 100% Black owner of a national burger franchise! Repping both Howard University and Fayetteville State University, Perkins has acquired several Fuddrucker restaurants through an \$18.5 million deal.

Nicholas Perkins, who earned his Bachelor of Science In Business Administration from Fayetteville State University and who earned his Masters of Business Administration (MBA) from Howard University, was born and raised in Fayetteville, North Carolina and raised by a single mother and his grandmother, Mrs. Laurene W. Perkins. "Laurene Perkins cooked from the heart and you could taste it" he proudly shared in an interview with Johnson C. Smith University. "My grandmother was a phenomenal cook, she nurtured my passion for the kitchen. I knew that I loved to cook and had a passion for it but I also wanted to become an entrepreneur, so I merged the two and established Perkins Management Company, which has truly been an amazing experience."

After getting both of his degrees and serving in management roles with several food service companies, Nicholas founded Perkins Management Company in 2005 when he was just 25 years old and never looked back. Since then, the company has become a multi-million dollar

contract food services management corporation with a diverse range of clients including HBCUs like Morris Brown College and several military installations.

Though Perkins Management was created with the desire to become the world's largest wholly minority owned company of its kind, Perkins did not stop there when it came to making history. His Black Titan Franchise Systems LLC was created for the sole purpose of owning the Fuddrucker's and was the business through which this historic deal was made.

Fuddrucker's was owned by Luby's Inc., a Houston-based cafeteria chain who agreed to sell the brand to Perkins' Black Titan, making Perkins the owner of the legendary burger franchise.

"We're excited to be purchasing Fuddrucker's and look forward to working with Fuddrucker's many dedicated, highly capable franchisees to further build this brand," Perkins said. "As a Fuddrucker's franchisee, I have a vested interest in ensuring that all Fuddrucker's franchisees have the resources, infrastructure, and operational and marketing support they need to maximize their return on investment. This strategic alignment, when combined with the fact that we sell the 'World's Greatest Hamburgers'™, will ensure the long-term success of the brand and our franchisees."





# PRESIDENT BIDEN TO APPOINT DELAWARE STATE UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT **DR. TONY ALLEN AS HBCU ADVISORY BOARD LEAD**

Congratulations are in order for Delaware State University president, Dr. Tony Allen, as it was just announced that President Biden will appoint him to lead the HBCU Advisory Board. The board was designed to advance the HBCU Initiative, which was established during the Carter Administration to improve and increase the success of Historically Black Colleges and Universities.

Dr. Allen has a long history of working alongside President Joe Biden. Allen started his career as a speechwriter and special assistant to then-United States Senator Joseph R. Biden, Jr., which led to him being tapped by the President to lead the Presidential Inaugural Committee and to serve on the Advisory Board of the President's Transition Team.

Prior to Dr. Allen's time at the University, he also developed and led the corporate reputation group at Bank of America and was responsible for ongoing reputation analysis and related research. He led communications for the bank's largest divisions, including Consumer, Commercial Banking, and Wealth Management. Allen then transitioned into a career in financial services as an Executive Vice President at MBNA America.

Dr. Allen became president of Delaware State University in January 2020 after serving as both Provost and Executive Vice President at the University.

According to the DSU, since stepping into the leadership role:

"[Allen] and his team have built a strong portfolio of accomplishments focused on student success. The university has seen its elevation to the #3 public HBCU in America (US News), an R2 "high research activity" designation, and the historic acquisition of nearby Wesley College. The university's "Together" COVID-19 plan has been touted as a national example of campus safety strategy, and a year into the pandemic enrollment has shattered all previous records."

Senator Chris Coons praised Dr. Allen following the announcement of the appointment saying, "Dr. Allen is a remarkable leader and champion for HBCUs. As president of Delaware State University, he has helped transform the university into a premier center for learning and cutting-edge research that graduates top talent to lead our communities and boardrooms," Coons said. "Dr. Allen has the vision and dedication to continue to advance the vital role that our nation's HBCUs play in serving future generations of American students."

Dr. Allen has consistently demonstrated his commitment to the growth and support of not only the institution he leads but of all the HBCUs across the country. As head of the HBCU Advisory Board, Allen will no doubt be an advocate for real impactful change when it comes to our beloved institutions.

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# TOP 5 GROWING CAREERS FOR HBCU GRADS

Are you looking for a career change and thinking about going back to school? Well here are the top 5 growing careers for HBCU graduates:

## **SOLAR PHOTOVOLTAIC INSTALLER:**

**What They Do:** Solar photovoltaic (PV) installers assemble, set up, and maintain rooftop or other systems that convert sunlight into energy.

**Projected Growth Rate:** 51% (according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics)

**Necessary Education/Experience:** High school diploma or equivalent and technical school certificate

**Median Salary:** \$46,470

## **OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY ASSISTANTS:**

**What They Do:** Occupational therapy assistants and aides help patients develop, recover, improve, as well as maintain the skills needed for daily living and working.

**Projected Growth Rate:** 35% (according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics)

**Necessary Education/Experience:** Associate degree from an accredited occupational therapy assistant program

**Median Salary:** \$62,940

## **WIND TURBINE SERVICE TECHNICIAN**

**What They Do:** Wind turbine service technicians, also known as windtechs, install, maintain, and repair wind turbines

**Projected Growth Rate:** 61% (according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics)

**Necessary Education/Experience:** Associate degree or technical school certificate, plus 12 months of training

**Median Salary:** \$56,230

## **NURSE PRACTITIONER:**

**What They Do:** nurse practitioners coordinate patient care and may provide primary and specialty healthcare.

**Projected Growth Rate:** 52% (according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics)

**Necessary Education/Experience:** Master's degree in a healthcare related field and a registered nurse license

**Median Salary:** \$117,670

## **STATISTICIAN:**

**What They Do:** statisticians analyze data and apply computational techniques to solve problems.

**Projected Growth Rate:** 35% (according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics)

**Necessary Education/Experience:** at least a bachelor degree in mathematics or a related field.

**Median Salary:** \$92,270





# HBCU Homecomings

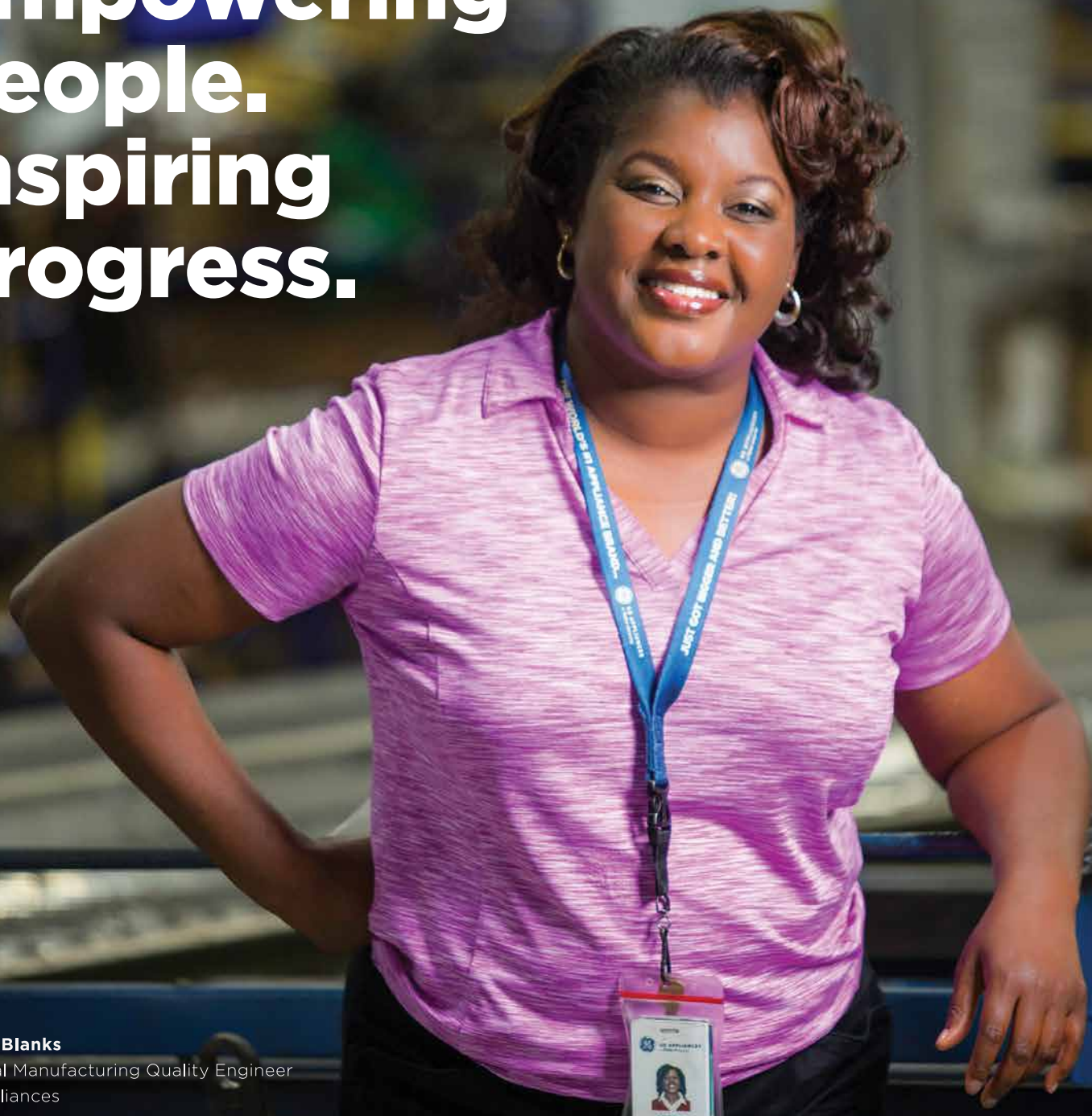
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# HBCU Classics

Name of Classic	Home Team	Visiting Team	Date	Location
Classic for Columbus	Central State University	Kentucky State University	8/28/2021	Columbus, OH
Big Cat Classic	Edward Waters University	Florida Memorial University	8/28/2021	Jacksonville, FL
MEAC/SWAC Challenge	Alcorn State University	NC Central University	8/28/2021	Atlanta, GA
Labor Day Classic	Alabama State University	Miles College	9/4/2021	Montgomery, AL
Down East Viking Classic	Elizabeth City State University	Fayetteville State University	9/4/2021	Rocky Mount, NC
Louis Crews Classic	Alabama A&M University	SC State University	9/4/2021	Huntsville, AL
Labor Day Classic	Texas Southern University	Prairie View A&M University	9/4/2021	Houston, TX
Orange Blossom Classic	Florida A&M University	Jackson State University	9/5/2021	Miami Gardens, FL
Black College Hall of Fame Classic	Grambling State University	Tennessee State University	9/5/2021	Canton, OH
Red Tails Classic	Fort Valley State University	Tuskegee University	9/5/2021	Montgomery, AL
Pete Richardson Classic	Southern University	Miles College	9/11/2021	Baton Rouge, LA
Truth and Service Classic	Hampton University	Howard University	9/18/2021	Washington, DC
Willard Bailey Classic	Virginia Union University	Virginia University of Lynchburg	9/18/2021	Richmond, VA
Gulf Coast Challenge	Alabama A&M University	Tuskegee University	9/25/2021	Mobile, AL
W.C. Gordon Classic	Jackson State University	Delta State University	9/25/2021	Jackson, MS
State Fair Classic	Grambling State University	Prairie View A&M University	9/25/2021	Dallas, TX
Arlington Football Showdown	Texas Southern University	Southern University	10/9/2021	Arlington, TX
Morehouse-Tuskegee Football Classic	Tuskegee University	Morehouse College	10/9/2021	Birmingham, AL
Lucille M. Brown Community Youth Bowl	Virginia Union University	Bowie State University	10/23/2021	Richmond, VA
Magic City Classic	Alabama A&M University	Alabama State University	10/30/2021	Birmingham, AL
Commemorative Classic	Johnson C. Smith University	Livingstone College	11/6/2021	Charlotte, NC
Raleigh Classic	Saint Augustine's University	Shaw University	11/6/2021	Raleigh, NC
Fountain City Classic	Albany State University	Fort Valley State University	11/6/2021	Columbus, GA
AME Football Classic	Allen University	Edward Waters University	11/13/2021	Columbia, SC
Florida Classic	Bethune-Cookman University	Florida A&M University	11/20/2021	Orlando, FL
Turkey Day Classic	Alabama State University	Tuskegee University	11/25/2021	Montgomery, AL
Bayou Classic	Grambling State University	Southern University	11/27/2021	New Orleans, LA



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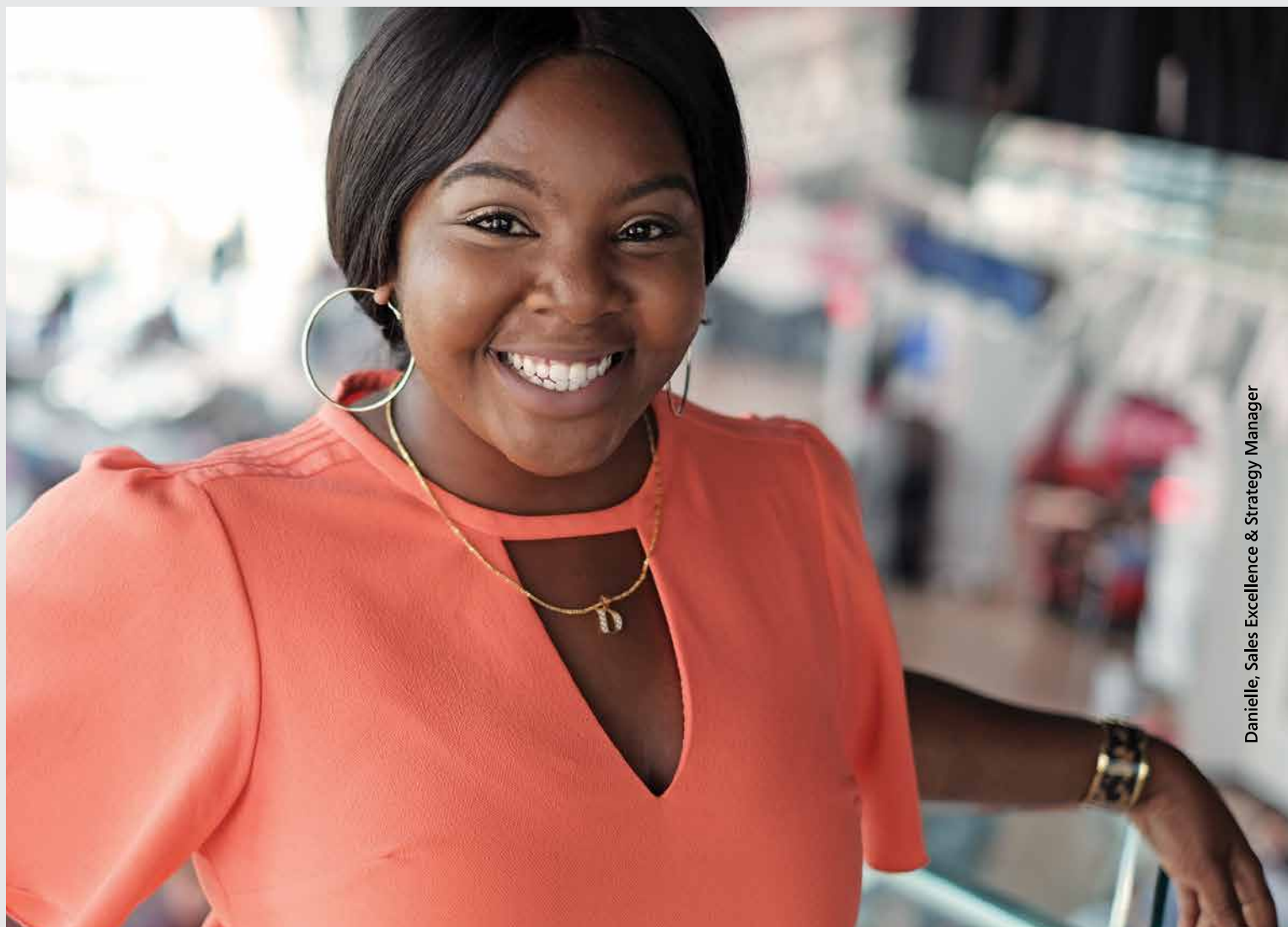


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