

# BLACK COLLEGE SPORTS PAGE



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## LET THE GAMES BEGIN

**BLAKE BOZEMAN TRAGICALLY FELLED; CIAA HOOPS PREDICTIONS; TOP HBCU AND NFL PERFORMANCES**

**EDDIE GEORGE:** His 2-1 Tennessee State Tigers travel to UT-Martin to take on the back-to-back OVC champions.

# 2023 BLACK COLLEGE FOOTBALL (Standings and Weekly Honors)

## CIAA CENTRAL INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

NORTH DIVISION	DIV		CONF		ALL	
	W	L	W	L	W	L
Virginia State	0	0	2	0	4	0
Bowie State	0	0	2	0	3	1
Virginia Union	0	0	1	1	3	1
Bluefield State	0	0	0	2	1	3
Lincoln (PA)	0	0	0	2	1	3
Elizabeth City State	0	0	0	2	1	3
SOUTH DIVISION	DIV		CONF		ALL	
	W	L	W	L	W	L
Johnson C. Smith	0	0	2	0	3	1
Fayetteville State	0	0	2	0	2	2
Winston-Salem State	0	0	2	0	2	2
Shaw	0	0	1	1	1	3
Livingstone	0	0	0	2	0	4
Saint Augustine's	0	0	0	2	0	4

**BCSP CIAA PLAYERS OF THE WEEK.**  
**QB - Steve Williams, So., VSU** - 18-34-0 for 192 yards, 2 TDs (68, 44, 49) in win over SAU.  
**OB - Carleton Stewart, Sr., BSU** - 32 car., 116 yds., 0 TDs in win over SAU.  
**WR - Eli Riddick, So., LINCPC** - 3 rec., 96 yds., 2 TDs (65, 19) in loss to JCSU.  
**DB- Malik Charles, R-Fr, FC, SHAW** - 12 tackles, eight solos, one sack for -7 yards in win vs. ECSU.  
**LB - Demorian Smith, Jr., ECSU** - 11 tackles, 6 solos, two tackle for loss vs. Shaw.  
**DL - NA**  
**SPECIAL - Jacob Meneses, So., PK, FSU** - Hits 27-yard FG with .06 seconds left for win over VUU.

## MEAC MID EASTERN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE

North Carolina Central	CONF		ALL	
	W	L	W	L
North Carolina Central	0	0	3	1
Norfolk State	0	0	2	2
Howard	0	0	1	2
Morgan State	0	0	1	3
SC State	0	0	1	3
Delaware State	0	0	0	4

**MEAC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK**  
**OFFENSE**  
**Walker Harris, Jr., QB, NCCU** - 17-28-0 for 263 yards and 5 TDs (16, 2, 23, 7, 35) in win over MVSU.  
**DEFENSE**  
**Elijah Williams, Jr., DL, MSU** - 10 tackles, 9 solos, 4 tackle for loss 2 sacks, forced fumble vs. Albany.  
**ROOKIE**  
**Miguel Rijo, Fr., LB, NSU** - Foursolo tackle, three for -18 yards, 2 sacks, 2 QB hurries vs. Towson.  
**SPECIALIST**  
**Adrian Olivo, Sr., PK, NCCU** - Had nine points, career-long 47-yard FG and six PATs vs. MVSU.  
**OFFENSIVE LINEMAN**  
**Toricelli Simpkins III, Jr., NCCU** - 12 pancakes while Eagles had 416 yards of offense.

## SIAC SOUTHERN INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETIC CONFERENCE

Tuskegee	CONF		ALL	
	W	L	W	L
Tuskegee	3	0	4	0
Fort Valley State	3	0	3	1
Benedict	2	0	4	0
Allen	2	0	3	0
Miles	2	0	3	1
Albany State	2	0	2	2
Savannah State	1	1	2	2
Edward Waters	1	2	1	3
Kentucky State	0	3	1	3
Central State	0	2	1	3
Morehouse	0	2	0	4
Lane	0	3	0	4
Clark Atlanta	0	3	0	4

**BCSP SIAC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK**  
**OFFENSE**  
**E. Kleinpeter, So., QB, MILES** - 15-20-0 for 260 yards and 4 TDs (38, 24, 47, 14) in win over CAU.  
**DEFENSE**  
**Loobert Denelus, Sr., DL, BEN** - Led team with 7 tackles, 4 solos, 3.5 TFL, 2.5 sacks vs. Chowan.  
**SPECIAL TEAMS**  
**NA**

## SWAC SOUTHWESTERN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE

Florida A&M	DIV		ALL	
	W	L	W	L
Florida A&M	2	0	3	1
Jackson State	1	1	3	2
Alabama A&M	1	1	2	2
Alabama State	0	1	1	2
Bethune-Cookman	0	1	1	3
Miss. Valley State	0	0	0	3
WEST DIVISION	DIV		ALL	
	W	L	W	L
Prairie View A&M	2	0	2	2
Grambling State	1	0	2	2
Southern	1	0	1	2
Alcorn State	0	1	1	3
Arkansas-Pine Bluff	0	1	1	3
Texas Southern	0	2	0	4

**SWAC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK**  
**OFFENSE - Quincy Casey, Gr., QB, AAMU** - 27-33-0, 328 yards, 3 TDs (6, 29, 5) in win vs. UAPB.  
**DEFENSE - Zareon Hayes, Sr., LB, AAMU** - Led Bulldogs with 12 tackles, 2.5 sacks for -22 yards, one QB hurry and forced fumble vs. UAPB.  
**SPECIALIST - Guillermo Rodriguez, PK, PVAM** - Had game-winning 46-yard field goal in 23-20 win over Alcorn State.  
**NEWCOMER - Irv Mulligan, Fr., RB, JSU** - 21 car., 174 yards and one 66-yard TD vs. B-CU.

## INDEPENDENTS

Florida Memorial	W		L	
	CONF	ALL	CONF	ALL
Florida Memorial	0	0	1	2
Va.-Lynchburg	0	0	0	4
Texas College	0	0	0	4
CAA				
Hampton	0	0	2	1
NC A&T State	0	0	0	3
OHIO VALLEY				
Tennessee State	0	0	2	1
MIAA				
Lincoln (Mo.)	0	0	0	4
MOUNTAIN EAST				
W. Va. State	0	0	3	1
SAC (Sooner Athletic Conference)	0	0	1	2

**BCSP PLAYERS OF THE WEEK**  
**OFFENSE**  
**Joel Felder, RB, WVU** - Carried 28 times for 120 yards and 1- and 8-yard TD runs in win over Greenville State.  
**DEFENSE**  
**T. J. Lomax, Jr., DB, WVU** - Tied for team lead with 10 tackles, 4 solos vs. Greenville State.

## SCORES

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21	
Alabama A&M 31, Arkansas-Pine Bluff 24	Miami (OH) 62, Delaware State 20
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23	
Albany State 15, Savannah State 12	Miles 55, Clark Atlanta 14
Allen 34, Central State 28	Norfolk State 21, Towson 14
Benedict 31, Chowan 3	NC Central 45, Miss Valley State 3
Bowie State 10, Saint Augustine's 7	Northwest Missouri State 59, Lincoln (MO) 0
Edward Waters 44, Morehouse 13	Prairie View A&M 23, Alcorn State 20
Fayetteville State 10, Virginia Union 7	Robert Morris 46, VA-Lynchburg 0
Florida A&M 23, Alabama State 10	South Carolina State 31, The Citadel 10
Fort Valley State 31, Kentucky State 9	Tuskegee 28, Lane 22, 2 OT
Grambling State 35, Texas Southern 23	UAlbany 23, Morgan State 17
Jackson State 22, Bethune-Cookman 16	Virginia State 33, Livingstone 7
Johnson C. Smith 27, Lincoln (PA) 20	West Virginia State 31, Glenville State 21
Langston 47, Texas College 6	Winston-Salem State 30, Bluefield State 0
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24	
	Shaw 20, Elizabeth City State 17

# Most races just getting underway

## LUT WILLIAMS

BCSP Editor

And then there were four.  
**Virginia Union's** name was removed from the unbeaten list Saturday after falling to defending CIAA champ **Fayetteville State**, 10-7.  
 That leaves **Allen** (3-0), **Benedict** (4-0), **Tuskegee** (4-0) and **Virginia State** (4-0) as the only unbeaten teams as play heads this week to the last Saturday in September.  
 Conference races are just getting started.



## Double Trouble

**DYNAMIC DUO:** Junior RB Joel Felder (l.) and senior QB Donovan Riddick (r.) have propelled West Virginia State to a 3-1 start.

## SIAC

This year the SIAC did away with its East and West Divisions for football. It's 2023 championship game will match the teams with the best conference records. The league announced recently that the title game will be held on Nov. 11 at Lakewood Stadium in Atlanta.

At 3-0 in the SIAC, Tuskegee and **Fort Valley State** currently lead in the standings with Allen, Benedict, Miles and Albany State at 2-0.

Miles is at Central State Saturday (12 noon), Albany State is at **Kentucky State's** homecoming (2 p.m. on HBCUGO), Tuskegee is at **Alabama A&M's** homecoming (2 p.m. on HBCUGO), Allen hosts FVSU (6 p.m.) in a battle of unbeaten teams in conference play and Benedict hosts **Morehouse** (6 p.m.).

## SWAC

At 2-0 in SWAC play, **Florida A&M** leads the East and **Prairie View A&M** leads the West.

This Saturday, FAMU is at **Miss. Valley State** (6 p.m.) while **Prairie View** and **Grambling State** (2-2, 1-0 W) clash at the *State Fair Classic* in Dallas at 6 p.m. on ESPN+.

Southern (1-2, 1-0 W) is at **Arkansas-Pine Bluff** (4 p.m.), **Alabama State** hosts **Alcorn State** (5 p.m.) and winless **Texas Southern** has its homecoming (2 p.m.) vs. Lincoln (Ca.).

## OVC / BIG SOUTH

After a week off, **Tennessee State** (2-1, 1-0) gets back into action in the joint Ohio Valley/Big South Conference with a 6 p.m. date at back-to-back OVC champion UT-Martin (3-1, 2-0).  
**Eddie George's** TSU squad fell to UT-

## GAMES THIS WEEK

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30	
Central State vs. Miles in Wilberforce, OH	12n
W. Va. Wesleyan vs. West Virginia State in Buckhannon, WV	1p
SW Assemblies vs. Langston in Waxahachie, TX	2p
Clark Atlanta vs. Lane in Atlanta, GA	2p
Arkansas-Pine Bluff vs. Southern in Pine Bluff, AR	4p
Alabama State vs. Alcorn State in Montgomery, AL	5p
Miss. Valley State vs. Florida A&M in Itta Bena, MS	6p
North American vs. Texas College in Houston, TX	6p
Allen vs. Fort Valley State in Blythewood, SC	6p
Savannah State vs. Edward Waters in Savannah, GA	6p
Fort Hays State vs. Lincoln (MO) in Hays, KS	7p
Ave Maria vs. Florida Memorial in Ave Maria, FL	7p
TV / STREAMING GAMES	
Robert Morris vs. Howard in Moon Township, PA - ESPN+	12n
Yale vs. Morgan State in New Haven, CT - ESPN+	12n
Delaware State vs. VA-Lynchburg in Dover, DE - ESPN+	1p
Bluefield State vs. Fayetteville State in Bluefield, WV - CIAA TV	1p
Lincoln (PA) vs. Winston-Salem State in Lincoln University, PA - CIAA TV	1p
Saint Augustine's vs. Virginia Union in Raleigh, NC - CIAA TV	1p
Shaw vs. Virginia State in Durham, NC - CIAA TV	1p
Richmond vs. Hampton in Richmond, VA - FLOSports	2p
Norfolk State vs. NC A&T in Norfolk, VA - ESPN+	2p
NC Central vs. Campbell in Durham, NC - ESPN+	4p
Livingstone vs. Bowie State in Salisbury, NC - CIAA TV	4p
UT-Martin vs. Tennessee State in Martin, TN - ESPN+	6p
Benedict vs. Morehouse in Columbia, SC - Black College Sports Network	6p
CLASSICS	
<i>State Fair Classic</i>	
Grambling State vs. Prairie View A&M in Dallas, TX - ESPN+	6p
HOMECOMINGS	
Elizabeth City State vs. Johnson C. Smith in Elizabeth City, NC - CIAA TV	1p
Alabama A&M vs. Tuskegee in Huntsville, AL - HBCUGO	2p
Texas Southern vs. Lincoln (CA) in Houston, TX	2p
Kentucky State vs. Albany State in Frankfort, KY - HBCUGO	2p

Martin 20-3 last season.

## OTHERS

**West Virginia State** is 3-1 overall, 3-0 in the Mountain East Conference. The Yellow Jackets travel (12n) to winless W. Va. Wesleyan (0-3, 0-2) Saturday. Junior RB **Joel Felder** leads the conference with six rushing TDs and 137.0 rushing yards per game. Senior QB **Donovan Riddick** is completing 73% of his passes and has 8 TDs to 3 ints. He is averaging 249.5 passing yards per game. **Langston** (1-2, 1-1 SAC) is at SW Assemblies in a 4 p.m. start.

## UNDER THE BANNER

WHAT'S GOING ON IN AND AROUND BLACK COLLEGE SPORTS

### BLAKE BOZEMAN FELLED IN DC:

WASHINGTON, DC — Former **Morgan State** basketball player **Blake Bozeman**, 31, died Saturday just before midnight after gunfire broke out at a club in the 1300 block of H Street in NE Washington, D.C., according to the police.



Bozeman

First responders administered aid and Bozeman was taken to a hospital where he was pronounced dead. Two other men and a woman were also hit, and all were taken to hospitals, according to police.

Bozeman, a Bowie, Md., product, played four years as a starting guard for the Bears from 2011-15 where his father, **Todd**, was the program's winningest Division I coach. Blake finished his playing career ranked No. 2 on the school's all-time minutes leaderboard (3717), No. 4 in games played (123) and No 3 in 3-pointers made (183).'

Bozeman was productive both on the court, in the classroom and took pride in helping out in the community as well. He was selected to the 2015 Allstate NABC Good Works Team for his significant contributions to the greater good of their communities through volunteerism and civic service. He volunteered at Special Olympics events, refereed soccer games for the mentally challenged, and organized a dance for mentally disabled students.

### PRESEASON CIAA HOOPS PREDICTIONS:

CHARLOTTE, NC - The **Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association** (CIAA) introduced the 2023-24 All-CIAA Preseason Men's and Women's Basketball Teams, as voted on by the CIAA Basketball Coaches Associations and the Sports Information Directors Association, and the predicted order of finish as selected by the men's and women's head coaches. The preseason teams and predicted order were both unveiled during the CIAA Basketball Media Day in Baltimore on Monday.

#### WOMEN'S PREDICTED ORDER

1) ECSU 2) LINCPC 3) BSU 4) FSU 5) SHAW 6) CLAF 7) WSSU 8) VSU 9) JCSU 10) VUU 11) BLST 12) LC 13) SAU

#### WOMEN'S PRESEASON ALL-CIAA TEAM

BACKCOURT - Amaya Tucker, WSSU\*; Anyilah Bryant, FSU; NyAsia Blango, ECSU; Anii Harris, BSU; Kennedy Simmons, WSSU; FRONTCOURT - Anyssa Fields, LINCPC\*; Ny Langley, VUU \* Lauren Banks, SAU \*; Katerra Myers, BSU; Jessica Adams, ECSU; Saniha Jackson, BSU; Zoila Martinez, VUU

#### MEN'S PREDICTED ORDER

1) FSU 2) CLAF 3) VUU 4) WSSU 5) VSU 6) ECSU 7) LINCPC 8) SHAW 9) LIV 10) BSU 11) BLST 12) JCSU 13) SAU

#### MEN'S ALL-CIAA PRESEASON TEAM

BACKCOURT - Ezekiel Connedy, JCSU; DJ Thomas, SHAW; Jaquantae Harris, ECSU; Issac Parson, WSSU; Reggie Hudson, LINCPC FRONTCOURT - Tyler Foster, FSU; Khyree Temple, LIV; Nemo Johnson, SAU; Jaylen Alston, WSSU; Tre Richardson, ECSU; Shayne Saigo, SHAW; Tahj Harding, VUU

## TOP PERFORMANCES

FROM HBCU GAMES OF SEPTEMBER 21 - 23, 2023

### PASSING

Player	COMP-ATT-INT	YDS	TDs (YDS)
David Wright, ALL	28-51-3	370	0
Quincy Casey, AA&M	27-33-0	328	3 (6, 29, 5)
Corey Fields Jr., SCSU	19-25-1	301	3 (34, 21, 35)
Jeremy Moussa, FLAM	25-40-0	294	2 (24, 36)
Aaron Allen, ALC	26-37-0	287	2 (19, 49)
Damon Stewart, ALST	23-38-1	289	1 (47)
Jyron Russell, EWU	18-24-1	280	1 (70)
Marquis Adams, DSU	21-33-0	274	2 (50, 10)
Walker Harris, NCCU	17-28-0	263	5 (16, 2, 23, 7, 35)
E. Kleinpeter Jr., MILES	15-20-0	260	4 (38, 24, 47, 14)

### RUSHING

Player	CAR	YDS	TDs (YDS)
Chance Williams, GSU	19	174	2 (11, 1)
Irv Mulligan, JSU	21	174	1 (66)
Daquan Kinsey, MILES	19	161	0
Curtis Allen, VUU	30	155	0
Donovan Eaglin, AA&M	19	126	1 (1)
Kylan Duhe, LANE	22	123	2 (27, 3)
Joel Felder, WVU	28	120	2 (1, 8)
Carleton Stewart, BSU	32	116	0
Denim Johnson, KSU	16	111	1 (52)
Beau Harrington, ALL	15	110	1 (1)

### RECEIVING

Player	REC	YDS	TDs
Jacquez Jones, LANE	9	138	0
Johnny Jones, EWU	9	138	0
Khyleem Waleed, DSU	4	125	0
Jeremiah Flores, CSU	6	124	1 (43)
Joe Jones, WVU	3	112	1 (93)
Kisean Johnson, ALST	8	112	0
Markel Cotton, KSU	6	111	0
Deyandre Ruffin, ALL</			