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WHY NOT COACH ROB?: Legendary Grambling Coach's lasting effect on Super Bowl and pro football merits HOF nod.

MEN'S 2025-26 BLACK COLLEGE BASKETBALL (Standings & Players of the Week)

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PLAYERS OF THE WEEK	OFFENSE Jacob Cooper , 5-8, Sr., G, VSU - 17 points, 2 rebounds, 5 assists, 1 steal vs. Bluefield State, 12 points, 2 rebounds, 14 assists, 3 steals vs. Lincoln.	DEFENSE Terrell Williams , 6-3, Sr., G, FSU - Averaged 13.5 points, 14.0 rebounds, 7.5 assists, 3.0 steals in two wins with 17 points, 10 rebounds, 10 assists, 4 steals vs. WSSU Tuesday, 6 points with 18 rebounds, 5 assists, 2 steals vs. Clafin.	PLAYERS OF THE WEEK Cedric Taylor III , 6-7, Jr., G, HOW - Averaged 24.0 points and 9.0 rebounds in two wins as he tied for game-high with 27 points on 9 of 10 shooting, 1 of 1 3s, 8 of 9 FTs, 9 rebounds 2 assists and 3 steals in home win vs. Norfolk State, 21 points, 9 rebounds, 2 assists and blocks at Coppin State. Bryce Harris , 6-4, Gr., G, HOW - Was equally effective vs. NSU with 27 points on 8 of 11 shooting 2 of 2 3s, 9 of 10 FTs with 8 rebounds, 2 assists. Added 14 points, 4 rebounds, 3 assists in win vs. CSU.	PLAYERS OF THE WEEK JerMontae Hill , 6-6, Sr., F, MHS - In two wins, averaged 17.5 points and 5.5 rebounds with 16 points, 6 rebounds in win over Miles, 19 points, 5 rebounds in win over Tuskegee	PLAYERS OF THE WEEK Doctor Bradley , 6-8, Gr., G/F, B-CU - Averaged double-double of 14.0 points and 10.0 rebounds in two wins with 13 points, 10 rebounds in win vs. ALST, 15 points, 10 rebounds in win over ALA&M.	PLAYERS OF THE WEEK Antonio Munoz , 6-6, Fr., F, GSU - Had 10 points and 10 rebounds in Monday's win at Alcorn State, 15 points and 6 boards in win Saturday at Jackson State.	PLAYERS OF THE WEEK Aaron Nkruman , 6-6, R-Fr., F, TNST - In 1-1 week averaged 21.5 points and 7.5 rebounds with 21 points (7-12 FGs, 5-7 3s), 7 rebounds, 2 steals in loss vs. Tenn Tech, 22 points, 8 rebounds, 6 assists in win over Little Rock.																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																							

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WHAT'S GOING ON IN AND AROUND BLACK COLLEGE SPORTS

BOWIE STATE AD CLYDE DOUGHTY PASSES:

Bowie State University announced Tuesday afternoon that long time Vice President of Athletics and Recreation **Clyde Doughty Jr.** passed suddenly Tuesday morning.

According to reliable sources Doughty, 66, had recently had surgery and was at home recovering.

Doughty joined Bowie State in January 2015 as director of intercollegiate athletics and was elevated in 2018 to vice president for intercollegiate athletics and recreation, a role that placed him at the center of the school's NCAA Division II athletic operations.

Before arriving in Maryland, Doughty spent 38 years at New York Institute of Technology, first as a Division II student-athlete and later as a senior administrator. He earned a basketball scholarship to NYIT and played on teams that reached the NCAA Division II Tournament in 1978 and 1980. The 1980 group advanced to the national championship game, falling to Virginia Union.

After graduating, Doughty began his administrative career as an academic advisor to student-athletes in 1982. He became assistant director of athletics in 1984 and, in 1988, succeeded William T. Lai as NYIT's director of athletics and recreation.

At Bowie State, Doughty's leadership coincided with championship runs and NCAA postseason breakthroughs. The women's bowling program captured five consecutive CIAA titles and earned NCAA tournament berths in 2018 and 2019. Men's basketball won the CIAA title in 2017, women's basketball reached the NCAA Sweet Sixteen in 2018, and football posted three NCAA playoff appearances from 2017 through 2019 while winning back-to-back CIAA championships in 2018 and 2019.

Doughty often described academics as his top priority. In 2015 he developed the Athletic Academic Enhancement Program, later adding initiatives such as the AD's Honor Roll (for student-athletes with a 3.2 GPA or higher), the Bulldog Book Bank to help meet educational needs, and a mentorship program connecting student-athletes with faculty and alumni.

His influence extended beyond campus through NCAA service. Doughty held appointments on Division II committees, including work tied to graduation rates, championship administration, budget and finance, and diversity leadership. He also served for years as master of ceremonies for the NCAA Career in Sports Forum, a national event that introduces selected student-athletes to careers in sports.

Doughty held a bachelor's degree in business management and earned two master's degrees at NYIT, in human resource management and human relations. He was also pursuing a doctoral degree in educational leadership at Bowie State.

The case for Eddie Robinson to the Pro Football Hall of Fame

by Karl E. McDonald
Special to the BCSP

This Sunday (6:30 p.m. ET), the New England Patriots and Seattle Seahawks will meet at Levi's Stadium in Santa Clara, California after punching their tickets to Super Bowl LX with wins in the NFC and AFC conference championship games respectively.

Robert Kraft, the owner of the New England Patriots, should be congratulated for taking his team back to the big game after previously dominating the NFL Super Bowl for many years. Kraft has seen his team win six Super Bowls and play in four others – more than any owner in NFL history. This year's appearance is the Patriot's 12th in the Super Bowl (one before Kraft became owner).

In 2024, the late legendary Grambling Coach **Eddie Robinson** and Kraft were named as two of the 25 candidates selected for potential induction into the 2025 class of the Pro Football Hall of Fame in the contributor category. Kraft progressed to become one of nine semifinalists for that same class and was a finalist for the 2026 class but has not been selected. His former coach, Bill Belichick, who guided the Patriots to all six Super Bowl titles, was controversially also not selected this year in his first year of eligibility.

Also, in 2024, Tom Brady, the former New Patriots seven-time Super Bowl championship quarterback and arguably pro football's greatest winner, became part owner of the Las Vegas Raiders which now houses the Al Davis/Eddie Robinson Leadership Academy that was established in 2020.

Eddie Robinson and the Super Bowl

Robinson, Grambling's players, and its band have historically been a part of the NFL Super Bowl.

When Robinson retired in 1997, Paul

On the eve of Super Bowl LX, ruminations on why legendary coach Eddie Robinson deserves a place in the Pro Football Hall of Fame.

Tagliabue, the then NFL Commissioner, honored Robinson by inviting him to participate in Superbowl XXXII's honorary coin toss ceremony. Grambling great and Super Bowl MVP **Doug Williams** and Pro Football Hall of Fame Coach Joe Gibbs joined Coach Robinson in the ceremony.

When Robinson and Williams participated in that coin toss, they became the second and third Grambling greats who were honored to take part in the ceremony. Grambling standout and Pro Football Hall of Famer, **Willie Davis**, proceeded then in serving as an honorary coin toss participant in Super Bowl XXI. Davis also participated in the coin toss for Super Bowl I on January 15, 1967 as a co-captain of the Vince Lombardi led Green Bay Packers.

Robinson has also coached players who have been on rosters of almost all 32 NFL teams, including current Super Bowl participants, the New England Patriots and Seattle Seahawks. Former Grambling players **J. D. Garrett** and **Carlos Pennywell** played for the Patriots and **Richard Harris** played for the Seahawks.

Grambling's historic world-famous Marching Band has performed in at least six Super Bowls, including Super Bowls I and II.

Robinson, a college and pro football pioneer

Coach Robinson is a college and pro football pioneer who effectively operated at the intersection of both college and pro football. Robinson, who retired as the winningest coach in college football history and led college football in all-time coaching

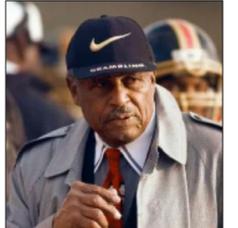
wins for nearly two decades and became the first college football coach to reach and surpass the 400-coaching wins plateau, also made historic marks on the game of pro football.

During Robinson's 57-year career as a college football coach, he trained the first player from a historically black college to enter the NFL, **Paul "Tank" Younger**; the first African American player to be drafted number one overall in a pro football draft, **Junious "Buck" Buchanan**; the first African American quarterback to start a season as QB-1 on an NFL team, **James "Shack" Harris**; and the first African American quarterback to start and win an NFL Super Bowl, Doug Williams.

Robinson also coached and trained over 200 pro football players, including four Pro Football Hall of Famers: namely, **Willie Brown**, **Willie Davis**, **Junious "Buck" Buchanan** and **Charlie Joiner**, with Brown and Davis included in the NFL's top 100 players of all-time.

Robinson and the Pro Football Hall of Fame

Finally, Coach Robinson and Grambling's rich tradition and historic collaboration with pro football and its showcase game, the Super Bowl, is singular in nature. The legendary coach's Super Bowl connections plus his numerous other contributions to the great game of pro football strongly supports the case that Robinson deserves a place in Canton, Ohio's Pro Football Hall of Fame.



BCSP Notes

SIAC fines Morehouse, legal action possible after postgame incident involving Tuskegee coach

ATLANTA — Following a comprehensive review of all available video, reports, and on-site observations, SIAC Commissioner **Anthony Holloman**, Ed.D., has concluded his investigation into the unfortunate incident that involved Tuskegee University head men's basketball coach **Benjy Taylor** and a member of the Morehouse College security staff at the conclusion of the men's basketball game this past Saturday.

Taylor was handcuffed and escorted off the floor by a Morehouse security guard after Tuskegee's 77-69 loss at Morehouse's Forbes Arena Saturday. Morehouse and Tuskegee are leaders on the SIAC East and West respectively.

The statement from Holloman reads: "In accordance with SIAC Policy 1.9 (Security), the conference determined that Morehouse College did not satisfy the required security standards for a host institution, specifically as it relates to crowd control and ensuring the safe entry and exit of visiting teams and game participants.

"As a result, the SIAC has imposed a fine on Morehouse College of an undisclosed amount and will require corrective measures to ensure full compliance with conference security policies moving forward."

Viral video shows Taylor speaking to law enforcement security after the game allegedly because Morehouse football players had been

harassing his players during the game and were improperly entering the postgame handshake line. After Taylor was handcuffed, Morehouse head coach **Larry Dixon** tried to intervene with the security guard to no avail. Taylor was not charged and later released to join his team.

Taylor has reportedly hired noted civil rights attorney Harry M. Daniels. In a press release from Daniels' law office Sunday, a spokesperson alleged that Taylor was handcuffed "needlessly" after he showed concern about a group of players from Morehouse's football team "acting aggressively" on the court towards Tuskegee players and their parents.

"Such behavior from the Moorhouse football players, particularly their intermingling with the basketball players on the court and during the postgame handshake is prohibited by conference-mandated security protocols," the statement said. "When Coach Taylor asked two police officers to enforce those protocols attempting to diffuse an increasingly dangerous situation, however, one of the officers chose to place him in handcuffs and escort him from the court."

"It would be bad for a police officer to treat anyone like this," Harry Daniels said. "But to do it to a man like Coach Taylor, a highly respected professional and role model, to put him in handcuffs, humiliate him and treat him like a criminal in front of his team, his family and a gym full of fans is absolutely disgusting and they need to be held accountable."

Taylor has reportedly also hired attorneys Gregory Reynald Williams and Gerald Griggs to represent him.

The three say they are currently investigating all legal avenues including a possible civil lawsuit.

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WHO ARE THE BEST PERFORMERS IN BLACK COLLEGE SPORTS

BLACK COLLEGE PLAYERS ON SUPER BOWL LX ROSTERS

NO. / NAME	SIZE	EXP	POS	SCHOOL
NEW ENGLAND				
#26 Terrell Jennings	6-0, 226	2nd	RB	Florida A&M

This season: 7 games, 23 carries, 73 yards, 3.1 yards per carry, 1 TD, 1 reception, 9 yards
Last season: 3 games, 13 carries, 33 yards, 2.5 yards per carry, 0 TD, 0 receptions

As of early February 2026, New England Patriots running back Terrell Jennings is on injured reserve following a concussion sustained in Week 13 against the Giants. Though he returned to practice in mid-January 2026, he remained on IR through the AFC Championship game and is questionable for Super Bowl LX due to a later hamstring issue.

• Injury Timeline: After appearing in 10 games, including scoring his first career TD, Jennings was placed on IR on December 13, 2025.

• Postseason Status: He was inactive for the Wild Card, Divisional, and AFC Championship games.

• Current Situation: As of late January 2026, he is working through a hamstring injury, and it is uncertain if he will be activated for the Super Bowl.

Jennings, an undrafted free agent from Florida A&M, proved to be a valuable depth running back for the 2025-26 Patriots season.



WOMEN'S 2025-26 BLACK COLLEGE BASKETBALL (Standings & Players of the Week)

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PLAYERS OF THE WEEK	OFFENSE Brianna Barnes , 6-2, Sr., F, UMES - Tallied 18 points and 5 rebounds in win over DSU with 13 points 5 boards in loss at NCCU.	DEFENSE Aniya Finger , 5-11, Gr., F, NCCU - Tallied 30 points, pulled down 12 rebounds and had six steals as Lady Eagles handed UMES its first MEAC loss Monday. Made 10 of 21 shots, 3 of 5 3s, 7 of 12 FTs in the win.	PLAYERS OF THE WEEK Lauren Lain , 5-9, Jr., G, LANE - Team-highs of 23 points, 12 rebounds and three blocks in win at Clark Atlanta Monday. Made 11 of 17 shots from the field.	PLAYERS OF THE WEEK Nakia Cheatham , 6-0, Gr., G/F, ALC - In two wins averaged 13.5 points and 9.0 rebounds with 9 points, 7 rebounds, 3 steals, 2 assists in win Saturday vs. Southern, 18 points, 11 rebounds, 7 assists, a block and 2 steals in win over Grambling Monday.	PLAYERS OF THE WEEK Janiyah Tucker , 5-7, So., G, LANG - UAPB transfer averaged 22.5 points with 19 points, 5 rebounds, 2 steals vs. SW Christian, 26 points, 3 rebounds, 2 steals vs. Oklahoma City.																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																		