

# BLACK COLLEGE SPORTS



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## THE BATTLES CONTINUE

**HIGH-FLYING FALCON:** St. Augustine's QB D. J. Johnson to lead Falcons into battle at Winston-Salem State homecoming.

**COHEN BECOMES ALL-TIME LEADING MEAC RUSHER; KEY TUSSELS IN ALL FOUR LEAGUES**

CIAA	CENTRAL INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION					
	DIV		CONF		ALL	
	W	L	W	L	W	L
NORTH DIVISION	1	0	3	0	4	2
Bowie State	1	0	3	0	4	2
Virginia Union	1	0	3	0	4	2
Chowan	0	1	2	1	4	2
Elizabeth City State	0	1	2	2	4	2
Lincoln	0	1	0	3	1	5
SOUTH DIVISION	1	0	3	0	4	2
Winston-Salem State	1	0	2	1	2	4
Saint Augustine's	1	0	2	1	2	4
Fayetteville State	1	0	1	2	1	5
Johnson C. Smith	0	1	1	2	1	5
Livingstone	0	1	0	3	1	5
Shaw	0	1	0	3	0	6

MEAC	MID EASTERN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE					
	CONF		ALL			
	W	L	W	L	W	L
N. Carolina Central	3	0	4	2		
NC A&T State	2	0	4	1		
Morgan State	2	0	2	2		
SC State	1	0	1	3		
Hampton	2	1	2	3		
# Savannah State	1	1	1	3		
Florida A&M	1	2	1	5		
Howard	1	2	1	5		
Bethune-Cookman	0	2	0	4		
Delaware State	0	2	0	5		
Norfolk State	0	3	1	5		

SIAC	SOUTHERN INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETIC CONFERENCE					
	DIV		CONF		ALL	
	W	L	W	L	W	L
EAST DIVISION	1	0	2	1	3	3
Benedict	1	0	2	1	3	3
Clark Atlanta	1	1	2	2	4	2
Albany State	0	0	1	1	2	3
Morehouse	0	1	1	3	2	4
Fort Valley State	0	2	1	3	1	5
WEST DIVISION	1	0	4	0	6	0
Tuskegee	1	0	4	0	6	0
Miles	1	0	2	1	3	2
Kentucky State	1	0	2	1	2	4
Lane	0	1	2	1	4	2
Central State	0	2	0	4	0	6

SWAC	SOUTHWESTERN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE					
	CONF		ALL			
	W	L	W	L	W	L
EAST DIVISION	2	1	2	3		
Jackson State	2	1	2	3		
Alcorn State	2	2	2	3		
Alabama A&M	1	4	1	5		
Alabama State	1	4	1	5		
Miss. Valley State	0	4	0	6		
WEST DIVISION	3	0	3	1		
Grambling State	3	0	3	1		
Southern	2	0	2	2		
Prairie View A&M	4	1	4	2		
Texas Southern	3	1	3	2		
Arkansas-Pine Bluff	1	2	1	4		

INDEPENDENTS	W		L	
	W	L	W	L
Tennessee State	4	1		
Langston	2	2		
Cheyney	1	5		
W. Va. State	1	5		
Edward Waters	0	4		
Lincoln (Mo.)	1	5		
Texas College	0	5		

### CIAA PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

**QB - D. J. Johnson, SAU** - 19 of 35, 244 yds., 3 TDs, 87 yards, 19 carries in win vs. Livingstone.  
**OL - Abraham Garcia, Sr., VUU** - Helped Hawks amass 650 yards of offense in win over JCSU.  
**OB - William Stanback, Sr., RB, VUU** - 17 carries, 142 yards, 3 TDs vs. Lincoln.  
**DL - Chaz Cosby, Jr., SAU** - 9 tackles, 1 forced fumble, 2 tackles for loss, one sack vs. Livingstone.  
**LB - Devon Hunt, Fr., SHAW** - 14 tackles, 3 for losses, 1 forced fumble vs. FSU.  
**WR - Sam Boyd, Jr., SAU** - 3 receptions, 97 yards, 60-yard TD vs. Livingstone.  
**DB - Carlo Thomas, Jr., JCSU** - 15 stops, 8 solos, 1 interception, fifth of the season.  
**SPECIAL - Sean Smith, So., PK, SAU** - Kicked game-winning PAT, 28-yard FG, avg. 35 yards on punts.  
**ROOKIE - Kahj Huitt, Fr., FS, JCSU** - 14 tackles, 7 solos, 3 for losses vs. WSSU.

### MEAC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

**OFFENSE**  
**Tarik Cohen, Sr., RB, NC A&T** - 23 carries, 200 yards, 62-yard TD run. Became MEAC all-time rushing leader.  
**Anthony Philyaw, Jr., RB, HOWARD** - Ran for 234 yards on 26 carries with 3 TDs vs. Mornouth.  
**DEFENSE**  
**Calvin Darville, R-Fr., DE, FAMU** - 7 tackles, six solos, 2 for losses, 1 forced fumble, 1 safety vs. NCCU.  
**ROOKIE**  
**Fatu Sus-Godin, Fr., WR, DELSTATE** - 5 receptions, 84 yards including a 23-yard TD catch vs. Hampton.  
**SPECIAL TEAMS**  
**Anthony Prevost, Sr., PK, HAMPTON** - 2 of 3 on FGs, 3 of 3 on PATs vs. DelState.  
**OFFENSIVE LINEMAN**  
**Darriel Mack, R-Jr., LT, NCA&T** - 92% grade, 4 pancakes, no sacks allowed vs. Norfolk State.

### SIAC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

**OFFENSE**  
**Kevin Lacey, Sr., QB, TU** - 18 of 29 for 300 yards, 4 TDs (16, 60, 50, 8) in win over Morehouse.  
**DEFENSE**  
**David Smith, So., LB, MHC** - 15 tackles, 28-yard fumble return TD vs. Tuskegee.  
**SPECIAL TEAMS**  
**Raul Martinez, Fr., PK, LANE** - Scored 13 points, 3 field goals (32, 25) including go-ahead 35-yard field goal vs. Benedict.  
**NEWCOMER**  
**Austin Stephens, Fr., LB, MILES** - 11 tackles, 8 solos, 2 for losses, 1 interception returned 40 yards.

### SWAC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

**OFFENSE**  
**Lenorris Footman, Jr., QB, ALCORN** - 10 carries, 122 rushing yards, 3 TDs, 8 of 13 passing for 132 passing yards, 2 TDs, 2 ints.  
**DEFENSE**  
**DeVonn Reed, R-Jr., DT, PVA&M** - 5 tackles, 2 sacks for -7 yards, 3 assists vs. Alabama State.  
**SPECIAL TEAMS**  
**Trevor Vincent, Jr., P, ALABAMA ST.** - 8 punts for 330 yards (42.5 avg.), long of 60 yards, two downed inside the 20.  
**NEWCOMER**  
**Trae Ferrell, So., LB, ALCORN ST.** - 6 stops, 1 sack, 2 tackles for loss vs. Alabama A&M.

### PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

**OFFENSE**  
**Ronald Butler, Sr., QB, TENN. STATE** - 15 of 27 for 303 yards and 2 TDs with a pick and ran for a TD vs. Eastern Illinois.  
**DEFENSE**  
**Chris Collins, DB, TENN. STATE** - 12 tackles, 3 solos, 1 interception and 1 break-up vs. EIU.  
**SPECIAL TEAMS**  
**Lane Clark, PK, TENN. STATE** - Hit 37- and 52-yard field goals and four PATs in loss to Eastern Illinois.  
**ROOKIE**  
**Steven Newbold, Fr., WR, TENN. STATE** - Caught four passes for 121 yards and a 44-yard TD catch in loss to E. Illinois.

## SCORES

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6**  
 N. C. A&T 35, Norfolk State 0  
 Bowie State 21, Chowan 14  
**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7**  
 Virginia St. 44, Elizabeth City St. 38  
**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8**  
**CIAA**  
 Fayetteville State 7, Shaw 6  
 Virginia Union 39, Lincoln (PA) 6  
**SIAC**  
 Kentucky State 26, Ft. Valley St. 10  
 Lane 19, Benedict 18  
 Miles 36, Central State 9  
 Tuskegee 28, Morehouse 19  
**MEAC**  
 Hampton 27, Delaware State 17  
 Monmouth 59, Howard 17  
 N. C. Central 17, Florida A&M 13  
 B-CU vs. SC State - Ppd. to 11/26  
 Sav. St. vs. Morgan St. - Ppd. to 11/26  
**SWAC**  
 Alcorn State 42, Alabama A&M 19  
 Montana 57, Miss. Valley State 7  
 Pr. View 24, Alabama St. 17, 2 OT  
**INDEPENDENTS**  
 E. Illinois 35, Tennessee State 34  
 Lock Haven 51, Cheyney 12  
 Lyon College 35, Texas College 21  
 Notre Dame 48, W. Va. State 21  
 St. Joseph's 27, Lincoln (MO) 17  
**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9**  
 St. Augustine's 38, Livingstone 37  
 W-Salem State 15, J. C. Smith 14

# Races heat up in all four conferences

## LUT WILLIAMS

BCSP Editor

Hurricane Matthew caused more than a little damage and quite a bit of havoc to football schedules last week and is also affecting schedules this week.

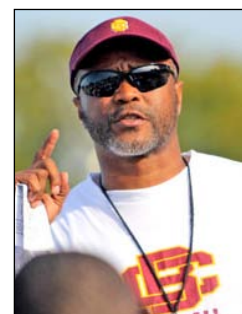
Two MEAC games from last week - **Morgan State at Savannah State** and **Bethune-Cookman at South Carolina State** - had to be postponed due to the hurricane and have been re-scheduled for Thanksgiving Saturday, Nov. 26. Four other games last week were switched from Saturday to Thursday, Friday or Sunday due to the weather.

This week's MEAC game between BCSP No. 1 **North Carolina A&T** and **Bethune-Cookman** scheduled for Daytona Beach, Fla. on Thursday has been reset for Saturday at 1 p.m.

The Daytona Beach area, the B-CU campus and the city's Memorial Stadium were hit hard by Matthew. Power was lost at both venues, the press box at the stadium had windows blown out and



NC A&T Sports Photo



Bethune-Cookman Sports Photo

**HEAT AT THE BEACH:** Head coach Terry Sims' (r.) Wildcats of Bethune-Cookman will have to slow down NC A&T MEAC rushing leader Tarik Cohen (l.) to come away with a win Saturday. The game is to be streamed live (1 p.m.) on ESPN3 and re-aired on ESPNU at 10:30 p.m.

had damage to its tower roof. League officials decided to move the game to Saturday to give the school and the stadium as much time as possible to resume normal operations.

The game was set to be carried live on ESPN3 Thursday but will now be streamed live on ESPN3 Saturday and re-aired at 10:30 p.m Saturday on ESPNU.

The game is a match up of two of the three MEAC tri-champions from last season. But, while A&T (4-1, 2-0 MEAC) has gotten off to a great start including a four-overtime win over FBS member Kent State and is 15th in this week's STATS FCS national poll, B-CU (0-4, 0-2) has yet to crack the winner's circle.

BCSP No. 2 **Grambling State** (3-1, 3-0 SWAC W), who is off for the second straight week, is the only other black college team in the STATS FCS Top 25, at 25th.

The slow start by second-year head coach **Terry Sims'** B-CU Wildcats can be attributed to injuries at key positions. Starting quarterback **Larry Brihm** and back-up **Anthony Cruz** have both been battling injuries as has featured running back **Mike Jones**, who has yet to play this season. Freshman **Arkevious Williams** is expected to take most of the snaps for B-CU. The 'Cats are averaging an anemic 17.0 points per game.

The Aggies lead the MEAC at 37.6 points per contest led by dynamic running back **Tarik Cohen's** 134 yards per game and 7 touchdowns. Cohen is the top MEAC scorer at 8.4 points per game. A&T also tops the league in rushing defense (81.0 ypg.), total defense (305.6 ypg.), scoring defense (20.6 ppg.) and rushing offense (198.0 ypg.).

The other 2015 tri-champion, BCSP No. 3

**North Carolina Central** (4-2, 3-0), has homecoming (2 p.m.) Saturday vs. **Savannah State** (1-3, 1-1). **Delaware State** and **Hampton** also square off at their homecomings Saturday. DSU (0-5, 0-2) hosts **Florida A&M** (1-5, 1-2) while Hampton (2-3, 2-1) entertains **Morgan State** (2-2, 2-0). Also, **Howard** (1-5, 1-2) is playing host to BCSP No. 7 **South Carolina State** (1-3, 1-0).

The main CIAA North Division contenders are set to meet this Saturday.

Division co-leader and BCSP No. 9 **Bowie State** (4-2, 3-0 CIAA, 1-0 N) hosts **Virginia State** (5-1, 2-1), who is also 1-0 in the North, at homecoming. The BSU/VSU match up will be carried live on *ASPIRE Network* at 2 p.m.

At 1 p.m., **Chowan** (4-2, 2-1, 0-1) plays host to co-leader and BCSP No. 10 **Virginia Union** (4-2, 3-2, 1-0) in Murfreesboro, N. C. (1 p.m.).

South Division co-leaders **Winston-Salem State** (4-2, 3-0, 1-0 S) and **Saint Augustine's** (2-4, 2-1, 1-0 S) meet at WSSU's homecoming (1:30 p.m.). **Fayetteville State** (1-5, 1-2), also at 1-0 in the South, hosts (1 p.m.) **Johnson C. Smith** (1-5, 1-2, 0-1).

The SWAC features East vs. West tussles in all but one of its games. BCSP No. 6 and West co-leader **Southern** (2-2, 2-0 W) is at East Division leader **Jackson State** (2-3, 2-1) in a 6 p.m. start. **Alcorn State** (2-3, 2-2), just a half-game behind JSU in the East, has its homecoming (2 p.m.) vs. **Texas Southern** (3-2, 2-1 W). **Arkansas-Pine Bluff** (1-4, 1-2 W) brings in **Alabama A&M** (1-5, 1-4 E) for its homecoming (2:30 p.m.).

**Alabama State** (1-5, 1-4 E) is at home (2 p.m.) against **Mississippi Valley State** (0-5, 0-4 E) in an East Division battle.

BCSP No. 5 **Tennessee State** (4-1, 1-1 OVC) has its homecoming (6 p.m.) Saturday vs. Eastern Kentucky (2-3, 1-1).

BCSP No. 4 **Tuskegee** (6-0, 4-0, 1-0 W) is the only unbeaten team left in black college football and is up to No. 5 in the AFCA Div. II National Coaches Poll. The Golden Tigers are 10th in the D2football.com top 25. They are off this week.

In **SIAC** East games, **Benedict** (3-3, 2-1, 1-0) plays at **Clark Atlanta's** (4-2, 2-2, 1-1 E) homecoming (2 p.m.) with the division lead at stake. **Morehouse** (2-4, 1-3, 0-1) hosts **Albany State** (2-3, 1-1, 0-0) in Atlanta (2 p.m.).

In the West two homecomings are on tap. **Kentucky State** (2-4, 2-0, 1-0) has its homecoming vs. **Miles** (3-2, 2-1, 1-0) at 2 p.m. while **Central State** (0-6, 0-4, 0-2) has homecoming (1 p.m.) vs. **Lane** (4-2, 2-0, 0-1).

## BCSP TOP TEN

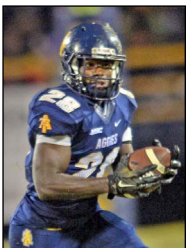
- 1. NORTH CAROLINA A&T** (4-1) - Shutout Norfolk State, 35-0. **NEXT:** Thursday night game at Bethune-Cookman moved to Saturday.
- 2. GRAMBLING STATE** (3-1) - Bye week. **NEXT:** Another bye week.
- 3. NORTH CAROLINA CENTRAL** (4-2) - Got by Florida A&M, 17-13. **NEXT:** Hosting Savannah State.
- 4. TUSKEGEE** (6-0) - Stayed unbeaten with 28-19 win over Morehouse. **NEXT:** Bye week.
- 5. TENNESSEE STATE** (4-1) - Nipped by Eastern Illinois, 35-34. **NEXT:** Homecoming vs. Eastern Kentucky.
- 6. SOUTHERN** (2-2) - Bye week. **NEXT:** At Jackson State.
- 7. SOUTH CAROLINA STATE** (1-3) - Game vs. Bethune-Cookman postponed, re-scheduled for Nov. 26. **NEXT:** At Howard.
- 8. PRAIRIE VIEW A&M** (4-2) - Defeated Alabama State 24-17 in OT. **NEXT:** Bye week.
- 9. BOWIE STATE** (4-2) - Defeated Chowan Thursday, 21-14. **NEXT:** Hosting Virginia State for homecoming.
- 10. VIRGINIA UNION** (4-2) - Handled Lincoln (Pa.) 36-9. **NEXT:** At Chowan.

## UNDER THE BANNER

WHAT'S GOING ON IN AND AROUND BLACK COLLEGE SPORTS

### COHEN BREAKS MEAC RUSHING MARK:

North Carolina A&T senior running back **Tarik Cohen**



Tarik Cohen

**Cohen** ran for 200 yards on 23 carries Thursday night on ESPNU in a win over **Norfolk State** and with that output passed former **South Carolina State** running back **Wil Ford** to become the **Mid Eastern Athletic Conference's** all-time career rushing leader.

Cohen, who has three 1,000-yard seasons under his belt, now has 670 yards this season, an MEAC-best 134.2 yards per game. He now totals 4,701 yards in his career. Ford ran for 4,660 yards in his SCSU career from 2006 thru 2009.

The rushing total for Cohen is also fifth-best all-time on the HBCU rushing list. Still ahead of Cohen is HBCU career rushing leader **Richard Huntley** with 6,286 yards during his career (1992-95) at **Winston-Salem State**.

With six regular season games left on his schedule and perhaps one bowl or playoff game, Cohen needs less than 300 yards to become the MEAC's first 5,000-yard rusher and needs 452 yards to move into second all-time on the black college rushing list.

In addition to Huntley, Cohen now only trails **Albany's State's Antonio Leroy** (5,152), **Tennessee State's Charles Anthony** (5,057) and **Virginia Union's Andre Braxton** (4,989) (See STAT CORNER below).

## TOP PERFORMANCES

FROM GAMES LAST WEEK

PASSING					
Ronald Butler, TNS	15-27	303 yards	2 TDs	1 int.	
Kevin Lacey, TUS	18-29	300 yards	4 TDs	1 int.	
Johnathan McCrary, CAU	22-39	289 yards	3 TDs	1 int.	
Daquan Neal, ECS	21-50	275 yards	2 TDs	0 int.	
Jaylan Williamson, HAM	17-22	252 yards	1 TD	0 int.	
D. Epperson, DSU	18-30	245 yards	1 TD	0 int.	
D. J. Johnson, SAU	19-35	244 yards	3 TDs	0 int.	
Xavier Longerbeam, LIV	17-24	229 yards	4 TDs	1 int.	
Harold Herbin, JCS	12-27	213 yards	2 TDs	2 int.	
Randall Dixon, CHOW	12-27	195 yards	2 TDs	0 int.	
David Whipple, MIL	16-29	193 yards	3 TDs	0 int.	

RUSHING			
Anthony Philyaw, HOW	26 carries	234 yards	3 TDs
George Myers Jr., BEN	28 carries	222 yards	1 TD
Tarik Cohen, NCA	23 carries	200 yards	1 TD
Te'Vaughn Hurse, WSS	21 carries	199 yards	0 TD
Tyree Lee, CHO	30 carries	158 yards	0 TD
Marcus Holliday, LAN	26 carries	142 yards	0 TD
William Stanback, VUU	17 carries	142 yards	2 TDs
Kavon Bellamy, VSU	23 carries	147 yards	2 TD
Jamari Clark, FVS	18 carries	129 yards	0 TD
Eric Carter, HAM	13		