



NCAA Sports Logos

THE RITES OF SPRING

DEL STATE'S LAVAN PASSES; SPRING SPORTS CHAMPS CROWNED IN ALL FOUR CONFERENCES

SPRING INTO ACTION: Champs crowned in SIAC tennis, track and golf, SWAC golf, CIAA golf and tennis and MEAC golf.

2018 BLACK COLLEGE BASEBALL (Results, Standings and Weekly Honors)

SCORES

SATURDAY, 4/21		MVSU 5, ALC 0	
MEAC	ALC 11, MVSU 10		
NC A&T 13, AL A&M 1			
FAMU 5, SSU 2	FRIDAY, 4/20		
FAMU 9, SSU 8	MEAC		
DSU 5, UMES 4	NC A&T 15, ALA&M 5		
DSU 9, UMES 5	SIAC		
NSU 5, CSU 1	ALBST 21, PNE 4		
CSU 7, NSU 4	CAU 15, MHS 5		
B-CU 6, NCCU 0	MIL 18, LOC 2		
B-CU 5, NCCU 0	CLAF 16, BEN 6		
SWAC	SHC 12, KSU 8		
TSU 23, PVA&N 0	SWAC		
UAPB 5, OK HNDL 1	GSU 11, SU 5		
UAPB 11, OK HNDL 1	TSU 18, PV A&M 11		
SU 1, GSU 0	JSU 9, ALST 7		
GSU 11, SU 6	UAPB 5, OK PNHL 1		
ALST 14, JSU 6	NC A&T 15, ALA&M 5		
JSU 14, ALST 13	ALC 11, MVSU 4		

MEAC

	MID EASTERN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE				
	CONF	ALL	W	L	T
NORTHERN					
Coppin State	13	3	14	18	0
Norfolk State	10	7	13	22	0
Delaware State	5	11	7	29	0
Maryland-E. Shore	5	12	9	30	0
SOUTHERN					
Florida A&M	11	5	18	22	0
North Carolina A&T	9	5	21	18	0
Bethune-Cookman	10	7	16	24	0
North Carolina Central	7	10	22	20	0
Savannah State	2	12	5	24	0

PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

PLAYER
Willis McDaniel, Jr., FAMU - Hit .417 (5-for-12) with 8 RBI, 3 runs, 2 HRs in 3-game sweep over Sav. State.
Dawnoven Smith, Jr., NCA&T - In 4-1 week, hit .529 (10-for-19) with 3-3 hit games, 4 RBI, 9 runs scored and a HR.
PITCHER
Anthony Maldonado, So., B-CU - Pitched 3-hit shutout with 8 Ks vs. NCCU.
Darnell Maisonnitt, Jr., DSU - Threw a 6-hit shutout to complete the Hornets' three-game sweep of UMES with 11 Ks.
ROOKIE
Aaron Robinson, Fr., NSU - went 2-for-2 in the second game of a doubleheader against Coppin State, driving in a career-high three runs and scoring twice with a HR.

SIAC

	SOUTHERN INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETIC CONFERENCE			
	CONF	ALL	W	L
EAST				
Albany State	13	4	22	16
Claffin	10	4	14	26
Paine	8	9	15	20
Benedict	7	8	17	16
Clark Atlanta	7	11	14	22
Morehouse	4	13	13	26
WEST				
Miles	16	1	27	17
Spring Hill	15	1	24	16
Kentucky State	8	8	17	20
Tuskegee	7	11	12	28
LeMoyné-Owen	3	13	4	27
Lane	1	18	6	33

PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

PLAYER
Xavius Burden, Sr., 3B, MILES - In 4-2 week, hit .542 (13-of-24) with 3 HRs, a double, 9 runs scored and 12 RBI.
PITCHER
Dylan Johnson, Sr., MILES - Johnson (8-3) had two wins and 3.00 ERA in 12 innings with 13 K.

SWAC

	SOUTHWESTERN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE			
	DIV	ALL	W	L
EAST				
Jackson State	15	6	26	14
Alabama State	15	6	21	19
Miss. Valley State	9	9	11	23
Alcorn State	5	13	10	29
Alabama A&M	4	14	7	33
WEST				
Texas Southern	12	4	18	22
Grambling State	13	8	21	19
Arkansas Pine Bluff	9	8	16	17
Prairie View A&M	5	12	9	26
Southern	5	13	8	26

PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

HITTER
Gustavo Rios, Sr., 1B, ALAB. STATE - Hit .566 (10-for-18) in six games with pair of doubles, 1 HR, 5 runs scored and 11 RBI. Finished the week slugging .833 and had an on-base percentage of .609, while recording a stolen base.
PITCHER
Carlos Lopez, Jr., RHP, ALCORN STATE - Vs. MVSU, went 7 innings allowing 2 earned runs on 4 hits. Got the win to improve to 3-2 on the season.

UNDER THE BANNER

WHAT'S GOING ON IN AND AROUND BLACK COLLEGE SPORTS

BENEDICT (W), MOREHOUSE (M) TAKE TRACK TITLES:

ALBANY, Ga. – The **Benedict** women and **Morehouse** men captured **SIAC** Outdoor Track and Field Championships Monday.

Benedict was spurred by senior sprinter **Phoebe Johnson** who had first place finishes in the 200 meters and 400 meters while junior **Becky Dionisio** won the 10,000, 1500 and 800 meters to take home the *Cleve Abbot Award* as the outstanding and high point track performer.

Jasmine Bowzer of **Clark Atlanta** finished second in the heptathlon and also placed in the triple jump (4th) and high jump (4th) to win the outstanding field performer award. Benedict finished with 13 total first place and 219 points overall to claim its second consecutive title outdistancing second-place **Albany State** (144).

Morehouse finished with 10 first-place finishes to claim its championship with 187 points. Benedict was second with 171.5 points. Morehouse was led by junior jumper/sprinter, **John Burns** and freshmen, **Dobbin Bookman** and **Dedrick Vanover**. Benedict finished second.

Cervantes Jackson won the decathlon, was fourth in the pole vault, second in the high jump, second in the triple jump, third in the 110-meter hurdles and was a part of the winning 4x100 meter relay team to take the outstanding field performer award. **Central State's Emmanuel Birgen** was named the top track performer.

BENEDICT SWEEPS SIAC TENNIS:

PEACHTREE CITY, Ga. – The **Benedict** College men's and women's tennis teams swept the **SIAC** Championships last week at the Peachtree Tennis Center.

The men picked up their fourth consecutive title in a 6-1 victory over **Morehouse**, while the women's team's six seniors captured their third straight championship trophy in a 5-2 win over **Clark Atlanta**.

For the men, it was also the third straight year Benedict has beaten Morehouse in the title match. The Tigers won all three doubles matches by 8-0 scores to take a commanding 3-0 lead heading into singles play.

Benedict's **Quentin Eloise** was named the tournament's Most Outstanding Player. Joining Eloise on the All-Tournament team were teammates **Nikola Aleksic**, **Julius Mutetwa** and **Taj Ballantyne**. Benedict coach **Gary Taylor** was named the tournament's Most Outstanding Coach.

In the women's competition, Benedict's **Caroline Ngyu**, the SIAC Player of the Year, was named the tournament's Most Outstanding Player, while **Viktoria Izakova** and **Karla Flores** were All-Tournament selections. Taylor was named the tournament's Most Outstanding Coach. Benedict's sweep results in both teams earning the SIAC's automatic bid to the NCAA Division II Men's and Women's Championships.

ALBANY STATE REPEATS IN SIAC GOLF:

PEACHTREE CITY, Ga. – **Albany State** successfully defended its championship title in the **Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference** (SIAC) Golf Championship last Wednesday at the Flat Creek Golf Course, finishing the three-day event with a score of 987.

The Golden Rams earned the conference's automatic bid to the NCAA Division II Men's Golf Championships on May 8-9th.

Tyler Hanson, all-tournament MVP, took home the individual title after shooting a 1-over 73 on Tuesday. The Albany native was the only golfer on the field to shoot in the 70s in all three rounds.

ASU head coach **Gary Hilton** was named Outstanding Coach. Behind Albany State, **Miles** finished second (1000). **Benedict** was third (1005).

BCSP Spring Notes

Shaw claims CIAA women's Tennis championship

Bowie, MD – The **Shaw** Lady Bears (21-2) claimed their second straight **Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association** (CIAA) Championship taking a 5-0 win over the **Johnson C. Smith** Golden Bulls (16-11).

"We are the defending champions so we knew what we had coming in," Shaw head coach **Sunday Enitan** said. "Johnson C. Smith has a good team and we knew that they would bring their 'A' game and we had to match their intensity and the girls did that today."

The Lady Bears forged a 3-0 lead in doubles heading into singles play and lost just three games in winning two singles matches.

Daniele Vanko was honored as the 2018 CIAA Women's Tennis Championship MVP.

Livingstone Captures CIAA Golf Championship

New Kent, VA – **Livingstone** was named the 2018 **Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association** Golf Champion after posting a two-round score of 635 (+59) at The Club at Viniterra course in New Kent, Virginia. The championship crown is the team's 8th title in school history and first since 2015.

The Blue Bears kept a steady pace, marking a 317 in Round 1 and only tacking on one extra stroke for a total of 318 in the second and final round.

Isaiah Shaw of **Fayetteville State** was crowned Low Medalist of the championship event. His two-day score of 153 was 9 strokes above par, earning a No. 2 CIAA golf season ranking with his 75.67 strokes/round average. Shaw held off **VUU's Robel Woldagabriel**, who also marked 153 strokes in the tournament, in a sudden death tiebreaker for the Low Medalist award.

Alabama State Wins SWAC Women's Golf

ALEXANDRIA, La. – The **Alabama State** Lady Hornets captured its fifth SWAC women's golf title in the last six seasons on Sunday, with a two day total of 626 strokes (+50).

Chanelle Avaricio of the Lady Hornets was awarded low medalist honors. The senior from Paranaque, Philippines beat out teammate **Nia Station** by one shot, finishing six over par for the tournament and a two day total of 150. It was the fourth straight year Avaricio has won low medalist honors.

Station was named Freshman of the Year, finishing at +7 for the championship and made a late charge for low medalist, by shooting the low round of the day with a 74.

Alabama State Head Coach **Dr. Gary Grandison** was named the 2018 SWAC Women's Golf Coach of the Year.

Prairie View A&M Wins SWAC Men's Golf Title

ALEXANDRIA, La. – **Prairie View A&M** captured its first SWAC golf championship since 1979 on Wednesday at Oak Wing Golf Club in Alexandria, La., finishing with a team score of 891 (+27) and won by 31 shots. This is the first SWAC title that the Panthers have won this academic year.

Alabama State finished the championship in second place, with a three day total of 922 (+58), **Texas Southern** came in third place, finishing with a three day total of 927 (+63).

Laurence Crea from **Prairie View A&M** won low medalist honors. He shot a final round 77 to finish at four over par and win by one shot over teammate **John Jones**, who finished at five over for the tournament. Crea was also named the Freshman of the Year as the highest placing freshman in the field.

Zane Brooks of **Prairie View A&M** finished in third place, finishing at six over par for the tournament. **Alexandre Belanger** of **Alabama State** finished in fourth at 12 over par. **Tom McLaughlin** of **Texas Southern** and **David Baker Jr.** of **Prairie View A&M** rounded out the top five, finishing in a tie for fifth, which placed them both on All-SWAC first team.

Prairie View A&M head coach **Kevin Jennings** was named the men's golf Coach of the Year.

2018 BLACK COLLEGE SOFTBALL (Standings and Weekly Honors)

CIAA

	CENTRAL INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION				
	DIV	CONF	ALL	W	L
NORTH					
Chowan	9	0	15	0	26
Virginia Union	7	3	10	6	15
Virginia State	6	4	12	4	17
Bowie State	5	4	7	8	12
Elizabeth City State	1	9	2	14	28
Lincoln	1	9	1	15	3
SOUTH					
St. Augustine's	7	1	11	3	14
Fayetteville State	7	1	10	4	11
Winston-Salem State	4	4	7	7	9
Shaw	4	2	8	4	10
J. C. Smith	4	6	7	9	17
Livingstone	0	8	1	13	1

PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

OFFENSIVE
NA
DEFENSIVE
NA
PITCHER
Tia Robinson, Fr., WSSU - Threw a perfect 5-inning no-hitter in 10-0 win over Livingstone with 10 Ks.
COACH
NA

MEAC

	MID EASTERN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE				
	CONF	ALL	W	L	T
NORTHERN					
Morgan State	12	2	24	14	0
Hampton	7	4	18	20	0
Coppin State	8	5	12	19	0
Delaware State	8	6	10	26	0
Norfolk State	8	7	19	26	0
Howard	3	10	5	35	0
Maryland-E. Shore	1	12	4	30	0
SOUTHERN					
Florida A&M	11	1	20	24	0
Bethune-Cookman	9	3	24	24	0
Savannah State	5	6	10	19	0
North Carolina Central	4	7	13	24	0
North Carolina A&T	4	7	7	31	0
South Carolina State	1	10	1	24	0

PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

PLAYER **Alana VanDenBurg, Sr., OF, HAMP** - Hit .400 (6-for-15) in 4-1 week with 2 RBI, 3 SB vs. NCCU.
PITCHERS **Amy Begg, Sr., MSU** - Had 3-0 week with 0.00 ERA and 15 Ks, 3 complete games allowing 0.88 batting average. Pitched 2-hit shutout vs. Villanova and had 13 Ks in two wins over UMES.
Courtney Mirabella, NCCU - Was 4-1 on week with 46 Ks, 13 vs. NSU and threw no-hitter vs. SC State, 17 Ks, Fanned 27 in SCSU series, 17 vs. NSU.
ROOKIE
Trinity Gibbs, Fr., OF, HOW - Hit .625 with 5 hits, 3 RBI, 2 doubles, 2 runs scored vs. DelState. Posted a .700 on-base percentage and an .875 slugging percentage.

SIAC

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Albany State	18	0	24	20
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Benedict	8	7	23	10
Clark Atlanta	6	11	6	23
Fort Valley State	6	12	16	16
Paine	0	19	5	20
EAST				
Spring Hill	18	1	23	14
Miles	11	5	11	29
Tuskegee	9	10	10	34
Kentucky State	8	8	12	18
Lane	7	12	8	21
LeMoyné-Owen	2	17	6	28

PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

PLAYER
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PITCHER
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SWAC

	SOUTHWESTERN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE			
	DIV	ALL	W	L
EASTERN				
Alcorn State	8	3	11	27
Alabama A&M	9	5	19	15
Alabama State	7	4	17	25
Miss. Valley State	5	8	10	28
Jackson State	2	13	8	29
WESTERN				
Texas Southern	10	2	19	11
Arkansas Pine Bluff	11	6	15	24
Prairie View A&M	10	6	12	19
Southern	6	8	14	19
Grambling State	0	13	10	24

PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

HITTER
Victoria Tyler, Jr., 3B, ALCORN STATE - Hit .429 (6-of-14) with 2 doubles, 6 RBI and 2 runs scored. Had 3 multi-hit games.
PITCHER
Jasmine Fulmore, Sr., TEXAS SOUTHERN - Was 1-1 in two starts pitching 2-hit shutout vs. Southern with six Ks, her third shutout of the season. Allowed 9 hits in two starts with 2 earned runs. Had league-best 1.67 ERA.