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LEAGUE-WIDE CHALLENGES ON TAP

CONNELL MAYNOR: New Alabama A&M head coach and his Bulldogs challenge SWAC East kingpin Alcorn State at homecoming in Huntsville, Alabama.

KEY GAMES TO WATCH IN CIAA, SWAC E & W, SIAC AND SHOWDOWN IN MEAC; CIAA HOOPS PICKS

2018 BLACK COLLEGE FOOTBALL (Standings and Weekly Honors)

CIAA

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

CIAA PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

QB - Bryce Witt, CHOW - 18 of 28, 252 yards, 2 TDs, no picks in upset win vs. Bowie State.
QB - Tabvus Taylor, RB, VUU - 23 carries, 235 yards, 3 TDs (4, 20, 68), 2 catches for 51 yards in win vs. Lincoln (Pa.).
Kerrion Moore, WSSU - 25 carries, 193 yards, 3 TDs (43, 17, 46) in win over JCSU.
LB - Joseph Harris Jr., SAU - Game-high 17 tackles, 4 solos, in win over Livingstone.
DB - Daryus Skinner, WSSU - 2 interceptions, 4 tackles, 2 solos, in win over JCSU.
WR - Joshua Harris, VSU - 8 rec., 117 yards, 2-yard TD reception vs. ECSU.
COACH - Tim Place, CHOWAN - Led Indians to 42-23 win over CIAA favorite Bowie State.

MEAC

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

MEAC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

OFFENSE
Chauncey Caldwell, So. QB, NCCU - Hit on 24 of 38 passes for 311 yards and 3 TDs (35, 17, 38) and ran for 153 yards on 20 carries and the game-winning 3-yard TD in win over Howard. Had 464 yards of total offense.
ROOKIE
Khalid Dorsey, Fr., RB, HOWARD - 85 rushing yards on 15 carries with a 19-yard TD vs. NCCU.
DEFENSE
Antonio Miller, DB, FAMU - 10 tackles and an interception returned 39 yards in shutout win vs. Norfolk State.
SPECIALIST
Adam Lippy, R-Fr., PK, NCCU - Two 42-yard field goals and was 4-of-4 on PATs in win over Howard.
OFFENSIVE LINEMAN
Nick Leverett, Jr., NCCU - Eagles had 528 yards.

SIAC

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

SIAC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

OFFENSE
Tracy Scott, Jr., RB, ALBANY STATE - 15 carries, 190 yards (75, 2) in win over Catawba.
DEFENSE
Antonio Johnson, Sr., LB, MOREHOUSE - Had six tackles, 3 sacks, 5 QB hurries in win over Tuskegee SPECIAL TEAMS
Michael Nero, RB, KENTUCKY STATE - 353 all-purpose yards including 100-yard kickoff return TD, 70-yard punt return TD and 103 rushing yards.
NEWCOMER
Voris Bryant, DL, FORT VALLEY STATE - 9 tackles, 2 sacks (-12 yds.), 3 TFL and a forced fumble.

SWAC

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

SWAC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

OFFENSE
Geremy Hickbottom, R-So., RB, GRAMBLING STATE - 16 of 24 for career-high 297 passing yards and 3 TDs (38, 46, 60) also ran for 71 yards on six carries and 3 TDs vs. Oklahoma Panhandle State.
DEFENSE
Darron Johnson, Sr., LB, ALABAMA STATE - Led Hornets with 14 tackles, 4 solos, and a half-sack in win over Alcorn State.
SPECIALIST
Malik Hamner, Sr., DL STATE - Blocked two field goals in win over Arkansas-Pine Bluff.
NEWCOMER
DeShawn Waller, RB, ALCORN STATE - 29 carries for 193 yards and 2 TDs in loss to Alabama State.

INDEPENDENTS

	W		L	
	W	L	W	L
Langston	4	1		
Tennessee State	2	2		
Va. Univ. of Lynchburg	2	3		
Edward Waters	3	3		
West Virginia State	3	3		
Allen	2	3		
Lincoln (Mo.)	2	3		
Hampton	2	3		
Texas College	0	4		

INDY PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

OFFENSE
Jayson Lowe, QB, LANGSTON - Completed 22 of 30 passes for 413 yards and 5 TDs in win over Texas Wesleyan.
Calli Wilkins, So, RB, WVU - 13 carries for 166 yards and TD runs of 20, 39 and 20 yards in win over Kentucky State.
DEFENSE
Moises Valcarlos, R-Sr., LB, WVU - Led Yellow Jackets with 12 tackles, 4 solos, in win over Kentucky State.
NEWCOMER & SPECIAL TEAMS
Carl Garman, Fr., RB, WVU - Returned kickoff 94 yards to paydirt in win over KSU. Totalled 115 yards on two kickoffs.

SCORES

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 6	
Alabama A&M 42, Texas Southern 21	Langston 55, Texas Wesleyan 31
Alabama State 28, Alcorn State 25, 5 OTs	Miles 41, Central State 20
Albany State 35, Catawba 21	Morehouse 30, Tuskegee 24, OT
Austin Peay 49, Tennessee State 34	North Carolina A&T 34, Delaware State 6
Benedict 30, Virginia-Lynchburg 16	North Carolina Central 40, Howard 35
Bethune-Cookman 41, Miss. Valley State 27	Quincy 14, Lincoln (Mo.) 13
Chowan 42, Bowie State 23	SAGU 48, Texas College 28
Clark Atlanta 21, Fort Valley State 19	Saint Augustine's 26, Livingstone 15
Edward Waters 33, Warner 30	Savannah State 23, Charleston Southern 3
Fayetteville State 19, Shaw 14	South Carolina State 21, Morgan State 18
Florida A&M 17, Norfolk State 0	Virginia State 41, Elizabeth City State 19
Grambling State 62, OK Panhandle State 7	Virginia Union 90, Lincoln (PA) 0
Hampton 41, Lane 8	West Virginia State 61, Kentucky State 42
Jackson State 30, Arkansas-Pine Bluff 27	Winston-Salem State 34, J. C. Smith 14

WEATHER WATCH

The North Carolina A&T / Florida A&M game may be affected by Hurricane Michael, a dangerous Category 2 storm that was expected to make landfall Wednesday 100 miles west of Tallahassee. On Monday, Florida A&M confirmed classes will be closed Tuesday through Friday. The team is expected to leave Friday for the game in Greensboro at 1 p.m. Saturday.

UNDER THE BANNER

WHAT'S GOING ON IN AND AROUND BLACK COLLEGE SPORTS

NEW PRAIRIE VIEW A&M AD:

Fred E. Washington has been named **Prairie View A&M** Vice President and Director of Athletics. The announcement was made by PVAM President **Ruth Simmons** and is effective immediately.



WASHINGTON

Washington is in his twenty seventh year of service to Prairie View A&M and the State of Texas. He is also retired as a Major in the United States Army Reserve and served twenty-three years in that regard.

He is in his second stint directing PVAMU Athletics. Washington served in two positions as Vice President for Administration as well as Auxiliary Services and Athletic Director from 2008 to 2013. In this current appointment, Washington will only oversee Panther Athletics.

Washington's previous tenure as Athletic Director was at the beginning of a storied period in the annals of Panther Athletics. His five-year tenure was highlighted by PVAMU football returning to its tradition of winning as the program won the 2009 **Southwestern Athletic Conference (SWAC)** Championship, the first title in football since 1964. That championship season was the highlight of a current run in which PVAMU football is second in wins in the SWAC since 2007

CIAA HOOPS PREDICTIONS:

The **Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association (CIAA)** and its Basketball Coaches Association announced the 2018-19 Basketball Predicted Order of Finish and Preseason All-CIAA Teams last week.

WOMEN	
PREDICTED ORDER	PRESEASON TEAM
1 Virginia Union (N)	Ashley Fields, Claflin
2 Johnson C. Smith (S)	Mariah Cooker, Chowan
3 Virginia State (N)	Jalyn Brown, Elizabeth City State
4 Fayetteville State (S)	Shantel Bennett, Fayetteville State
5 Bowie State (N)	Yakima Clifton, Fayetteville State
6 Chowan (N)	Kyala Searcy, Livingstone
7 Lincoln (N)	Kaaliya Williams, St. Augustines
8 Livingstone (S)	Chrisanna Green, Virginia State
9 Winston-Salem State (S)	Shameka McNeil, Virginia Union
10 Elizabeth City State (N)	Shareka McNeil, Virginia Union
11 Claflin (S)	Brianna Pate, W-Salem State
12 Shaw (S)	
13 St. Augustine's (S)	
MEN	
PREDICTED ORDER	PRESEASON TEAM
1 Virginia State (N)	Saiquan Jamison, Bowie State
2 Shaw (S)	Austin Lawton, Claflin
3 Virginia Union (N)	Zach Hobbs, Eliz. City State
4 Bowie State (N)	Josh Bryant, Fayetteville State
5 Winston-Salem State (S)	Rodrick Ross, J. C. Smith
6 Claflin (S)	Roger Ray, Livingstone
7 Johnson C. Smith (S)	Tyre Gathright, St. Augustines
8 Livingstone (S)	DeVaughn Kelsie, Shaw
9 Saint Augustines (S)	Walter Williams, Virginia State
10 Elizabeth City State (N)	Cyonte Melvin, Virginia State
11 Chowan (N)	Robert Colon, W-Salem State
12 Lincoln (N)	William Crandell, W-Salem State
13 Fayetteville State (S)	

Conference, division races heat up

LUT WILLIAMS

BCSP Editor

Things just got interesting in all four HBCU conferences after some upsets and surprising results Saturday.

In the **CIAA**, high-scoring two-time defending East Division champion and conference favorite, **BCSP No. 10 Bowie State**, was grounded in Murfreesboro, N. C.

In the **SWAC**, four-time defending East Division champion and BCSP No. 1 **Alcorn State** fell to a division rival (**Alabama State**) for only the second time in 14 games.

The **SIAC** saw **Morehouse** knock off defending conference champion **Tuskegee** for the first time in seven years to remain the only undefeated team in HBCU football.

And in the **MEAC**, defending champion **North Carolina A&T** has a new challenger that is poised to test the Aggies this week.

And after all that, there is a new No. 1 team in the **BLACK COLLEGE SPORTS PAGE** Top Ten. Here is the breakdown.

CIAA

The strength of the CIAA is thought to be in the North Division with **Bowie State**, **Virginia State** and **Virginia Union** the real powers and chief contenders for conference honors. A 42-23 upset win by **Chowan** Saturday over **Bowie State** throws the hotly-contested North into a tizzy.

Chowan picked off prolific BSU quarterback **Amir Hall**, the preseason player of the year, for a touchdown on the first play from scrimmage and had another pick of Hall en route to downing the Bulldogs (4-2, 2-1, 0-1 N). Hall was still prolific (37 of 48) but his 428 passing yards were not enough.

That sets up a pair of intriguing 1 p.m. North Division homecoming matches Saturday as **Bowie State** (4-2, 2-1, 0-1 N) brings in **Virginia State** (3-2, 3-0, 1-0 N) while **Chowan** (1-3, 1-1, 1-0 N) hosts **Virginia Union** (4-1, 3-0, 1-0 N).

In the South, **Winston-Salem State** began its perennial late-season push with a 34-14 win Saturday over **Johnson C. Smith**. The Rams (2-3, 1-2, 1-0 S) face a challenge at home Saturday vs. **St. Augustine's** (2-3, 2-1, 1-0). **Fayetteville State** (3-1, 2-0, 1-0 S), the other team undefeated in the division, hosts JCSU (1-4, 1-2, 0-1) and **Livingstone** (2-3, 1-2, 0-1) entertains **Shaw** (1-4, 0-2, 0-1 S).

SWAC

Alabama State needed five overtimes Saturday to knock off East Division kingpin and BCSP No. 1 **Alcorn State**, 28-25. All five E. Div. teams now have one loss in conference play.

The challenges continue for Alcorn State (4-2, 3-1 E) as it is the guest for East Division rival **Alabama A&M's** homecoming this week (2



NC A&T Sports Photo



Florida A&M Sports Photo

ONE TO WATCH: Weather permitting, new coaches Sam Washington (l.) of North Carolina A&T and Willie Simmons (r.) of Florida A&M will have their teams square off for the MEAC lead Saturday in Greensboro.

BCSP FOOTBALL TOP TEN

- PRAIRIE VIEW A&M** (3-3) - Idle. **NEXT:** Hosting Southern.
- NORTH CAROLINA A&T** (5-1) - Easy 34-6 win over Delaware State. **NEXT:** Hosting Florida A&M in key MEAC tilt.
- GRAMBLING STATE** (2-3) - Throttled Oklahoma Panhandle State, 62-7. **NEXT:** At Texas Southern.
- TENNESSEE STATE** (2-2) - Fell to Austin Peay, 49-34. **NEXT:** At Murray State.
- ALCORN STATE** (4-2) - Fell in five overtimes to Alabama State, 28-25. **NEXT:** At Alabama A&M's homecoming.
- BETHUNE-COOKMAN** (3-3) - Got 41-20 homecoming win over Miss. Valley State. **NEXT:** At SC State.
- FLORIDA A&M** (4-2) - Shut out Norfolk State, 17-0. **NEXT:** At No. 2 North Carolina A&T.
- HOWARD** (1-3) - Outscored by NC Central, 40-35. **NEXT:** Hosting Delaware State.
- SOUTHERN** (2-3) - Idle. **NEXT:** At No. 1 Prairie View A&M.
- MOREHOUSE** (6-0) - Stayed unbeaten with 3-overtime 30-24 win vs. Tuskegee. **NEXT:** Hosting Albany State.

p.m.) A&M (3-3, 2-1 E) is experiencing something of a resurgence under new head coach **Connell Maynor** and is coming off a 42-21 win over **Texas Southern** Saturday.

Also in the East, **Jackson State** (2-2, 1-1) has **Mississippi Valley State** (0-4, 0-1) in for homecoming.

In the West, first-place **Prairie View A&M** (3-3, 2-0 W), who was idle last week but moved from second to the top spot in the BCSP Top Ten, hosts No. 9 **Southern** (2-3, 1-1 W). No. 3 **Grambling State** (2-3, 1-1) is at **Texas Southern** (1-4, 0-2).

SIAC

It took three overtimes but **Morehouse** got by **Tuskegee** for the first time since 2011, 30-24 in Columbus, Ga. in the 83rd meeting at their classic. It was the 113th game between the rivals.

With the win, the Maroon Tigers (6-0, 5-0 SIAC) remain the only unbeaten team in black college football as they prepare for an East Division battle Saturday at home (6 p.m.) vs. **Albany State** (2-3, 2-1).

TOP PERFORMANCES

FROM GAMES OF OCTOBER 6

PASSING	RUSHING	RECEIVING	TACKLES	SACKS	INTERCEPTIONS
Amir Hall, BOWST 37-48 428 yards 3 TDs (8, 9, 2)	Jaylen Lowe, LANG 22-40 413 yards 3 TDs (4, 36, 33, 24, 17)	Lansana Sesay, BOWST 7 receptions 195 yards 0 TD	Joseph Harris, Jr., SAU; Keontre Hampton, Darius Woods, JSU; William Flowers, BSU; Darron Johnson, ALST; Jayson Robinson, HOW; Austin Stephens, MILES	Antonio Johnson, MHOUSE; Collins Tensley, BEN; Shawn Bridges, ECSU; Kameron Rogers, CLATL; Voris Bryant, FVUSU; Aaron Robinson, Stefan Banks, SAVST; Craig Ewan, LANG;	Daryus Skinner, WSSU
Jaylen Lowe, LANG 24-39 381 yards 1 TD (10)	DeShawn Waller, ALCST 28 carries 214 yards 2 TDs (1, 22)	Jequez Ezzard, HOW 8 receptions 174 yards 3 TDs (40, 54, 4)	17	2.5	2
Keon Marsh, SHAW 34-52 338 yards 4 TDs (85, 18, 41, 9)	Kerrion Moore, WSSU 25 carries 193 yards 2 TDs (75, 2)	Ronald Bell, HAMP 4 receptions 137 yards 1 TD (65)	15	2.0	2
Delmon Williams, HAMP 15-21 321 yards 3 TDs (35, 17, 38)	Tracy Scott, ALBST 15 carries 190 yards 1 TD (11)	Joshua Harris, VAST 8 receptions 117 yards 1 TD (2)	14		
Chauncey Caldwell, NCCU 24-38 311 yards 3 TDs (20, 39, 20)	Calli Wilkins, WVST 13 carries 166 yards 3 TDs (20, 39, 20)	Malik Wilson, NCA&T 4 receptions 107 yards 2 TDs (13, 54)	13		



LANGSTON QB Jaylen Lowe



VIRGINIA UNION RB Tabvus Taylor



HOWARD WR Jequez Ezzard



MOREHOUSE LB Antonio Johnson