

BLACK COLLEGE SPORTS



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CRUNCH TIME

TUSKEGEE, ELIZ. CITY CLINCH BERTHS; SHAW READY; SC STATE HAS BIG TEST

BROADWAY: His G-Men have a half-frame lead over Southern and Prairie View in the SWAC West headed to Miss. Valley State.

2008 BLACK COLLEGE FOOTBALL (Results, Standings and Weekly Honors)

CIAA	CENTRAL INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION			
	CONF	ALL	W	L
E. DIVISION	6	0	6	3
^ Eliz. City State	4	2	5	4
Virginia State	3	3	5	4
Virginia Union	3	3	4	4
Bowie State	2	4	4	5
St. Paul's	0	6	1	8
# Lincoln (PA)				
W. DIVISION	5	1	6	3
Shaw	5	1	6	3
Fayetteville State	5	1	7	2
Livingstone	3	3	3	6
J. C. Smith	2	4	3	6
St. Augustine's	2	4	3	6
Chowan	1	5	2	7

^ Clinched Div. title # Not eligible for title

CIAA PLAYERS OF THE WEEK
 OL - MANUEL BECKER, Jr., C, VSU
 WR - JEROME CHOICE, Sr., VSU - 3 receptions 49 yards, 3 TDs vs. Lincoln.
 BACK CARLTON RICHARDSON, Sr., QB, JCSU - 22 of 39 for 327 yards, career-high 5 TDs
 DL - MARCUS CRUMP, R-JR., DE, SAC - 8 tackles, 3.5 TFL, 3 sacks, 1 forced fumble vs. FSU
 LB - ROBERT MASSEY-BRICE, Fr., LC - 18 tackles, 1 forced fumble, 1 interception
 DB - ANDRE LIPSCOMB, Sr., VSU - 7 tackles, 5 solos, 1 interception, 1 recovery, 1 forced fumble
 ROOKIE BABASIDE ONADIPE, Fr., FB, VSU - 28 carries, 154 yds., 1 TD vs. Lincoln.
 SPECIAL JULIUS WRIGHT, So., KP, JCSU - 1 FG

MEAC	MID EASTERN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE			
	CONF	ALL	W	L
SC State	4	0	6	2
Hampton	4	1	5	2
Morgan State	3	1	5	3
Delaware State	3	2	3	4
Bethune-Cookman	2	2	5	2
Florida A&M	2	2	6	2
Norfolk State	1	4	2	6
NC A&T State	1	4	3	6
Howard	0	4	1	6
# W-Salem State	0	0	1	6

Not eligible for title

MEAC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK
 OFFENSE
 TRAVIL JAMISON, r-JR., RB, SCSU - 10 carries, 151 yards (15.1 ypc.), 4 TDs vs. Hampton
 DEFENSE
 TRAVIS ROLAND, Sr., DB, B-CU - 9 tackles, 8 solos, 4 TFL of 17 yds., 3 sacks, forced, recovered fumble vs. WSSU.
 ROOKIE QUAY LONG, Fr., CB, NC A&T - 8 tackles, 5 solos, 3 break-ups, forced fumble vs. Howard.
 SPECIAL TEAMS
 TREVOR SCOTT, r-Fr., PK, FAMU - 4-of-4 on PATs, game-winning 26-yard FG vs. Norfolk State.
 OL - JOHNNY CULBREATH, So., SCSU

SIAC	SOUTHERN INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETIC CONFERENCE			
	CONF	ALL	W	L
Tuskegee	7	0	8	0
Fort Valley State	5	2	5	4
Albany State	4	3	5	3
Clark Atlanta	4	3	5	4
Morehouse	4	3	4	4
Benedict	3	4	4	5
Lane	3	4	3	6
Stillman	2	5	3	6
Miles	2	5	2	6
Kentucky State	1	6	3	6

SIAC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

OFFENSE
 WILLIAM BRACK, So., QB, MHC - 17 of 32, 273 yds., 3 TDs in win over Albany State.
 DEFENSE
 JEFFREY CARGILE, Sr., LB, MHC - 16 tackles, 5 solos, 3.5 TFL, 1 sack, 1 int., 1 forced fumble
 NEWCOMER
 ROGER FRAZIER, Fr., WR, ASU - Returned FG miss 100 yards for TD vs. Morehouse.
 SPECIAL TEAMS
 MICAH STREIFF, Jr., PK, MHC - Avgd. 31.7 on 7 punts, 3-of-3 on PATs, 1 37-yard field goal
 OFFENSIVE LINEMEN
 IRA SOARES, Sr., OL, TU

SWAC	SOUTHWESTERN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE			
	CONF	ALL	W	L
E. DIVISION	3	1	4	4
Jackson State	3	1	4	5
Alabama A&M	1	3	4	5
Alcorn State	1	3	2	7
Alabama State	1	3	1	6
Miss. Valley St.	0	3	2	5
W. DIVISION	3	0	6	2
Grambling State	4	1	6	1
Prairie View A&M	3	1	4	4
Southern	1	3	4	5
Texas Southern	0	3	1	7
Ark. Pine Bluff				

SWAC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

OFFENSE
 DONALD BABERS, Jr., RB, PV - 25 carries, 116 yards, 4 receptions, 26 yards vs. Southern.
 DEFENSE
 ZACH EAST, Sr., LB, PV - 13 tackles, 7 solos, 1.5 TFL, 1 interception returned 20 yard for TD.
 SPECIALIST
 ROBERT HERSH, Fr., PK, TSU - 3 PATs, 3 FGs in win over Alcorn State.
 NEWCOMER
 LUTHER EDWARDS, Fr., RB, JSU - 17 carries for 73 yards, 2 TDs (10, 3) vs. MVSU.

INDEPENDENTS	W	L	PLAYERS OF THE WEEK	
			OFFENSE	DEFENSE
W. Va. State	6	2	CARLOS ROSS, So., RB, LANGSTON - Carried 21 times for 152 yards and 2 TDs in win over NW Oklahoma State.	BRANDON KENHARD, Sr., LB, LANGSTON - Had 8 tackles, 3 sacks, 5 TFL of 29 yards in win over NWOS.
Tennessee State	6	2		
Langston	6	2		
Concordia	4	4		
Savannah State	3	5		
Edward Waters	2	6		
Central State	2	6		
N. C. Central	1	6		
Lincoln (Mo.)	1	7		
Texas College	0	7		
Cheyney	0	9		

SCORES

OCTOBER 25
 Alabama A&M 17, Alabama State 16
 Arkansas-Pine Bluff 42, Lincoln (MO) 0
 Bethune-Cookman 27, W-Salem State 6
 Bowie State 14, Virginia Union 13
 Central State 29, Missouri S&T 28
 Elizabeth City State 39, Saint Paul's 9
 Fayetteville State 20, Saint Augustine's 16
 Florida A&M 31, Norfolk State 28
 Fort Valley State 24, Miles 0
 Glenville State 50, West Virginia State 28
 Jackson State 29, Miss Valley State 27
 Johnson C. Smith 51, Chowan 36
 Lane 13, Clark Atlanta 12
 Langston 28, NW Oklahoma State 14

Morehouse 24, Albany State 19
 Morgan State 20, Delaware State 3
 NC A&T 21, Howard 20
 North Greenville 45, Edward Waters 21
 Prairie View A&M 24, Southern 23
 SC State 35, Hampton 13
 SE Missouri 27, Tennessee State 20, OT
 Shaw 55, Livingstone 7
 Southern Nazarene 25, Texas College 13
 Stillman 35, Benedict 21
 Texas Southern 30, Alcorn State 29
 Tuskegee 52, Kentucky State 34
 Virginia State 54, Lincoln (PA) 0
 West Chester 60, Cheyney 6

BCSP TOP TEN

- TUSKEGEE** (8-0) - Clinched SIAC title with 52-34 win over Kentucky State. NEXT: At Clark Atlanta.
- SOUTH CAROLINA STATE** (6-2) - Ran by Hampton for MEAC lead, 35-13. NEXT: At Delaware State.
- GRAMBLING STATE** (5-2) - Idle. NEXT: At Miss. Valley State.
- PRAIRIE VIEW A&M** (7-1) - Came back to get Southern, 24-23. NEXT: Idle.
- HAMPTON** (5-2) - Fell to SC State, 35-13. NEXT: Homecoming vs. Winston-Salem State.
- FLORIDA A&M** (6-2) - Just got by Norfolk State, 31-28. NEXT: Homecoming vs. Morgan State.
- BETHUNE-COOKMAN** (4-2) - Defeated W-Salem State, 27-6. NEXT: Hosts NC A&T.
- MORGAN STATE** (5-3) - Shut down Delaware State, 20-3. NEXT: At Florida A&M's homecoming.
- DELAWARE STATE** (3-4) - Upended by Morgan State, 20-3. NEXT: Hosts South Carolina State.
- (TIE) **TENNESSEE STATE** (6-2) - Beat in OT by SE Missouri, 27-20. NEXT: Homecoming vs. Tenn Tech.
- ELIZABETH CITY STATE** (6-3) - Clinched CIAA East with 39-9 win over St. Paul's. NEXT: Va. Union 7.

Leaders shake out in home stretch

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Some finality and a bit of clarity were the results of games played this past weekend in black college football.

CIAA

With its 39-9 win over **St. Paul's** Saturday, **Elizabeth City State** won the CIAA East Division title and secured its spot in the Nov. 8 CIAA title game in Durham, N.C.

The Vikings (6-3, 6-0), who close the regular season hosting **Virginia Union** Saturday (1 p.m.), will either play **Shaw** or **Fayetteville State** out of the West Division for the league crown.

Shaw (6-3, 5-1), who defeated Fayetteville State 19-12 in their Oct. 12 head-to-head match-up, needs a win Saturday (1 p.m.) at **Johnson C. Smith** (3-6, 2-4) to win the division and face ECSU next Saturday in the championship game. FSU (7-2, 5-1) needs a win Saturday (1 p.m.) vs. **Livingstone** and JCSU to defeat Shaw in order to win the division.

What's still screwy about the CIAA situation is that despite being leaders in their respective divisions, neither Elizabeth City State or Shaw is currently ranked in the top eight places of the NCAA Div. II's new Super Regional One.

In case you're not up on the latest realignment in Div. II, the CIAA is no longer part of the Southeast Region along with the South Atlantic and Gulf South Conferences for football. The CIAA's affiliation has now been shifted north and the league is now part of what's called Super Regional One along with the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference (PSAC), the West Virginia Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (WVIAC) and the Northeast-10 Conference. The SIAC has now been joined with the SAC and GSC in Super Regional Two.

The new alignment has also brought with it a new formula for determining Div. II playoff eligibility. Now in order for a conference to 'earn access' to the playoffs, a conference team must finish in the top eight of the

GAMES THIS WEEK

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 1

- Alcorn State vs. Alabama State in Alcorn State, MS 1
- Miss Valley State vs. Grambling State in Ita Bena, MS 1
- Bowie State vs. Virginia State in Bowie, MD 1
- Elizabeth City State vs. Virginia Union in Eliz. City, NC 1
- Fayetteville State vs. Livingstone in Fayetteville, NC 1
- Howard vs. Norfolk State in Washington, D.C. 1
- Johnson C. Smith vs. Shaw in Charlotte, NC 1
- Lincoln (PA) vs. Saint Paul's in West Grove, PA 1
- Shippensburg vs. Cheyney in Shippensburg, PA 1
- West Virginia State vs. Shepherd in Institute, WV 1
- Lane vs. Miles in Jackson, TN 1:30
- Langston vs. SW Assemblies in Langston, OK 2
- Lincoln (MO) vs. Missouri S&T in Jefferson City, MO 2
- Benedict vs. Kentucky State in Columbia, SC 2
- Clark Atlanta vs. Tuskegee in Atlanta, GA 2
- Bethune-Cookman vs. NC A&T in Daytona Beach, FL 4
- Southern vs. Arkansas-Pine Bluff in Baton Rouge, LA 5
- Stillman vs. Morehouse in Tuscaloosa, AL 5

TV GAMES

- ESPNU - Delayed-10:30p ET
- Delaware State vs. SC State in Dover, DE 1
- HOMEcomings**
- Savannah State vs. Concordia in Savannah, GA 1
- NC Central vs. Edward Waters in Durham, NC 1:30
- Hampton vs. Winston-Salem State in Hampton, VA 2
- Florida A&M vs. Morgan State in Tallahassee, FL 3
- Saint Augustine's vs. Chowan in Raleigh, NC 4
- Tennessee State vs. Tennessee Tech in Nashville, TN 5
- Texas College vs. Bacone in Tyler, TX 7:30
- CLASSICS**
- 19th Fountain City Classic
- Fort Valley State vs. Albany State in Columbus, GA 2



IN THE DRIVERS' SEATS: Tuskegee's Willie Slater (l.) in SIAC and Elizabeth City's Waverly Tillar (2nd from l.) in the CIAA have clinched conference titles and postseason berths. Shaw's Darrell Asberry (c.) can do so with a win Saturday at Johnson C. Smith. SC State's Buddy Pough (2nd from r.) inched closer to the same with a big win Saturday over Hampton. He has another big date Saturday at Delaware State. James Webster's (r.) Tennessee State troops lost a heart-breaker in overtime to SE Missouri but are still tied for the Ohio Valley Conference lead.

super regional rankings to make the 32-team playoff field.

In Regional Rankings released on Monday, Oct. 27, Fayetteville State is ranked eighth in Super Regional One while Shaw and Elizabeth City State are unranked.

In Super Regional Two, 5-3 **Albany State** is ranked eighth despite losses to three SIAC schools (**Tuskegee**, **Benedict** and **Morehouse**).

SIAC

The race is over in the SIAC.

A 52-34 win over **Kentucky State** and **Clark Atlanta's** 13-12 loss to **Lane** gave undefeated **Tuskegee** (8-0, 7-0) its third straight SIAC title in three years under head coach **Willie Slater**, the Golden Tigers' 27th SIAC title overall. TU travels to Clark Atlanta Saturday (2 p.m.).

The SIAC title will likely land Tuskegee in its fourth straight and ninth overall postseason **Pioneer Bowl** against a CIAA opponent (Sat., Dec. 6, Columbia, S.C.). The Golden Tigers are not eligible for the Div. II playoffs because of their traditional season-ending Thanksgiving Day match-up against in-state rival **Alabama State**.

Meanwhile, if Albany State is to retain its No. 8 ranking in the region, they'll need to finish with regular-season ending wins Saturday (2 p.m.) over **Fort Valley State** (5-4, 5-2) at the **Fountain City Classic** in Columbus, Ga. and next week at home vs. **Miles**.

SWAC

Prairie View A&M kept its hopes alive for a West Division title and berth in the **SWAC** Championship Game with a comeback 24-23 win Saturday over **Southern**. The win leaves the Panthers (7-1, 4-1) just a half-game behind West Division leader **Grambling State** (6-2, 4-0) headed into the final month of regular season games.

Seven games count on SWAC teams conference ledger - four against division opponents and three pre-selected games against opposite division teams.

Prairie View is off this week but has two games left against East Division teams (Nov. 8 at **Alabama A&M** and Nov. 15 vs. **Alcorn State**), both that will count on its conference record.

Grambling has four games left, all that will count on the conference record, beginning with a date at **Mississippi Valley State** (2-5, 0-3) Saturday (1 p.m.). Southern (4-4, 3-1), with three games left, tries to keep pace hosting **Arkansas-Pine Bluff** (1-7, 0-3) Saturday in

Baton Rouge.

In the East, **Alabama A&M** (4-5 overall) and **Jackson State** (4-4 overall) are tied with 3-1 conference records. Both are idle this week before finishing the season with three games including their Nov. 15 meeting in Jackson, Ms.

MEAC

South Carolina State broke from a 0-0 halftime tie to score five second-half rushing touchdowns en route to a 35-13 rout of **Hampton** Saturday that gave the Bulldogs (6-2, 4-0) control of the MEAC race. **Travil Jamison** rushed for 151 yards and four touchdowns while Will Ford rushed for 182 and another score as the 'Dawgs gashed the Pirates for 316 rushing yards.

Buddy Pough's troops must now travel to Dover, Delaware to take on (1 p.m.) defending MEAC champ **Delaware State** (3-4, 3-2), a team that has defeated the Bulldogs in each of the last two seasons. SCSU has four conference games left on its schedule as it looks for its first MEAC title since 1994. Three of those games are on the road.

Behind South Carolina State in the MEAC is a group of five teams with two or less losses in conference play waiting to see if the Bulldogs falter.

Morgan State (5-3, 3-1) defeated Delaware State Saturday, 20-3, to move into a tie with Hampton for second place in the conference. The Bears, whose only loss in league play was a close 31-27 decision to **Bethune-Cookman**, plays this week at **Florida A&M's** homecoming. The Rattlers (6-2, 2-2), with losses to DelState and SC State in conference play, are one of those still with a shot at the title.

Bethune-Cookman (5-2, 2-2) hosts **North Carolina A&T** this week (4 p.m.). The Aggies (3-6, 1-4) are fresh off a 21-20 win Saturday over **Howard** in the debut of interim coach **George Ragsdale**. Hampton (5-2, 4-1) has a non-conference date hosting **Winston-Salem State** (1-6) for homecoming (2 p.m.).

OTHERS

Tennessee State (6-2, 3-1 OVC) fell back into a three-way tie in the loss column with UT-Martin (5-1) and Eastern Kentucky (4-1) in the Ohio Valley Conference after an overtime loss to SE Missouri Saturday.

After playing in other teams' homecomings the past two weeks, the Blue Tigers stage their own homecoming this week (5 p.m.) in Nashville vs. Tennessee Tech (3-6, 1-4).

THE STAT CORNER

WHO ARE THE BEST PERFORMERS IN BLACK COLLEGE SPORTS

NCAA Div. II REGIONAL RANKINGS

As of Monday, Oct. 27, 2008

SUPER REGIONAL ONE

- Overall Record / Division II Record
- 1. Bloomsburg 9-0, 9-0
- 2. California (Pa.) 8-1, 8-1
- 3. American Int'l 8-0, 7-0
- 4. Seton Hill 8-1, 6-1
- 5. S. Conn. State 6-2, 6-1
- 6. West Chester 7-2, 7-1
- 7. Edinboro 7-2, 7-2
- 8. Fayetteville State 7-2, 5-1
- 9. East Stroudsburg 7-2, 7-2
- 10. Charleston 7-2, 7-2

SUPER REGIONAL TWO

- Overall Record / Division II Record
- 1. Delta State 7-1, 7-0
- 2. Wingate 8-1, 8-1
- 3. North Alabama 8-1, 8-1
- 4. Valdosta State 6-2, 6-2
- 5. Tusculum 6-3, 5-2
- 6. Ark.-Monticello 7-2, 6-2
- 7. Carson-Newman 6-2, 6-2
- 8. Albany State 5-3, 5-3
- 9. Mars Hill 6-3, 4-2
- 10. Ouachita Baptist 5-3, 5-3

SOURCE: NCAA.com

BCSP Notes

Virginia State, St. Aug's capture CIAA Cross Country titles

Virginia State won the men's championship and tied **Saint Augustine's** for the women's title last week at the 2008 CIAA Cross Country Championships at WakeMed Soccer Park.

Johnny Shuping of Saint Augustine's captured the men's 8K individual title with a time of 24:23.4 and **Jenna Arnold** of Virginia State won the women's 5K individual championship with a time of 19:59.9.

In the women's race, Saint Augustine's and Virginia State both scored 39 points and Shaw finished third with 103 points. This is the second consecutive season that Saint Augustine's has either won or shared the women's title. Saint Augustine's has won 16 CIAA women's championships overall while Virginia State captured its first women's championship in school history.

In the men's race, Virginia State scored 42 points to top **Bowie State**, which placed second with 58 while **Shaw** finished third with 91 points. This is the second title in school history for Virginia State, which won the men's championship in 2007.

Albany State, Benedict run to SIAC Cross Country titles

Llonisha Lee of **Albany State** captured her third SIAC Cross Country championship en route to leading her team to its sixth consecutive conference crown. Teammate **Asia Hollingsworth** finished behind Lee.

Clark Atlanta finished in second place while **Fort Valley State** finished fourth. The SIAC Championships were held at the Beach at Clayton County in Jonesboro, Ga.

Benedict finally got over the hump and won its first SIAC men's Cross Country title defeating **Morehouse** for the championship. **Toritch Dickson** followed by **Oneil Williams** led the way as Benedict finished in four of the top five spots. Morehouse had won the championship each of the last 13 years.

Fort Valley State and **Kentucky State** tied for third place. Benedict will prepare to travel to the NCAA Regionals Cross Country meet November 8, 2008 at a site to be determined. The NCAA finals will be held at the Cooperslake Camp Ground Cross Country course in Slippery Rock, Pa. on November 22, 2008.