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Thurgood Marshall Brunch Agenda

Saturday, November 1 | 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

TIME	AGENDA ITEM	PRESENTER / NOTES
9:00 – 9:05 AM	Welcome Address	Master of Ceremony Jason Callaman
9:05 – 9:10 AM	Invocation	Chaplain – Torrey Woods
9:10 – 9:15 AM	National Anthem / Lift Every Voice and Sing	Isabella Penza & Felicia Penza
9:15 – 9:25 AM	Introductions	Master of Ceremony
9:25 – 9:35 AM	Program Overview	Leslie Fuqua Williams & Darrell Cunningham
9:45 – 9:50 AM	Remarks from Thurgood Marshall College Fund	Dr. Sean Burns
9:50 – 9:55 AM	Introduction to AI Video	—
9:55 – 10:10 AM	Sponsors Videos	—
10:10 – 10:40 AM	Breakfast Served / Networking / Video Display	—
10:40 – 10:45 AM	Introduction of Dr. Barbara Whye	Leslie Fuqua Williams & Darrell Cunningham
10:45 – 10:50 AM	Introduction of Moderator & Panelists	Dr. Barbara Whye
10:50 – 11:50 AM	Fireside Chat	Moderator Celestine Pressley
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Thurgood Marshall Brunch Agenda (cont.)

TIME	AGENDA ITEM	PRESENTER / NOTES
11:50 – 12:00 PM	Q&A Session	—
12:00 – 12:10 PM	Introduction to Award of Merit	Darrell Cunningham
12:10 – 12:20 PM	Award of Merit Presentation	Ralph Thompson
12:20 – 12:30 PM	Scholarship Recipients Recognition	Christian Whitehead
12:30 – 12:40 PM	Raffle Winner Announcement	Tremaine Jasper
12:50 – 1:00 PM	Closing Remarks and Thank You	Ed Williams



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**WELCOME LETTER FROM
SPHINX EDUCATIONAL FUND, INC. CHAIRMAN**



Greetings Supporters and Friends!

On behalf of The Sphinx Educational Fund, Inc. ("SEF"), I am thrilled to celebrate with you on this very special occasion—our 21st Anniversary Thurgood Marshall College Fund Brunch! Over the past two decades, SEF has been dedicated to transforming lives through education by providing scholarships, resources, and opportunities to countless students across the Greater Phoenix area.

This year, our theme is "AI at the Helm: Driving Innovation in Business, Healthcare, and Education." We are excited to present an esteemed keynote panel of AI industry leaders and influencers who will discuss this timely topic and its impact on our local community and beyond.

Each year, our Scholarship Brunch honors former Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall, a symbol of leadership, service, and academic excellence. In addition to awarding scholarships to deserving students from Metro Phoenix in their pursuit of a college education, we also recognize leaders who have made a meaningful impact in our community—individuals who embody the spirit of Justice Marshall. This year, we proudly salute Mr. Marion Kelly as our Award of Merit Honoree.

We extend our sincere appreciation to The Biltmore Hotel, SEF Officers and Board of Directors, our 2025 Planning Committee, the National Thurgood Marshall College Fund, and all our committed sponsors for ensuring this momentous event's success.

Here's to the next 21 years and beyond!

Respectfully,
Edward Williams
President & Chairman of Board of Directors
Sphinx Educational Fund, Inc.

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*O say can you see, by the dawn's early light, What so proudly we
hail'd at the twilight's last gleaming, Whose broad stripes and bright
stars through the perilous fight O'er the ramparts we watch'd
were so gallantly streaming?*

*And the rocket's red glare, the bomb bursting in air, Gave proof through
the night that our flag was still there, O say does that
star-spangled banner yet wave O'er the land of the free and the
home of the brave?*

~Isabella Penza

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LIFT EVERY VOICE AND SING

*Lift every voice and sing,
'Til earth and heaven ring,
Ring with the harmonies of Liberty;
Let our rejoicing rise
High as the list'ning skies,
Let it resound loud as the rolling sea.
Sing a song full of the faith that the
dark past has taught us,
Sing a song full of the hope that the
present has brought us;
Facing the rising sun of our new day
begun, Let us march on 'til victory
is won.*

*Stony the road we trod,
Bitter the chastening rod,
Felt in the days when hope unborn
had died;
Yet with a steady beat,
Have not our weary feet
Come to the place for which our
fathers sighed?
We have come over a way that with
tears has been watered,*

*We have come, treading our path
through the blood of the
slaughtered,
Out from the gloomy past,
'Til now we stand at last
Where the white gleam of our
bright star is cast.*

*God of our weary years,
God of our silent tears,
Thou who has brought us thus far
on the way;
Thou who has by Thy might
Led us into the light,
Keep us forever in the path,
we pray.
Lest our feet stray from the places,
our God, where we met Thee,
our hearts drunk with the wine of
the world, we forget Thee;
Shadowed beneath Thy hand,
May we forever stand,
True to our God,
True to our native land.*

~Felicia Penza



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*~Entrée~**

Cage Free Egg Scramble

Chef's Choice of Potato, Crispy Bacon

**Non-pork option available upon request*

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S&F Brunch Co-Host

Darrell J. Cunningham



Darrell J. Cunningham is an Emmy Award-winning television host, journalist, and producer, and a first-generation college graduate with a bachelor's from Florida State University and dual master's degrees from Full Sail University and Syracuse University. A career that's taken him from ESPNU and Capitol Hill to hosting Arizona's #1 lifestyle show, "Your Life Arizona."

Known for his energy, authenticity, and determination, Darrell lives by his motto "NEVER GIVE UP." Off-air, he enjoys time with his Great Dane, Thanos. Exploring Arizona, volunteering, gaming and staying connected with family and friends.

Leslie F. Williams



Leslie Fuqua Williams is a Strategic Leadership Consultant and the Founder & CEO of Artefax Group, a consulting firm that helps organizations navigate transformation with clarity, creativity, and purpose. With more than 20 years of experience in Information Technology and over a decade of expertise in behavioral science, Leslie operates at the intersection of technology, human dynamics, and organizational strategy, where innovation meets leadership.

At Artefax Group, Leslie believes change is inevitable and leadership is both a calling and a responsibility. Her philosophy: purpose is not what we do, but what happens to others when we do what we do. Her work designs spaces where transformation and creativity support change where people, teams, and organizations learn to thrive through chaos and turn disruption into growth.

Her career has spanned government, healthcare, finance, and corporate sectors, where she has guided leaders and teams through complex change and digital transformation. Known for her ability to translate emerging trends into actionable strategies, Leslie helps organizations thrive amid disruption turning challenges into opportunities for growth. Her clients describe her as a visionary strategist who sees patterns before they emerge and creates spaces where collaboration and creativity flourish.

Leslie holds a Bachelor of Science in Computer Science from Bennett College and a Master of Science in Organization Development from Pepperdine University. She also holds advanced certifications in Project Management, Leadership, and Human Capital Analytics, blending technical rigor with human insight to help organizations adapt and innovate with purpose.

A sought-after speaker, facilitator, and thought partner, Leslie brings grounded wisdom and bold vision to conversations about the future of work, digital transformation, and the evolving role of leadership in an age of rapid change.

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David Cane

David Cane is a seasoned technology and operations executive with over 15 years of leadership across tech, CPG, and retail. As Chief Customer Officer at Wag! Labs, he oversees multiple business lines—including Customer Experience, Trust & Safety, Supply Chain, and the Maxbone CPG brand—where he's led large-scale digital transformation, automation, and AI enablement initiatives that have both improved service quality and reduced costs. Known for bridging people, strategy, and data, David's work sits at the intersection of operational excellence and human-centered innovation.

He is also the founder of Axion Partners, a consulting firm helping organizations integrate AI responsibly to drive growth and efficiency without losing the human touch. Through Axion, David advises founders and executives on operational strategy, customer experience, and the practical applications of AI in business.

A recognized voice on the future of AI-enabled operations, David brings a pragmatic and empathetic perspective to how technology can unlock both business performance and human potential. He lives in Phoenix with his family of four.



Dr. Edmond Baker

Dr. Edmond Baker is a visionary physician executive dedicated to revolutionizing healthcare through **technology** and **equity**. With a career spanning military service, corporate leadership at DuPont, and over a decade as a respected clinician, Dr. Baker brings a unique perspective to digital transformation in his current role as Chief Medical Officer at Drive Health.

A graduate of the University of Michigan Medical School, Dr. Baker is passionately focused on using **cutting-edge technology** to make high-quality care simpler, more accessible, and more equitable for every patient.

He is an advocate for closing the digital divide in healthcare, particularly within underserved communities, and remains heavily involved in the African American community in Phoenix. Dr. Baker's insights on integrating tech solutions with compassionate, patient-centered care are invaluable for anyone shaping the future of medicine.

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Dr. Racquel Robinson Jones

Dr. Racquel Robinson Jones, DBA, PMP, CSM, CSPO, is a Critical Environment Operations Manager at Microsoft, overseeing data center operations across Texas. With over 15 years of experience in the Information Technology industry, she has expertise in engineering program management and continuous improvement. Her leadership tenure includes roles at VMware and Intel Corporation.

She earned her Doctorate in Business Administration from Florida International University, where her research examined risk factors for supply chain interruption in the U.S. automotive industry during the semiconductor shortage. She also holds a Master of Science in Information Systems from the University of Phoenix and a Bachelor of Science in Information Systems from Rochester Institute of Technology.

Dr. Jones is a certified Project Management Professional (PMP), Certified Scrum Master (CSM), and Certified Scrum Product Owner (CSPO); an instructor and tutor for PMP and CAPM certification courses through RMC Learning Solutions and Varsity Tutors.

Dedicated to lifelong learning and service, Dr. Jones mentors both youth and adults pursuing careers in STEM and project management. She recently presented at the American Association of Blacks in Higher Education (AABHE) National Conference on best practices in quantitative research.

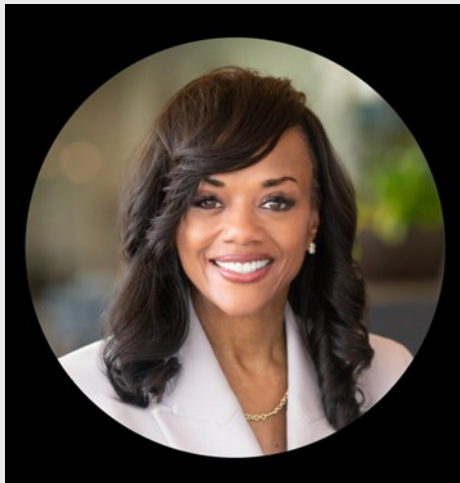
A proud life member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., she currently serves with the Austin Alumnae Chapter and previously held memberships in Columbia (SC), Phoenix Metropolitan Alumnae (AZ), and Rochester Alumnae (NY) Chapters. Racquel was initiated in the Pi Beta Chapter in Rochester, New York. Originally from the Bronx, New York, Dr. Jones' lived experiences drives her advocacy for equity in education and community access to technology.



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Dr. Toni Farmer-Thompson

Dr. Toni Farmer-Thompson is an accomplished and visionary leader with over 25 years of experience spanning corporate America, academia, and economic development. Dr. Farmer-Thompson has held executive positions at esteemed institutions such as Arizona State University, Grand Canyon University, and currently serves as President at Strayer University.

Strayer University's mission aligns with her personal and professional vision: to empower students—many of whom are adult learners balancing families and education—to achieve academic success and economic mobility. Dr. Farmer-Thompson firmly believes that education is a vehicle for workforce transformation and change.

By leveraging the latest technologies, building adaptive learning pathways, and working with local employers, Dr. Farmer-Thompson is committed to providing innovative solutions and personalized support that helps our nontraditional students build a better future for themselves.

Previously, Dr. Farmer-Thompson has held various roles in higher education, including Provost and Chief Academic Officer, Founding Honors College Dean, Senior Vice President of Institutional Effectiveness, Division Chief Financial and Operations Officer, Chief Diversity Officer, and Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs. Through this experience, I developed versatility and depth of knowledge in academic programs, faculty oversight, academic analytics, institutional effectiveness, assessment, accreditation, research, reporting, and strategic planning. Known as a "turnaround specialist," Dr. Farmer-Thompson has a proven track record in comprehensive process improvement, financial recovery planning, and organizational restructuring.

Dr. Farmer-Thompson is also the President/CEO of the Foresight Foundation for Economic Equity, an emerging Community Development Financial Institution (CDFI), where she has built key partnerships with community economic councils and multi-national financial institutions, leveraging the strengths of both academia and industry to create mutually beneficial opportunities for growth and to drive economic equity initiatives. Dr. Farmer-Thompson is dedicated to fostering educational excellence and economic development, to leave a lasting impact on the institutions and communities she serves.

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Jonathan Lindsay

Jonathan Lindsay is an experienced technology executive and community leader with more than 25 years of experience spanning Fortune 500 corporations and entrepreneurial ventures. He currently serves as a Senior Service Manager at Microsoft, where he leads engagement with major Financial Services clients, driving business value through technology strategy, customer success, and operational excellence.

Over the course of his career, Jonathan has held diverse leadership roles in application development, systems analysis, IT strategy, project and process management, and relationship management. His expertise lies in building high-performing teams, fostering innovation, and delivering measurable results that align technology with business outcomes.

Jonathan earned a B.S. in Computer Science from Winston-Salem State University and an MBA with a concentration in IT Management from the UNC Charlotte Belk College of Business. He also holds credentials as a Project Management Professional (PMP) and a Six Sigma Black Belt, underscoring his commitment to disciplined execution and continuous improvement.

Beyond his corporate success, Jonathan is a dedicated servant leader in the community. He is the founder of the Alpha Academy Mentorship Program, which this year celebrates 23 years of shaping young men into leaders through academic enrichment, cultural awareness, and social development. He also serves as Vice President of Operations for the BEAM Foundation, Inc., furthering its mission to empower youth and families through education and mentorship.

Jonathan's proudest roles, however, are at home. He and his wife, Nikita, are celebrating 25 years of marriage and are the proud parents of two accomplished young adults.



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Dr. Stacia Wilson

Dr. Stacia Wilson currently serves as the Superintendent of Tempe Union High School District (TUHSD) located in Tempe, Arizona. Tempe Union High School District serves nearly 12,000 students grades nine through twelve. Dr. Wilson has dedicated twenty-eight years to serving the Tempe and Phoenix communities as an educator and mentor to young people. She earned her bachelor's degree in English Secondary Education from Hampton University in Virginia, her Master's degree from Northern Arizona University (NAU), and her doctoral degree in Educational Leadership from NAU.

Dr. Wilson began the first 10 years of her career as an English teacher at Desert Vista High School. Following that, she was promoted to an administrative role at Tempe High School where she served as a high school administrator for 10 years, taking on roles such as assistant principal of activities, assistant principal of academics, and principal. Under her leadership, Tempe High School received an 'A' rating from the Arizona Department of Education and the Arizona Education Foundation's A+ School of Excellence Award. In 2018,

Dr. Wilson became the Associate Superintendent of TUHSD, supporting daily operations and the Strategic Plan. In August 2023, Dr. Wilson was appointed Acting Superintendent and in December, the Governing Board voted unanimously for Dr. Wilson to become Tempe Union's permanent Superintendent effective July 2024.

Dr. Wilson is deeply engaged in her community as a member of the Phoenix Chapter of the Links, Incorporated, the Phoenix Metropolitan Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., and the Scottsdale Chapter of Smart Set. For nearly 30 years, she has dedicated herself to advancing educational and leadership opportunities in Tempe and Phoenix. As a Superintendent, Dr. Wilson is dedicated to creating systems that guarantee students from all backgrounds have access to high-quality educational programs, curricula, and experiences. Tempe Union was recently rated as an "A" district by the Arizona Department of Education (ADE), with all six Tempe Union comprehensive schools receiving "A" grades individually. She is the recipient of the 2025 Champions of Public Education - Superintendent of the Year award from Save Our Schools Arizona and was the 2024 recipient of the Arizona Commission of African American Affairs Unsung Hero Education Pillar Award. Dr. Wilson regularly emphasizes her commitment to helping young people discover their purpose, pursue their dreams, and achieve their goals as she continues to work diligently to serve young people and families in pursuit of excellence.

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Dr. Barbara Whye

Dr. Barbara Whye is a former Fortune 50 technology executive and global leader at the intersection of AI, ethics, and innovation. An electrical engineer turned executive, she has over 25 years of experience leading transformation across manufacturing, digital strategy, human resources, and corporate responsibility.

Most recently, Barbara served as Vice President of Inclusion and Diversity at Apple, where she advanced innovative people and leadership practices. Previously, at Intel, she held senior roles including Corporate Vice President of HR, Chief Diversity and Inclusion Officer, and Executive Director of the Intel Foundation. She led Intel's \$300 million Global Diversity in Technology Initiative, achieving results two years early, and oversaw global operations projects such as launching Intel's manufacturing facility in Costa Rica.

Recognized by Fortune as one of the Most Powerful Women in Business, Barbara has testified before U.S. Congress and been featured in Bloomberg TV, Fast Company, The New York Times, and The Wall Street Journal.

She holds a Ph.D. in AI and Ethics from Arizona State University, an MBA and B.S. in Electrical Engineering from the University of South Carolina. She is a Stanford Graduate School of Business alumna and serves on the Board of BlackLine, Inc., chairing its Nominating and Governance Committee.



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Celestine Pressley

Celestine Pressley is an expert in delivering impactful insights and guidance to C-suite executives and senior IT leaders. She has a proven ability to anticipate future trends, identify emerging technologies, and develop innovative solutions. Celestine conducts global workshops, webinars, and keynote speeches on topics such as Artificial Intelligence, Digital Transformation, and IT Strategy.

She holds an executive coaching certification, which enhances her ability to provide strategic advisory services. This certification equips Celestine with advanced skills in leadership development and organizational transformation, enabling her to guide executives more effectively through complex challenges and strategic decision-making processes.

She has delivered strategic advisory services to higher education, healthcare, and public sector C-suite executives leveraging IT best practices to enhance decision-making capabilities. Celestine developed and executed customized strategic plans to address challenges like cybersecurity and IT governance, resulting in improved client outcomes.

As the Chief Information Officer (CIO) at the White House Trade Office (USTR) from October 2018 to April 2022, Celestine led the agency's IT vision, strategy, and execution focused on modernization, digital transformation, and automation. She managed infrastructure, architecture, cybersecurity, data management, and application development across multiple international offices. Celestine propelled productivity by 80% through a rapid system build to track tariff exclusion requests, utilizing agile methodologies. She facilitated compliance with the U.S. Mexico Canada Act (USCMA) by deploying an integrated network for a new office in Mexico City.

Outside of work, Celestine enjoys movies, reading, and spending quality time with her family and friends. She is the proud mother of one phenomenal son, Joshua Aiden Pressley.

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Award of Merit

Marion K. Kelly,
Director, Office for Community & Business Relations, Mayo Clinic, Arizona



Marion Kelly serves as Director, Community Relations within Communications at Mayo Clinic. In this role, Mr. Kelly provides leadership for the organizations' efforts to build solid neighbor, civic and corporate relationships. Additionally, he is responsible for Mayo Clinic's external Diversity & Inclusion effort for the Arizona campus.

Marion's broad experiences are in both the education and political arena. His experiences include teaching elementary education, working in the United States Senate, Indiana University School of Medicine Administration and Assistant Dean for Admissions and Student Affairs at Mayo Medical School. Mr. Kelly was an appointee in the George W. H. Bush White House administration as Special Assistant for At Risk Youth Initiatives at the United States Department of Labor, and as the White House Liaison for the Labor Department.

Mr. Kelly holds degrees from Kentucky State University and University of Kentucky. He has completed additional graduate level coursework in Psychology at Indiana University

He serves his local community as:

Grand Canyon University, Member Board of Trustees
Maricopa County Community Health Partnership, Partner
Coalition of Blacks Against Breast Cancer, Co-Founder
Diversity Leadership Alliance, Co-Founder & Board Member
Scottsdale Area Chamber of Commerce, Board Member

Marion holds a lifetime membership in Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity Incorporated and received the Attorney Thomas Bradley Distinguished Citizen Award from Kappa Alpha Psi Western Region meeting held in the summer of 2017. Scottsdale Leadership presented the Frank Hodges Alumni Achievement Award in December 2017, and he was inducted into the Scottsdale Chamber of Commerce Hall of Fame in 2023.

He is married to Francine Ellison Kelly. They have three adult children, Kristopher, Ericka, Kyle, and more importantly four grandchildren 5 years to 16 years old.

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Troyhar Campbell

Troyhar Campbell is a freshman at Arizona State University pursuing a Bachelor of Science in Design, Architectural Studies. A graduate of Mountain Pointe High School in Phoenix, Arizona, he has established himself as a dedicated student-athlete, mentor, and community leader.

During high school, Troyhar was a four-year varsity letterman in football, maintaining a 3.2 GPA while earning recognition on the Sports360AZ 6A Football All-Academic Team in 2023–2024 and 2024–2025. He completed the Tempe Union High School Engineering CTE Program, earned his SkillsUSA certification in 2024, and accumulated 12 college credits through Rio Salado College's dual enrollment program. As a former member of the National Society of Black Engineers Junior (NSBE JR) – Greater Phoenix Future Engineers, he participated in STEM workshops that promoted innovation, problem-solving, and collaboration.

Beyond academics and athletics, Troyhar has dedicated seven years to mentorship and service with the AZ Saints Youth Sports Mentorship Program under Righteous Inc., where he has supported youth development as a mentor and role model. He has also volunteered as an assistant basketball coach at the Cesar Chavez Community Center, fostering teamwork, sportsmanship, and skill development among young athletes.

Now at ASU, Troyhar is expanding his foundation of leadership and service while pursuing his future in architecture. He aspires to merge his passion for design, architecture, and STEM with a dedication to creating meaningful, lasting impact within his community.



John Michael Davis

John Michael Davis, of Mesa, Arizona, graduated from Eastmark High School, and is now attending Morehouse College as a freshman majoring in Business Administration with a minor in Urban Planning.

John's favorite school subjects are business and social studies because they help him understand how communities and economies grow. In high school, John was involved in the Mesa Mayor's Youth Council, the Arizona Governor's Youth Commission, and the Queen Creek Unified School District Student Superintendent Advisory Council. He also founded The Love John Project, an annual initiative that feeds the homeless on his birthday with support from people around the world. These experiences taught John the importance of leadership, teamwork, and serving others.

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John Michael Davis (cont.)

Now that John is enrolled at Morehouse College, he is the President of my dorm (Living Learning Center) and elected as Mr. Abby for Spelman College Residence Hall Association.

Outside of school, he enjoys spending time with friends, going to basketball games, and finding new ways to give back. He is passionate about creating positive change and building communities where everyone feels they belong. A unique fact about John is that my community service project started as a small family effort and has now grown into something that inspires people beyond the United States.

John's career goal is to become a City Planner who helps design inclusive, sustainable communities that provide opportunities and connection for all residents. This scholarship will help him focus on his education and continue to maintain his weekly community service commitments in Atlanta.

John is thankful for this scholarship because it relieves the financial burden for his family. John is extremely excited about his future in this field, because he wants to bridge the gap of the have and have not communities.



Mason Alexander Gibbs

Mason Alexander Gibbs is a freshman at Tuskegee University, majoring in Aerospace Engineering. He is gaining hands-on experience in rocketry operations, composite fabrication, and avionics integration.

At Tuskegee, Mason is an active member of the Tuskegee Organization for Rocketry Operations (TORO), where he has built and tested rockets.

He also engages with the aerospace industry through his membership in the Tuskegee chapters of the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (AIAA) and the National Society of Black Engineers (NSBE).



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Carter Henderson-Cole

Carter Henderson-Cole is a dedicated student from Goodyear, Arizona, with strong interests in nursing, Spanish, and social justice.

His academic goals are to major in nursing with a minor in Spanish at the University of Arizona and graduate summa cum laude while minimizing student debt.

Inspired by immersion experiences in El Salvador, Carter plans to use his education to improve healthcare access and support underserved communities abroad.



Caleb Williams

Caleb J. Williams is attending the University of Alabama at Birmingham as a sophomore to major in Biomedical Sciences to earn a Bachelor of Science. Caleb belongs to the National Honor Society, National Society of High School Scholars, Key Club and Honor Society. He was the captain of the Dysart High Varsity Basketball team for 2024-2025. He volunteered 40 hours with the Feed My Starving Children organization and over 140 hours at Luke Air Force Base Youth Center. An accomplishment he is most proud of is maintaining a weighted 4.66 GPA and being recognized on the Dysart High School Principal's List every semester. Although not easy to do as a student-athlete, he is extremely proud of his ability to push through obstacles and achieve his goal of graduating as top 1 percent of his class. Additionally, he is honored to have served as the Captain of his Varsity Basketball team and earn two Regional Championships along with many individual awards as a cross-country runner.

Caleb credits his abilities and accomplishments from his faith as a follower of Christ and the support of his parents, grandparents, aunts and uncle. Caleb goals are to become a neurosurgeon and build healthier communities in rural areas such as the Black Belt Region in central Alabama which lacks access to adequate healthcare.



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AI TRAINING RESOURCES

Free Course	Provider	Level & Duration	Certification	URL
AI Essentials	Google (Grow with Google)	Beginner ~5 hours	Google AI Essentials Skill Badge	https://grow.google/ai-essentials/
Introduction to Generative AI	Google Cloud Skills Boost	Beginner ~45 minutes	Google Cloud Skill Badge	https://www.cloudskillsboost.google/course_templates/536
Career Essentials in Generative AI	Microsoft & LinkedIn Learning	Beginner ~4–5 hours	LinkedIn/Microsoft Professional Certificate	https://www.linkedin.com/learning/
Foundations of Prompt Engineering	AWS Skill Builder	Intermediate ~4 hours	AWS Certificate of Completion	https://skillbuilder.aws/learn/VF6H4SZ1BU/foundations-of-prompt-engineering
Artificial Intelligence Fundamentals	IBM SkillsBuild	Beginner ~10+ hours	IBM Digital Badge (Credly)	https://skillsbuild.org/college-students/course-catalog/artificial-intelligence-fundamentals

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