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PRESIDENT-CHANCELLOR DR. RAY L. BELTON IS CELEBRATED FOR 35 YEARS OF SERVICE AT THE JUNE 2022 CONVENING OF THE SU BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MEETING HELD ON THE SUSLA CAMPUS



Dr. Ray L. Belton, President-Chancellor of the Southern University System (SUS) and Southern University A&M College (SUBR), culminated his thirty-five years of service to the SU System at the June 2022 convening of the SU Board of Supervisors (BOS) meeting held in Shreveport. Dr. Belton served fourteen years as Chancellor for Southern University at Shreveport (SUSLA) before making history in 2015 by being named the President-Chancellor for SUS and SUBR. Upon his retirement, June 30, 2022, he served in the dual role as President-Chancellor for seven years.

SUSLA and the Board of Supervisors hosted a reception in tribute to Dr. Belton at the Shreveport Hilton Convention Center Hotel on June 23, 2022, attended by Dr. Belton's family and friends, the Honorable Shreveport Mayor Adrian Perkins, members of the Caddo Parish Commission and Shreveport City Council, a host of community leaders and education advocates, Southern Alumni, chancellors for each of the five SU campuses and the SUSLA family. The event was highlighted by acknowledgments, presentations, and proclamations honoring Dr. Belton's leadership and commitment to higher education. Mayor Perkins presented Dr. Belton with the key to the City of Shreveport. The Caddo Commission presented Dr. Belton with the key to the parish. Dr. Vladimir A. Appeaning, Interim Chancellor for SUSLA, presented Dr. Belton with a resolution in recognition of his distinguished service, Ms. Linzola Winzer presented Mrs. Norma Belton, Dr. Belton's wife, with a bouquet of roses. Dr. Appeaning also announced the creation of The SUSLA Dr. Ray L. Belton Endowed Scholarship Fund.

Thank you for your service, President-Chancellor Dr. Ray L. Belton!

PICTURED ON COVER: INTERIM CHANCELLOR DR. VLADIMIR A. APPEANING AND SUSLA CHIEF ADVANCEMENT OFFICER STEPHANIE Rogers surprise president-chancellor dr. Ray belton with a scholarship for students made in his name.



THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE!







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PHILANTHROPIC GIVING AT SUSLA EXCEEDS \$360K DURING THE JUNE 2022 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING IN SHREVEPORT



Southern University at Shreveport (SUSLA) and The Southern University at Shreveport Foundation (SUSF) are pleased to announce the creation of The Dr. Ray L. Belton "Pathway Forward" Two-Year Workforce \$100,000 Endowed Scholarship.

Dr. Belton recently retired as the President of the Southern University System (SUS) and as the Chancellor of Southern University Baton Rouge (SUBR). The scholarship is a special gesture of gratitude specifically marking his 14 years of service at SUSLA.

The establishment of the scholarship was presented during a retirement reception hosted by SUSLA to honor Dr. Belton's 35 years of service to the Southern University System. It was then ratified at the June 24, 2022 SUS Board meeting. The scholarship will benefit students pursuing degrees or industry credentials in the career fields identified as high demand for our region by the Louisiana Workforce Commission.

Other Check Presentations for SUSLA at the SU Board of Supervisors Meeting:

\$25,000 Presentation from The Community Foundation of North Louisiana. This award was presented by Elizabeth LaBorde, Director of Grants Programs. The award will support student scholarships, internships, a guest lecture series, and faculty and staff retention in The Roy Griggs School of Business.

\$30,000 Presentation from Red River Bank. This award was presented by Judy Madison, Vice President of Market Outreach and Mortgage Lending, and Mark Rowe, Vice President of Commercial Banking. This award will provide overall program support for The Roy Griggs School of Business including student scholarships, internships, program development, a guest lecture series, and faculty and staff retention.

\$30,000 Presentation from CenterPoint Energy. This award was presented by Eric Barkley, NLA District Director, Theresa Sauls, CenterPoint Community Relations, and others from the CenterPoint Group. This award will provide program support for SUSLA's STEM Summer Enrichment Academy (SSEA) in Drone Technology. The inaugural kick-off of the Academy was June 1, 2022 and twenty-five 8th-12th graders completed the Drone Camp.

\$100,000 Presentation-Roy Griggs School of Business First Generation Endowment presented by Stephanie Rogers, Chief Advancement Officer for SUSLA. This grant scholarship will support access for students who are first in their families to start or complete a college education.

\$125,000 Presentation from The Southern University Shreveport Foundation presented by Robert Piper, Esq., and former SUS Board Member, Dottie Bell. This award is designated to benefit students with scholarships and for campus enhancements.

RIBBON CUTTING OFFICIALLY WELCOMES THE ROY GRIGGS SCHOOL OF BUSINESS AT SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY AT SHREVEPORT



A little more than a year and half after announcing plans for the project, Southern University at Shreveport (SUSLA) cut the ribbon and unveiled the newly minted — Roy Griggs School of Business.

Immediately following the regular meeting of the Southern University System (SUS) Board of Supervisors Meeting on June 24, 2022, Interim SUSLA Chancellor Dr. Vladimir A. Appeaning along with SUS dignitaries, Mr. Roy Griggs and family, and business faculty officially unveiled the Roy Griggs School of Business (RGSB) – the new name for the oldest department on campus. Also, on hand for the event, were retiring SU System President-Chancellor Dr. Ray L. Belton, incoming SU System President-Chancellor Dr. Dennis Shields, Shreveport Mayor Adrian Perkins, local SUS Board Members Sam Gilliam and Richard Hilliard, and a host of leaders from throughout the community.

For this new chapter in the School of Business Dr. Appeaning states, "Southern University at Shreveport is very pleased that Mr. Roy Griggs - an entrepreneur, businessman, and philanthropist - has partnered with the University in such a meaningful way that he has graciously provided his name to be associated with the School of Business, which has culminated into the unveiling of the Roy Griggs School of Business at Southern University at Shreveport. We look forward to the Roy Griggs School of Business strengthening workforce and employment opportunities in the Northwest Region of the State, transforming the lives of local community residents for years to come, and creating better and brighter futures!"

The Business Department is named for Roy Griggs who is the CEO of Griggs Enterprise, Inc., and who is the largest franchise owner/operator of McDonald's Restaurants in the region. With 17 McDonald's restaurants in Northwest Louisiana (four in East Texas), Griggs is also the largest African-American franchise owner/operator in the region. For more than 40 years, Mr. Griggs has contributed to the economic growth of the community by employing nearly 1,000 citizens at his restaurants and at the organization's corporate headquarters. Mr. Griggs stated, "I am extremely honored to partner with Southern University and my family and I are just humbled beyond words at the naming of the school. I just want to do everything I can to help students succeed... I want them to know that if I can do it, they can, too."

According to the Business Department Program Chair, Dr. Regina Webb, and Professor of Business, Aylwin Holman, RGSB will transform learning for students majoring in Business Management or Accounting by creating an engaging environment that

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replicates the real-work atmosphere. Students will be better positioned to succeed in a global workforce utilizing state-of-the art computer labs and classrooms updated with industry-standard business software. Dr. Webb states, "Thank you Mr. Roy Griggs for allowing your name to be used in renaming our School of Business at Southern University at Shreveport (SUSLA) as the Roy Griggs School of Business (RGSB). The future is indeed brighter for our students and this great community. We are elated about transforming the lives of our students with a solid foundation of knowledge relative to the fields of Accounting and Business while developing the communication skills necessary to advance in today's technological business environment. Opportunity starts here at the Roy Griggs School of Business!"

A year and a half ago, the University announced the project with a kickoff campaign through the Advancement Office. With a lead gift of \$250,000 from Griggs, he and Campaign Co-Chairs helped to secure an immediate match of an additional \$250,000 from corporate partners for an initial investment of \$500,000. To date, the project has raised over \$777,000 in donations and pledges to support scholarships, faculty, and program enhancements.

The Campaign was led by Co-Chairs Jean Mosley and David Aubrey and managed by SUSLA's Chief Advancement Officer, Stephanie Rogers. Along with Mr. & Mrs. Griggs, inaugural investors include: SUSLA, Mr. & Mrs. John Atkins, Home Federal Bank, JP Morgan Chase, Louisiana Board of Regents, McDonald's USA, Carter Federal Credit Union, Community Foundation of North Louisiana, Grayson Foundation, Red River Bank, AT&T, Committee of 100, BesCA Land Services, FireTech Systems, and "Friends of RGSB".

The Academic Program Leadership Team includes: Dr. Regina Webb, Program Chair; Mr. Aylwin Holman, Professor of Accounting; Dr. Barry Hester, Retired Interim Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs and CWD, Dean of BSTEM. Marketing was led by Michael Thomas, Director of Marketing and University Relations.

Since starting the partnership years ago with Janice Sneed (SUSLA Associate Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs & Workforce Development), Griggs Enterprise, Inc. has had a collective impact of \$1.4M to SUSLA and its students. We express sincere gratitude to the Ribbon Cutting Committee and all who supported the launch of this project.



HISTORIC NURSING AFFILIATE AGREEMENT BETWEEN SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY AT SHREVEPORT AND SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY IN BATON ROUGE TO IMPLEMENT A 100% ONLINE RN-BSN PROGRAM



On Thursday, June 23, 2022, officials from Southern University and A&M College (SUBR) and Southern University at Shreveport (SUSLA) signed an affiliation agreement between the respective nursing and allied health programs of both institutions. The partnership will allow graduates of SUSLA's registered nurse (RN) program to continue their education online toward earning a Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing (BSN) at SUBR. The 2+2 program is designed for RNs to continue practicing in the medical field while pursuing their BSN.

The RN to BSN model will allow SUSLA students who have completed their first two years of study and graduated with their Associate of Science in Nursing (ASN) degree to seamlessly transfer credit hours to the nursing program at Southern University at Baton Rouge for completion of the online RN-BSN degree program. This agreement also offers an option for students to begin taking their required remaining classes through concurrent enrollment, allowing students to complete online classes at SUBR while completing their ASN studies at SUSLA. The nursing programs at Southern University at Baton Rouge and Southern University at Shreveport are both approved by the Louisiana Board of Nursing.

SUSLA Interim Chancellor, Dr. Vladimir A. Appeaning shared this insight..."The signing of this Nursing Affiliate Agreement between Southern University at Shreveport and Southern University at Baton Rouge will provide yet another pathway for ASN graduates of SUSLA's Nursing Program to advance their careers by seamlessly earning the BSN degree through SUBR's Nursing Program in approximately one year without having to leave their homes and jobs right here in Shreveport since the program is delivered 100% online." He continued, "This innovative program will also help to alleviate the current shortage of registered nurses in the workforce."

The program is scheduled to be launched Fall 2022.

SUSLA CELEBRATES RETIREES WITH A "SWEET" RETIREMENT PARTY SPONSORED BY HEALTHCARE EXPRESS, BLANCHARD URGENT CARE



It was time to close the chapter for our retirees at Southern University at Shreveport, but we kept it "sweet." With the help of our Faculty & Staff Senate committee, SUSLA surprised the retirees with a beautiful retirement party sponsored by HealthCARE Express, Blanchard Urgent Care Clinic. Family and friends were welcomed with a beautiful dessert bar filled with cupcakes, donuts, variations of candy, fruits, and beverages. They even provided a vibrant photo booth with a custom frame created by our sponsor. Each retiree received a special plaque, letters, and certificates from Saundra Bigham, Staff Senate President, and Lt. Jeff Ivey, Staff Senate Vice President, and Dr. Lonnie McCray, Dean of Arts, Humanities, Social Sciences & Education (AHSSE), and a signature frame for faculty and staff to leave kind words and memories on them.

"I am grateful for the excellent support these retirees have offered SUSLA over the years and for the friendships we have shared. The success of SUSLA is derived from many sources and the efforts of people over a very long time. They are a part of that success," says Bigham. Everyone enjoyed themselves and expressed their gratitude for the appreciation celebration. We wish all of our retirees a safe and exciting new chapter. Thank you for your hard work and devotion to Southern University at Shreveport.

Congratulations to the retirees: Dr. John Alak, Bonnie Godette, Dr. Barry Hester, George Lewis III, Dr. Joseph Orban, Delores Roberson, Dorsey Summerfield, Dr. Wanda Waller, Dr. Kaye Washington, Regina Winn, Sophia Jackson-Lee, Betty Fagbeyiro, Lillie Speed, Ronald Wilson, Billy McFann, Linda Anderson, Cynthia Latin, Marshall Nelson, and Bobby Brown.

Thanks to Lovee Pinson of HealthCARE Express, Blanchard Urgent Care Clinic, for the dessert bar and fantastic decor. Thank you to Staff Senate President, Saundra Bigham, Dean of AHSSE, Dr. Lonnie McCray, and Graphic Services Coordinator, Dellanee Wade, for the extensive planning and preparations.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS & SUPPORTING SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY AT SHREVEPORT.



CONGRATULATIONS TO MS. STEPHANIE GRAHAM FOR RECEIVING THE "ABOVE AND BEYOND" AWARD



The "Above and Beyond" Award was established to help inspire and motivate Southern University employees to reach their maximum performance. One award is presented at the SUS Board of Supervisors meeting each month. This award honors outstanding achievements in the workplace, exceptional contributions toward efficiency and effectiveness of operations, special efforts in promoting workforce excellence, or outstanding service to the University community and constituents.



If you observe Stephanie Graham from a distance her demeanor displays quiet and humility, but when you work with her up close her action shows a strong, focused, hardworking individual who goes over and beyond to get the job done. Burning the midnight oil comes naturally to her even if it is not her job to do. Even though she does not work directly with students, she is constantly looking for grant opportunities for our students and the various constituents in SUSLA's service area. She has a genuine love for the institution as this can be seen by the steadfastness in her work.

During Stephanie's tenure at SUSLA, she led her team to secure \$18 million in competitive grant funding to develop new academic programs, build capacity for existing academic programs, expand adult education and youth-centered programs, and provide workforce training to underserved, economically challenged populations. She counts among her greatest professional accomplishments as serving as the Co-Principal Investigator for Project Success funded at \$4.2 million by the U.S. Department of Labor. Project Success provides academic resources and financial support to over 200 allied health and nursing majors. Greater than 80% of participants persisted to graduation, passed licensing exams, and were placed into employment.

Ms. Graham is also the proud mother of Atty. Jourdan Williams, an alumna of Southern University Law Center Class of 2018.

TRIO EDUCATIONAL TALENT SEARCH EXPLORES THE WORLD OF VIDEO GAMES AT NORTHWESTERN STATE UNIVERSITY





The 2022 Educational Talent Search Summer Tutorial students toured Northwestern State University in Natchitoches, Louisiana. While visiting the campus, students were introduced to the world of Esports, a form of competition using video games. The gaming industry is moving at a blistering pace across the country, which explains the newly launched Esports program at the university, which offers students of all skill levels the chance to play and compete in some of the most popular games in the country.

At its core, Esports is the world of organized, competitive games. Players worldwide compete in various leagues, on teams or individually, and face off against each other. Games like Fortnite, Call of Duty, Overwatch and Madden are played in front of millions of fans in live events and online streaming services such as Twitch. "It was such a fun experience watching the students enjoy playing video games and engaging with NSU students as they learn what the university has to offer them," said Tonja W. Prudhomme, Director of Educational Talent Search.

Located in the former campus bookstore of the Friedman Student Union, the NSU Esports arena is home to one of the most extensive gaming experiences in the state. The 3,500 square-foot lounge houses 24 fully-equipped computers, multiple consoles, and plenty of room for students to dive headfirst into a wide array of gaming worlds. The space is designed for the students and for both competitive and recreational gaming. The TRiO ETS students were amazed!

Trio Educational Talent Search Staff: Tonja W. Prudhomme, Director; Dameius Morris, Educational Advisor; Dr. Terrance Toney, Educational Advisor; and Danielle Anderson, Educational Advisor.

TRIO'S UPWARD BOUND PROGRAMS EXPLORE CORPUS CHRISTI, TX



PICTURED (L TO R): THE UT-CORPUS CHRISTI TOUR GUIDE, UPWARD BOUND NORTH & SOUTH STUDENTS, MR. ERNEST FLOWERS, DIRECTOR OF UPWARD BOUND NORTH, MS. ZENOBIA HENDERSON, COORDINATOR/EDUCATIONAL ADVOCATE/COORDINATOR OF UPWARD BOUND NORTH, MRS. REBECCA GILLIAM, DIRECTOR OF UPWARD SOUTH, MRS. BOBBIE LATTIER, COORDINATOR/EDUCATIONAL ADVOCATE OF UPWARD BOUND SOUTH, AND MS. JASSERY DARBY, EDUCATIONAL ADVOCATE OF UPWARD BOUND SOUTH AT THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT CORPUS CHRISTI

It has been another wonderful adventurous college tour for the TRiO's Upward Bound North and South Programs. On June 12, 2022, the two programs had the fantastic opportunity to visit the University of Texas A&M, located on an island in Corpus Christi, Texas.

During this trip, the participants visited the USS Lexington, Aquarium, including a live dolphin show, The Selena Museum, Sk8land Corpus Christi Skating Rink, and the Alamo Drafthouse Theatre. This experience allowed students to explore and participate in multicultural activities and dine at various restaurants. "Giving students the chance to get first-hand educational learning experiences empowers the mind and allows them to reach for the stars," says Zenobia Henderson, Coordinator/Educational Advocate for Upward Bound North.

Hats off to Jassery Darby, Educational Advocate for Upward Bound South; job well done on coordinating the college tour to Corpus Christi, Texas.





HBCU LOVE: TRIO'S EDUCATIONAL TALENT SEARCH MEETS THE FIRST FEMALE PRESIDENT AT ALCORN STATE UNIVERSITY

It was a great day to be a Jaguar for our TRiO Educational Talent Search students! The group visited Alcorn State University in Lorman, MS. The significant highlights of the Educational Talent Search visit to Alcorn State University were touring the campus bookstore and meeting with the 1st Woman President at Alcorn, Dr. Felicia M. Nave, Ph.D. Dr. Nave not only welcomed the students with open arms, but she explained the importance of attending an HBCU and the cultural experience. "It was a huge honor to meet the first female president at Alcorn and witness representation for our little girls in the program," said Tonja W. Prudhomme, Director of Educational Talent Search. The HBCU love was worth celebrating!



PICTURED: MR. CRAIG JOHNSON, DIRECTOR OF EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY CENTERS PROGRAM AT EOC OUTREACH DAY

TRIO EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY CENTERS PROGRAM CELEBRATES OUTREACH DAY AT LOCAL ESTATE

The TRiO Educational Opportunity Centers Program partnered with Fairfield Property Management Group at Pinehill Estates to host an TRiO EOC Outreach Day. EOC presented to the Pinehill community discussing the opportunities that EOC could assist the residents. The primary goal was to recruit participants to its program, which was a great success due to the number of guests. Pinehill Estates is near our SUSLA campus, where many participants have joined the EOC program for a better quality of life. Those who signed up for the program have started their enrollment process at the university for Fall 2022.

ALL OF US RESEARCH PROGRAM & SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY MUSEUM OF ART SHREVEPORT (SUMAS) HOST A WOMEN'S HEALTH DISCUSSION FORUM



On June 29, 2022, Southern University at Shreveport (SUSLA), in partnership with the All of Us Research Program and Southern University Museum of Art Shreveport (SUMAS), hosted the Women's Health Discussion Forum in the Johnny B. Vance Student Activities Center Multipurpose Room on the main campus of the institution. The guest speaker for the occasion was Tiffany George, Primary Nurse Practitioner, MSN, APRN for Willis-Knighton Community Health Clinics. Women from SUSLA's faculty, staff, student body, and the general public attend the event. The discussion forum engaged in mental, physical, and financial health topics.

The guest panelists consisted of professional women in the field of healthcare and community organizations:

- Destiny Jackson, Licensed Professional Counselor MA, LMFT;
- LaToria Thomas, President/CEO of United Way;
- Ingrid Lofton, Registered Radiologist Technician, (R)(M)(ARRT);
- Dr. Rosaline Darty, Nurse Practitioner of David Raines Health Centers;
- SharRon Willis, Nutritional Service Manager, RDN, LDN;
- Jessica Latin, Licensed Professional Counselor, MA, NCC, PMH-C;
- Professor Daphne Thibeaux of Radiologic Technology Department and Faculty Senate Vice President, served as moderator.

Special thanks to Yuvette Allen, SUSLA All of Us Research Ambassador and Transfer Advisor of TRiO's Student Support Services, Johnetta Rhone, All of Us Research Ambassador and Southern University Baton Rouge Agriculture Center Coordinator, and Dr. Angelique Feaster-Evans, SUMAS Coordinator, for hosting such a remarkable event that was insightful for all ages of African American women and women of color.

SUSLA'S HBCU C2 INNOVATIVE TEAM HOSTS THE SUMMER 2022 HBCU C2 CAMP & ACADEMY FOR THE COMMUNITY WITH APPLE



SUSLA's HBCU C2 Innovative Team hosted the Summer 2022 HBCU C2 Camp & Academy on June 27-30, 2022. SUSLA is a Regional Coding Hub for Apple and worked with dozens of elementary, high school, and college students and staff during the camp.

The students earned Apple badges and learned how to use photo booths, iMovie, design apps, and many other things in the tech sphere. Instructors received Apple Certifications. On the last day of the camp, each group of participants gave the campus and community app presentations showcasing what they had learned through the academy.

MY EXPERIENCE AT THE SUSLA STEM SUMMER ENRICHMENT ACADEMY

BY: KAITLIN SMITH, ACADEMY STUDENT

My name is Kaitlin Smith. I will be a junior for the upcoming school year at Captain Shreve High School. My sister Kamryn and I recently participated in a STEM program at SUSLA. We had a great time there. It was an interactive and hands-on program that taught us about drones, flight safety, and more. We did many different things such as simulator training, actual flight time with drones, drone races, and taking the TRUST. Within the simulator, we were put into different scenarios and challenged to fly through a course. After getting familiar with the course, we would add filters to make the simulations more realistic. For instance, we would change the mode from self-leveling to acro-mode. Or we would change the trim when calibrating the controllers. During flight time with the drones, we were made aware of doing a pre-flight check and checking the batteries for swelling and any cracks.

We had the chance to fly in an open field while it was windy out and



there were obstacles in the way. It was nice being able to fly the actual **PICTURED: KAITLIN SMITH, STUDENT FROM THE SUSLA STEM SUMMER ENRICHMENT ACADEMY** drones. It was fun and not very difficult because we had so much practice from the simulators. My favorite part was drone racing. We got the chance to race against our peers by completing a course and seeing who finished first. Although I lost my race, it was still very fun racing with the other kids. For flight safety, we took the TRUST which certifies a person to fly (drones) recreationally. The TRUST was an easy and informative test. To pass the TRUST, you have to pass each quiz with 100% proficiency. Each student in the program passed every quiz! Needless to say, we learned a lot in our time spent in the program. Aside from the drone-related aspects of the program, my sister and I got a chance to interact with all kinds of people. It was nice being able to talk and socialize with peers while learning and having fun.

The teachers of the program were great as well. We were able to communicate to them what we did and didn't understand without a problem. They were nice and patient when we needed help. Our main instructors were Mr. Moses and Mr. Buddy. Though I didn't get a chance to formally speak with Mr. Buddy about his experience, I did get a chance to interview Mr. Moses. Mr. Roderic Moses told me he was an alumnus of Southern University (at Shreveport) who graduated in 2001. He explained that drones had been something he had wanted for his son to get into over the years, but he himself had just recently decided to get into drones. He is now TRUST and Part 107 certified. To conclude our interview, I asked Mr. Moses what his favorite part of the program had been. He replied, "Just seeing how everyone has progressed." Mr. Moses and the other instructors gave me and my sister hope for a possible career in drone technology and application. After receiving the training, and as well as our own drones to fly outside of the program, it seems very possible.

Our overall experience at the SUSLA STEM program was a positive one. We learned of the different avenues drones could take in the future. We would definitely recommend it to friends and family!

SUSLA's 2022 STEM Summer Enrichment Academy (SSEA) is a STEM-based, curriculum-guided, six-week summer program that provides handson STEM enrichment activities. SSEA is offered in three 2-week sessions focused on different STEM areas. The sessions are "ADVENTURES IN MATH AND ENGINEERING & EXPLORING ROBOTICS" AND "FLY LIKE A DRONE AND SOAR LIKE AN AEROSPACE ENGINEER." The third session, "IF IT'S IN THE AIR, AVIATION TECHS PUT IT THERE" begins July 11, 2022 at SUSLA's aviation facility at the Shreveport Downtown Airport. Funding for SSEA is afforded to the Departments of Engineering & Technology and Aviation Maintenance Technology by the U.S. Department of Education MSEIP Grant Programs, Federal Aviation Administration Aviation Maintenance Technical Workers Workforce Development Grant Program, and AEP Swepco.

The SSEA Team: Dr. Kenie Moses, Stephanie Graham, Ja'Quan Davie, Dr. Iris Champion, Breunka Moon, Buddy Anderson, Roderic Moses, Tim Banks, Everett Spells, and David Bartholomew.

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CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR JULY "JAGUAR OF THE MONTH" — OFFICER BIONKA HOWARD

Officer Bionka Howard is a devoted employee of Southern University at Shreveport. She was born and raised in Ruston, Louisiana, and graduated from Ruston High School. She earned her Bachelor's and Master's Degrees in Criminal Justice from Grambling State University. After graduate school, she attended and completed the Caddo Parish Sheriff Department Police Academy. Since then, Officer Howard has been a true asset to law enforcement.

Congratulations, Officer Bionka Howard, on being Jaguar of the Month!



The Heart of Gospel's KOKA Radio recognized 50 honorees at their Inaugural Mattie Brewer-McCulloch's "50 Over 50" Gala. Southern University at Shreveport's very own, Tonja W. Prudhomme and Linzola Winzer, were two of the members of the 2022 class and honored at an exclusive dinner with their friends and family. The Gala was held on July 10th at the Bossier Civic Center. The "50 Over 50" Awards celebrates black achievement and profiles Northwest Louisiana's individuals who give their all as they care for others, reimagine their careers and businesses, and provide hope to our communities. Congratulations to both ladies on such a huge honor!



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR PAYROLL COORDINATOR, TAMIKA HAYDEN, FOR JOINING THE NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY OF LEADERSHIP AND SUCCESS



Congratulations to Tamika Hayden for being recognized as an exemplary student exceeding the criteria for membership in The National Society of Leadership and Success (NSLS). She has joined through the Grambling State University Chapter.

This prestigious honor is awarded to only a small percent of Grambling State University students. Her achievement of a 3.3+ GPA provided her the distinguished honor to join the NSLS as a Presidential member. Congratulations, Ms. Hayden!



The Chancellor's Report is a monthly publication from the Office of the Chancellor Dr. Vladimir A. Appeaning, Interim Chancellor

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