NATIONAL COALITION FOR BLACK DEVELOPMENT IN FAMILY & CONSUMER SCIENCES

Message from the **President**

In Charles Dickens's timeless novel, A
Tale of Two Cities, he begins with "It was
the best of times, it was the worst of
times, it was the age of wisdom, it was
the age of foolishness, . . ." When I was
contemplating my second message as
President of the National Coalition for
Black Development in Family and
Consumer Sciences (NCBDFCS) and
thinking about the current events at
home and abroad, that phrase
immediately came to mind. In many
ways, the phrase is fitting in the U.S.
today:

 Billionaires and huge corporations are giving of their wealth to nonprofits and universities, particularly Historically Black Colleges and Universities. At the same time, certain politicians are on the

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rampage to keep books out of schools and libraries that shine a light on our country's soiled past with regard to slavery and other hot-button topics.

- Self-care is a buzzword today. There is greater awareness of the need for us to take care of ourselves so that we can take care of others. This realization, however, has come on the heels of unprecedented numbers of suicides and other unattended mental health challenges on our university campuses and in our communities. Every socio-economic group has been affected.
- Russia has invaded Ukraine and overtaken at least one Ukrainian city at the time of this
 writing. There are reports of not being able to access cash from ATMs in Ukraine. We
 are not even fully cognizant of all of the implications the invasion will have on us in the
 United States. Fortunately, U.S. universities—and indeed our allies— have rallied in
 support of Ukrainian citizens, faculty, and students at our institutions and stand ready
 to assist in numerous ways.
- Coronavirus cases have gone down to the point that the media and certain cities have begun to use the term "endemic" rather than "pandemic." The lingering results of the pandemic and Russia's invasion of Ukraine are soaring prices at the gas pump, in grocery stores, and in other products and services. Just recently, I saw in the media that childcare services have risen to an average of \$20 an hour! On top of that, gas prices have topped \$7 a gallon in some regions!

With all that is going on domestically and around the globe, I cannot help but think about the profession I chose many years ago to be the vehicle for me to make a difference in the world. Family and Consumer Sciences professionals address contemporary issues such as those mentioned in the previous paragraphs. Whether it is human nutrition, food science, child development and family studies, family resource management, housing and interior design, clothing and textiles, hospitality management, family finance, or health and wellness—we use research, experiential education, and the latest technology to improve the quality of life for individuals, families, and communities. There are just not enough of us to meet society's needs and to positively impact the world in which we live today.

The Coalition will continue to be true to its mission of recruiting, retaining, and rewarding FCS professionals and pre-professionals in their growth and development. We will double down on our commitment to embracing change by empowering and nurturing professionals in family and consumer-related disciplines. It is the best of times; it is the worst of times. It is also high time for family and consumer sciences professionals to lead the way! Thank you!

Doze Y Butler, Ph.D., MBA

President

National Coalition for Black Development in Family and Consumer Science



The Coalition endeavors to enhance and strengthen resources and programs of Historical **Black Colleges and** Universities (HBCUs) by sharing expertise, implementing an annual program of work that provides opportunities for members to increase their knowledge of FCS, and use their knowledge and skills to make a difference in the lives of individuals. families and communities.

National
Coalition for Black
Development in
Family and Consumer
Sciences (NCBDFCS) is

non-profit
organization filled
with individuals just
like you who are
interested in societal
issues impacting

individuals, families, and communities.

To join NCBDFCS visit our website: www.ncbdfcs.org



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS/

Jessica Austin, South Carolina State University Helen Awosika, Morgan State University RaQuan Brown, South Carolina State University Chaunta Collins. South Carolina State University **Kayla Cumbo**, Morgan State University Rakeim Gary, South Carolina State University **Lauren Gboukrou**, Morgan State University Ronay Isariah Hannah, Alabama A&M State University **Sol Leandry**, Morgan State University Naomi Matyszyk, South Carolina State University Ariana McCree, South Carolina State University Octavian Miles, South Carolina State University Remi Olalere, South Carolina State University **Jewel Russell**, Morgan State University Cara Winston Simmons, University of Georgia Rachel Will, University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff Mariah Wimberly, South Carolina State University Ruthdasia Williams, Professional Membership

GET READY TO CAST YOUR VOTE!

Dear Coalition Membership:

The National Coalition for Black Development in Family and Consumer Sciences (NCBDFCS) will be emailing our 2022 ballot. Please check your email in the coming weeks for the ballot and be sure to cast your vote!

Contact Cynthia M. Smith, Chair – Nominating Committee with any questions (c.smith050649@gmail.com).

All voting must be completed by Tuesday, May 20, 2022.



2022 COALITION AWARDS: NOMINATE AN OUTSTANDING MEMBER TODAY!

2022 Coalition Awards

Nominate an Outstanding Member Today! One of the major objectives of the Coalition is to identify and recognize the accomplishments of its members. To fulfill this objective, the following five (5) awards have been established:

Legacy Award

This award is given in recognition and appreciation for long standing, outstanding leadership, contributions, support and mentorship to the NCBDFCS and Family and Consumer Sciences Profession

Outstanding Family & Consumer Sciences Professional

This award recognizes Family and Consumer Science professionals who have recently provided or currently are providing significant contributions to professional associations, or programs for youth and/or adults in their fields, communities, and/or states. Recipients of this award must have made significant contributions toward innovative, unique, and novel programs; and/or improvement, promotion, research or development of programs in Family and Consumer Sciences.

Outstanding Service Award

This award recognizes a Family and Consumer Sciences professional who has made the highest meritorious contributions to the improvement, promotion, development, and progress of Family and Consumer Sciences.

Outstanding New Family & Consumer Sciences Educator

This award is meant to encourage new educators to remain in the profession. Recipients of this award must have made significant contributions toward innovative, unique, and novel programs and have shown a professional commitment early in their careers. Individuals currently employed as full-time classroom educators are eligible for this award.

Outstanding Student Award

This award recognized a FCS student who has an exemplary record of scholarship, leadership, professional and community involvement. The individual must be an active member in a Family and Consumer Sciences student organization. In addition, the student is characterized by his/her service, loyalty, dependability, and professional promise in the field of Family and Consumer Sciences.

Do you know of a member who is doing outstanding work as a professional, a student or as a new FCS teacher in the classroom? We want to honor their contributions and outstanding leadership. Visit the NCBDFCS website at www.ncbdfcs.org to obtain a nomination form. Submit your nominations today! For consideration, nominations for awards are due on or before April 4, 2022. Submit nominations to:

Dr. Valerie Jarvis McMillan, NCBDFCS Awards and Scholarships Committee Chair, vmcmilla@ncat.edu. For questions, please call 336-285-4859.



Make a charitable donation today to the National Coalition for Black Development in Family and Consumer Sciences' Scholarship Fund!

Help support undergraduate and graduate students at HBCUs. Our goal is to expand scholarship funding beyond travel awards to developing larger scholarship awards that will assist students with tuition and fees.

Make all **checks** payable to "National Coalition for Black Development in Family & Consumer Sciences" and mail to ATTN: Derrick Fogg;
National Coalition for Black Development in FCS; 256 RidgewayWarrenton Road, Warrenton, NC 27589.

Donations can also be made **online at www.ncbdfcs.org** by clicking on the Donations Form tab.

If you have any questions regarding the Fellowship and Grants
Committee efforts, please do not hesitate to contact Dr. Devona Dixon
at dldixon@ncat.edu or 336-285-3631



CALLING ALL FASHION STUDENTS! YOU'RE INVITED TO NETWORK WITH PROFESSIONALS!

1

MARCH 31ST @ 6PM

CASHAEY FLEMING - VIRTUAL
MERCHANDISER, ENTREPRENEUR &
ACTRESS

2

APRIL 14TH @ 6PM

DOUGIE NEWTON - FASHION STYLIST & AUTHOR

3

APRIL 28TH @ 6PM

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Remembering Our Members

As an organization that has existed for over 40 years, the National Coalition for Black Development in Family & Consumer Sciences has had many notable members who have passed on. To ensure the life and legacies of these individuals are not lost, we created a page on our website to acknowledge these individuals.

If you desire to contribute to the National Coalition for Black Development in FCS (NCBDFCS) in memory of a past member-or other—stalwarts in the profession please contact the treasurer, Mr. Derrick Fogg, at ncbdfcstreasurer@gmail.com. Thank you for your support of the NCBDFCS.

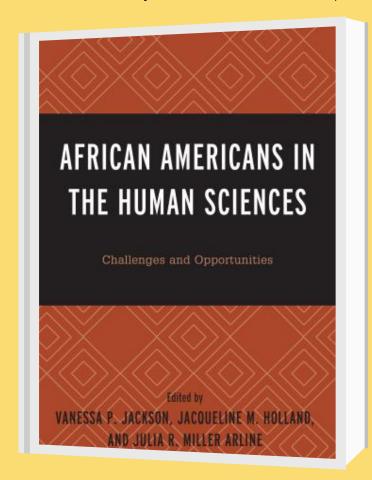
Visit our website to view our new 'In Memoriam" page:

https://www.ncbdfcs.org/memorialtributes.html



AFRICAN AMERICANS IN THE HUMAN SCIENCES: CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Edited by Vanessa Jackson, Jacqueline M. Holland, and Julia R. Miller Arline



This book, published in July 2021 by Lexington Books, explores the role and experience of African American women scholars and educators in the field of human, family, and consumer sciences. Its five sections cover careers in education, the role of historically Black colleges and universities, opportunities and challenges brought about by the internationalization of the field. opportunities for new career paths in the human sciences, and the current and future role of technology. The contributors from a variety of backgrounds with experiences in

research, teaching, outreach, and service taken together, the essays capture the vitality and diversity of knowledge that has, over time, assisted in transforming the field. The relevance of this book at this time of heightened racial awareness - in the U.S. and throughout the world - is without question. Reactions, insights, and ideas for our path forward must be shared.

Proceeds from the book will go toward supporting scholarships for students. The book can be ordered from the publisher at https://rowman.com/ISBN/9781793648945/African-Americans-in-the-Human-Sciences-Challenges-and-Opportunities

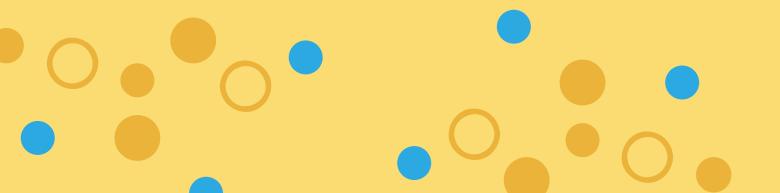


Plan now to attend the AAFCS Conference in Orlando, FL! Check their website for the latest information at https://www.aafcs.org/ac2022/home

Annual Conference is not only the Comeback Meeting
-- it is an enhanced, comprehensive FCS conference
offering robust professional development throughout
3+ days in both hybrid* and in-person options:

- General Sessions;
- FCS Super Sessions;
- FCS educational sessions presented by your fellow
 FCS colleagues and experts in-the-field

Be sure to check the conference agenda for the Coalition business meeting and board meeting dates and times.



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Home Economics
Soaring Toward
Sustainable
Development

September 4-10,2022 Atlanta, GA

This Congress occurs every four years and has not been in the US since 1988! The National Coalition for Black Development in Family & Consumer Sciences will be attending the 2022 IFHE World Congress in Atlanta, GA!

We look forward to another excellent opportunity to network with professionals from around the world. Plan now to attend and be sure to stop by our booth and say hello.

For more information go to: https://www.ifheus.org/world-congress/

Student Travel Scholarship Award!

The Student Travel Scholarship Award of the National Coalition for Black Development in Family and Consumer Sciences offers HBCU students with financial need the opportunity to participate in the American Association of Family & Consumer Sciences Conference (AAFCS). Use the link to access the application:

https://www.ncbdfcs.org/applications.html

Application deadline: May 6, 2022

Toot Your Own Horn!

During our NCBDFCS Virtual Business
Meeting, we want to celebrate you by sharing
the accomplishments you have made during
the 2021-2022 membership year! Please
share and don't be shy! Visit our website to
complete the form:

https://www.ncbdfcs.org/applications.html



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