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

Fall 2019 Newsletter

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.



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Message from the President

Families today are being challenged by the rising cost of raising a family, work demands that create stress, concerns for the safety of children in schools, immigration policies that separate children from their families and the disproportionate incarceration and murder of black males. Additional challenges include the rising cost of health care and prescription drugs at a time when obesity and other chronic illnesses are impacting the African American community. As we reflect on these societal challenges, Family and Consumer Sciences (FCS) professionals are poised to make a



difference in our communities through research, teaching and outreach. As important as the issues mentioned above is food insecurity on college campuses, especially among nontraditional students who comprise close to 75% of the undergraduate student population. These students are challenged by the need to balance their roles as students, single parents, care-givers, and full-time employees responsible for paying for their tuition and living expenses. According to the Hope Center for College, Community and Justice, over 40 percent of college students are food insecure which can negatively affect their academic performance. Although a number of campuses have opened food pantries, many students are not taking advantage of the service due to the social stigma of poverty and food insecurity. As FCS professionals, how can we use our expertise to improve the quality of life of students who may be affected by these numerous challenges? As we approach the holiday season, I challenge each of you to seek solutions in a collaborative manner to this growing dilemma and commit to ending campus hunger.

"I have the audacity to believe that people everywhere can have three meals a day for their bodies, education and culture for the minds and dignity, equality and freedom for their spirits."

-Martin Luther King, Jr.

Valerie L. Giddings, Ph.D. NCBDFCS President



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



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2019 Coalition Banquet









HBCU Scholarship Award

Morgan State University

Legacy Award

Dr. Vivian Fluellen, Retired, Chair of Department of Family and Consumer Sciences, Fort Valley State

University

NCBDFCS Outstanding FCS Professional Award

Dr. Jacqueline Holland, Outgoing President, NCBDFCS



2019 AAFCS Distinguished Service Award

Dr. Valerie L. Giddings received the 2019
Distinguished Service Award (DSA) from the
American Association of Family and Consumer
Sciences (AAFCS). The DSA is the most prestigious
award of the FCS profession and serves as a tribute
to outstanding members for their professional
achievements and sustained leadership. To receive
this award, an individual's nomination must be
endorsed by the AAFCS Board of Directors. The
award was presented during the "Awards Dinner:
Celebrating STARS of AAFCS" on Tuesday, June 25,

2019, in St. Louis, Missouri, during the AAFCS 110th Annual Conference & Expo.

Dr. Giddings is Chairperson of the Department of Family and Consumer Sciences in the College of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences, North Carolina A&T State University (NC A&T) and a 31-year member of AAFCS. Throughout her career, Valerie's peers have commended her as a respected scholar, esteemed leader, and a generous mentor. In more than 35 years of teaching and administrative experience, she's held the positions of interim Associate Dean of Research and Chair of the Department of Family and Consumer Sciences at NC A&T, Associate Vice Chancellor for Lifelong Learning at Winston-Salem State University, and Associate Dean and Extension Specialist in the College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences at Virginia Tech. She's held faculty positions in Clothing & Textiles at Virginia Tech, North Carolina Central University and Hampton University.

She is an active member of her professional associations serving as current president of the National Coalition of Black Development in Family and Consumer Sciences; former chair of the Council for Accreditation of the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences (AAFCS); former chair of the Collegiate Assembly (AAFCS); past president of the Council of Administrators of Family and Consumer Sciences (CAFCS); former chair of the 1890 Council of Administrators of Family and Consumer Sciences; secretary/treasurer of the 1890 Distance Instructional Alliance; chair of the Awards Committee for the North Carolina Association of Family and Consumer Sciences, and former Vice Chair for Programs for the Board on Human Sciences (BoHS). She is a member of Cohort #10 of the Food Systems Leadership Institute (FSLI) and the 2005-2006 Class of NAFEO (National Association for Equal Opportunity in Education) Fellows.

Call for Nominations of NCBDFCS Officers

The National Coalition for Black Development in Family and Consumer Sciences is seeking nominations of members for two positions on the Executive Board with active terms extending from June 2020-2022. The positions open for nominations are:

- Vice-President/Membership Chair
- Secretary

For information on the responsibilities of officers, please refer to the NCBDFCS Handbook: http://www.nbdfcs.org/online/wp-content/uploads/2013/07/official-2013-NCBDFCS-Handbook.pdf

Interested parties may self-nominate or nominate others to become candidates by sending names and contact information to Dr. Cynthia M. Smith, Chair – Nominating Committee (cynthia.smith@aamu.edu).The deadline for nominations is April 1, 2020.



Dine in With FCS!



Family and Consumer Sciences
Day will be here soon and we all
need to make plans to celebrate.
Since 2014, more than 400,000
people have committed to
"Dining In" on Family &
Consumer Sciences (FCS) Day!

Plan now to celebrate FCS Day at your schools and campuses on or during the week of December 3, 2019. The American Association of Family & Consumer Sciences (AAFCS) offers several free resources for celebrating FCS Day available at https://www.aafcs.org/fcsday/fcs-day-resources/dining-in-resources



Call for i3: Inspiration--Innovation--Impact Roundtable Proposals

What is i3: Inspiration-Innovation-Impact?

i3 is a fast-paced session designed to share high impact ideas, outreach efforts, innovative programs and strategies, and/or creative collaborations focused on education, research, mentoring, and entrepreneurship. Get ready to be inspired by your family and consumer sciences colleagues! i3 is a roundtable session, where each session is presented for 25 minutes, while others present at the same time in the same space. Share your research and knowledge with other attendees in a low-pressure environment, conducive to discussion!

The i3 submission system will open later this fall--stay tuned for more information, coming soon.

More information is available at https://www.aafcs.org/ac2020/home

JOB ANNOUNCEMENTS

West Virginia University, Assistant Professor in Child Development and Family Studies

https://wvu.taleo.net/careersection/faculty/jobdetail.ftl?job=12517&tz=GMT-04%3A00&tzname

University of Maryland Extension, Project Coordinator, Rural Opioid Technical Assistance (ROTA) grant College Park, MD - Position Number: 125361

All candidates must apply online at https://ejobs.umd.edu. A complete application packet includes a letter of application, a current resume, unofficial transcript, and three (3) professional references, including name, mailing address, telephone number, and E-mail address.

University of Maryland Extension, Extension Educator, Rural Opioid Technical Assistance (ROTA) grant

Cumberland, MD - Position Number: 125361 Chestertown, MD - Position Number: 125355

All candidates must apply online at https://ejobs.umd.edu. A complete application packet includes a letter of application, a current resume, unofficial transcript, and three (3) professional references, including name, mailing address, telephone number, and E-mail address.

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