

# Historically Black Colleges and Universities Embrace Affordable Access Programs

*Nearly half of nation's HBCUs rely on textbook access programs to help cut costs, improve outcomes for students*

More than 45 HBCUs around the country depend on affordable access programs to help support students' learning needs and make college more affordable. Here are the facts:

- **\$30 Million:** Affordable access programs helped students at participating HBCUs save more than \$30 million<sup>1</sup> on course materials in the 2022-2023 school year.
- **100,000+ Students:** Over 100,000 students<sup>2</sup> at participating HBCUs benefit from access programs, which ensure they have all their required course materials on or before the first day of classes at competitive below-market prices.
- **82%:** A survey<sup>3</sup> of students at HBCU schools offering affordable access programs found 82% of students said access programs helped lower the cost of their course materials, and 85% felt better prepared for the academic term.
- **76%:** The same survey also found more than three-quarters of students agreed the access program helped them achieve better grades.

## Participating HBCU campuses include:

Alabama A&M University

Alabama State University

Alcorn State University

Arkansas Baptist College

Bowie State University

Central State University

Clafin University

Clark Atlanta University

Coahoma Community College

Delaware State University

Dillard University

Edward Waters University

Elizabeth City State University

Fayetteville State University

Florida A&M University

Florida Memorial University

Fort Valley State University

Gadsden State Community College

Grambling State University

Hampton University

Hinds Community College

Jackson State University

Kentucky State University

Langston University

LeMoyne-Owen College

Lincoln University

Morehouse College

Morgan State University

North Carolina A&T State University

Norfolk State University

North Carolina Central University

Oakwood University

Shaw University

Southern University and A&M College

Southern University at New Orleans

Southern University at Shreveport

Tennessee State University

Texas College

Tougaloo College

Tuskegee University

University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff

University of the District of Columbia

University of Maryland Eastern Shore

Virginia State University

Virginia Union University

Winston-Salem State University

Xavier University of Louisiana

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<sup>1</sup> Internal data from [Follett Higher Education](#) and [Barnes & Noble Education](#), covering academic year 2022-2023

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<sup>3</sup> Survey conducted by [Barnes & Noble Education](#) of HBCU students participating in BNED's First Day Complete affordable access program

## HBCUs Offering Affordable Access Programs to Help Lower Costs for Students

