

The 26th Annual “Unity Through Knowledge” HBCU Tour Itinerary

Saturday, March 11, 2023

Each group will check-in with the chaperones **2 hours** prior to their designated group departure time at the **Southwest Airlines Ticket Counter** inside of Harry Reid Airport in Las Vegas, NV.

Please do not try to report to the departure gate or check-in on your own. Students will receive their **(1)** luggage tag(s), **(2)** name badge, **(3)** airline ticket, and **(4)** final travel instructions **(in that order)** after checking in with the chaperones.

- GROUP 1 - Southwest Airlines – Departure at **5:00AM** with a nonstop Arrival at **9:30AM**
- GROUP 2 - Southwest Airlines – Departure at **8:50AM** with a one stop/no plane change in New Orleans with an Arrival at **3:55PM**
- GROUP 3 –Southwest Airlines – Departure at **10:50AM** with a nonstop Arrival at **3:20PM**
- GROUP 4 - Southwest Airlines – Departure at **12:20PM** with a nonstop Arrival at **6:05PM**

GAME TIME TRANSPORTATION (Desoto, Texas * 682-716-9982) will provide service to the **DFW Hyatt Place Hotel** (2350 Global Dr., DFW Airport, TX 75261 * 972-574-1234). A welcome reception (pizza and wings) will be provided by 32nd Street Theater in the hotel ballroom. The males will be residing at the Hyatt Place Dallas Grapevine 2220 W. Grapevine Mills Circle, Grapevine, TX 76051, USA * **T** +1 972 691 1199

Sunday, March 12, 2023 – Dallas, TX & Houston, TX

5:00 AM: Wake-up call. Students may enjoy a FREE optional hot breakfast in the hotel lobby. All students must report to the bus with their luggage by **8:00 AM**.

8:00 AM: Travel to the **Potter’s House Church** (6777 W. Kiest Blvd * Dallas, TX 75236 * 214-331-0954)

9AM: Service begins at the Potter’s House Church

(NEW) Late Lunch/Early Dinner at **Galleria Mall** (13350 Dallas Parkway, Dallas, TX 75240 * 972-702-7100)

5:30 PM: Travel to Houston, Texas (3.5 Hours) and check into the Hyatt Place Houston/Galleria Hotel (2626 Sage Road * Houston, TX 77056 * 713-626-7300) at 9:00PM.

Monday, March 13, 2023 –Houston, TX & Baton Rouge, LA

6:00 AM: Wake-up call. Students may enjoy a FREE optional hot breakfast in the hotel lobby. All students must report to the bus with their luggage by **9:00 AM** for travel to **Texas Southern University**.

10:00 AM: Tour **TEXAS SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY [1947]** (3100 Cleburne St, Houston, TX 77004 * 713-313-7011)

12:00 PM: Students may enjoy an optional lunch (\$6.75) on the campus of Prairie View University.

2:00 PM: Tour **PRAIRIE VIEW UNIVERSITY [1876]** (University Drive * Prairie View, TX 77446 * 936-261-3311)

4:30 PM: Travel to Baton Rouge, Louisiana (5.5 Hours) and check into the Hyatt Place Hotel (6080 Bluebonner Blvd, Baton Rouge, LA 70809 * 225-769-4400) at **11:00PM**.

Tuesday, March 14, 2023 – Baton Rouge, LA, New Orleans, LA & Natchez, MS

5:00 AM: Wake-up call. Students may enjoy a FREE optional breakfast in the hotel lobby. **All students must report to the bus with their luggage by 8:00AM for travel to Louisiana State University (LSU) & Southern University.**

10:00 AM: Tour **SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY [1880]** (J.S. Clark Administration Building * Baton Rouge, LA 70813 * 225-771-4500)

2:00 PM: Tour **DILLARD UNIVERSITY [1869]** (2601Gentilly * New Orleans, LA 70122 * 504-816-4670)

TBD: City Tour of New Orleans including **Tulane University** (6823 St. Charles Avenue * New Orleans, LA 70118).

6:00 PM to 8:00 PM: Dinner and evening free time at **The Riverwalk Outlet** (500 Port of New Orleans * New Orleans, LA * 504-222-1555).

9:00 PM: Travel and check into the **Holiday Inn Downtown Superdome** (333 Loyola Avenue New Orleans, LA * 504-586-0149)

Wednesday, March 15, 2023 – New Orleans, Natchez, MS & Jackson, MS

5:00 AM: Wake-up call. Students may enjoy a FREE optional breakfast in the hotel lobby. All students must report to the bus with their luggage by **8:00AM** for travel to **Xavier University**.

9:00 AM: Tour **XAVIER UNIVERSITY [1925]** (1 Drexel Road * New Orleans, LA 70125 * 504-520-7388)

2:00 PM: Tour **ALCORN STATE UNIVERSITY [1871]** (1000 ASU Drive * Alcorn St, MS 39096 * 601-877-6147)

4:00 PM: Travel to Jackson, MS (80 Miles/1.5 hours)

6:00 PM to 7:30 PM: Dinner and evening free time at the **Northpark Mall** (1200 E. County Line Road * Ridgeland, MS * 39157 * 601-957-3744)

Travel and check into the **Drury Inn & Suites** (610 E. Country Ridgeland, MS * 601-956-1600) at **9:30PM**. A mandatory College Preparatory Workshop will be held in the hotel conference room.

Thursday, March 16, 2023 – Grambling, LA & Dallas, TX

5:00 AM: Wake-up call. Students may enjoy an optional FREE breakfast meal in the hotel lobby. All students must report to the bus with their luggage by 8:00 AM for travel to **Jackson State University**.

9:00 AM: Tour **JACKSON STATE UNIVERSITY [1877]** (1400 John R. Lynch * Jackson, MS 39217 * 601-979-5845/800-848-6817) at **1:30PM**. – Spring Break (112 maximum)/Bookstore/

Travel to Grambling State University

2:00 PM: Tour **GRAMBLING STATE UNIVERSITY [1901]** (403 Main St * Grambling, LA * 71245 * 318-274-6183)

4:30 PM: Dinner and evening free time at the **Pecanland Mall** (4700 Millhaven Road * Suite 2000 * Monroe, LA 71203 * 318-322-4635)

(NEW) 5:30 PM: Travel and check into the **Hyatt Place Dallas North** (5229 Spring Valley Road * Dallas, TX 75254 * 972-716-2001) at **10:0PM**. A mandatory College Preparatory Workshop will be held in the hotel conference room.

Friday, March 17, 2023 – Dallas, TX & Las Vegas, NV

7:00 AM: Wake-up call. Students may enjoy an optional FREE breakfast in the hotel lobby. All students must report to the bus by **10:00AM**. We will conclude our sightseeing in Dallas including Downtown and historic JFK site.

TBD: VIP Tour of the **A&T Stadium (Dallas Cowboys)** with Pastor Kelcey A. West

TBD: Late Lunch/Early Dinner at **North Park Center** (8687 N. Central Parkway * Dallas, TX 75225 * 214-363-7441)

6:30 PM: Arrive at Dallas Love Field Airport (8008 Cedar Springs Road * Dallas, TX 75235 * 214-670-6073)

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The tour concludes with students meeting their parents at baggage claim