

Tuskegee Presidential Search Update for Website

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The search for the 10th president of the University is making good progress and is on schedule to complete its activities this semester as planned. The late fall and early new year were spent recruiting candidates. We have made tremendous progress over the winter screening and evaluating an impressive group of applicants. Initial interviews have also begun, and we are on schedule for a finalist group to visit campus later this spring.

A large number of nominations and inquiries for the position were received and a noteworthy number of very experienced executives expressed formal interest in the opportunity and made application for the position. The Search Committee represents diverse voices and have actively engaged in articulating the preferences and priorities of the University in their interactions with candidates. A multilayered and multidimensional interview, evaluation, and vetting process is underway. This will include background checks, referencing, and psychometric testing, in addition to multiple interview formats.

As interviews and individual conversations with key stakeholders are concluded, a small number of finalists will be invited to interview on campus this spring. The committee will then make a recommendation for which finalist(s) should be considered for the presidency to the Board of Trustees. While the confidentiality of the process is always paramount, its importance is heightened when the interview process starts. We do not want to risk losing great candidates due to breaches of confidentiality. We ask our community to refrain from sharing information about the process that is not shared through official communication channels.