

Dear Fellow Eagles,

I am deeply humbled by the outpouring of love and support from the Executive Committee and all of you as we embark on this journey to lead the North Carolina Central University Alumni Association. Inspired by our founder Dr. James E. Shepard's words to "Begin with the end in mind," we are committed to focusing on exceptional customer service, alumni and student engagement, and unwavering support for our beloved university.

Your kind words, actions, and enthusiastic messages on social media have been truly uplifting. I am sincerely grateful for your encouragement.

With your collective support, we are launching the "All In" membership campaign this month. As we approach our centennial in 2025, we invite you to be "All In" – both nationally and locally – to make this historic milestone a resounding success.

We have accomplished much in our near one-hundred-year history, but there is still work to be done. NCCU, and the aspiring "Eagle" scholars who depend on our financial support and guidance, are the ultimate beneficiaries of our efforts. We are eager to hear your innovative ideas and welcome your expertise. To gather your valuable feedback, we will be conducting an Alumni survey in the coming months. Your participation is crucial to its success.

Over the next 30, 50, and 100 days, the Executive Committee and I will be assessing the alumni association, making strategic committee assignments, and reporting back to you with our progress. We are working tirelessly to usher in a new era of growth and excellence for this esteemed organization.



I call on all alumni – from recent graduates, "Silver Eagles," "Golden Eagles," to our Life members. – to join me in my vision for the association, centered on three key areas:

- Collaborate: Share your ideas, perspectives, and experiences to help us build a stronger alumni community.
- **Engage:** Participate in alumni events, programs, and initiatives, both online and in person.
- **Contribute:** Give back to NCCU through financial support, volunteerism, and mentorship.

Together, we can make North Carolina Central University the institution of choice for students, faculty, staff, community members, and alumni.

I encourage you to reach out with any questions, thoughts, or feedback you may have at president@nccualumni.org. In the coming weeks and months, I will be traveling throughout the regions, both in person and virtually, to connect with you directly.

Thank you for being a part of this extraordinary NCCU Alumni Association community!

Yours in Truth and Service,

Andre D. Vann (c/o '93 & '95) - President

North Carolina Central University Alumni Association

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