



## TOUGALOO COLLEGE NEWS

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### TOUGALOO TO HOST MEET THE BULLDOGS

TOUGALOO, Miss. — Bulldog fans will get their first peek at the 2006-07 men's and women's basketball teams when Tougaloo College hosts its annual "Meet the Bulldogs" event on Thursday, October 5, 2006 at 6 p.m. in the Owens Health and Wellness Center. Along with the basketball teams, the college's other sports programs will be introduced at the event, including men's and women's cross country, men's and women's tennis, men's golf and baseball.

Tougaloo's Office of Student Activities and the Student Government Association will assist the athletic department usher in the new sports season. There will be performances by the Bulldog Cheerleaders and the Tougaloo Dancing Divas. The Bulldogs and Lady Bulldogs will conclude the event with a 15-minute scrimmage.

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*Founded in 1869, Tougaloo College is a private, historically black, coeducational four-year liberal arts institution, located in Madison County, on the northern edge of Jackson, Mississippi. Known nationally as "The Cradle of the Civil Rights Movement in Mississippi," the College is led by its first female and 13<sup>th</sup> president, Dr. Beverly Wade Hogan. Dr. Hogan is a 1973 graduate of the College and a native Mississippian. Under her visionary leadership, the College has increased its enrollment by 12% and boasts a student retention rate of 68%.*

*Tougaloo College ranks among the top 50 U.S. institutions whose graduates earn PhDs in science and engineering disciplines and among the top 15 historically black colleges and universities in the graduation of females with undergraduate degrees in the physical sciences. The College has produced more graduates who have completed their PhD degrees through the UNCF-Mellon Doctoral Fellowship Program than any other institution in the nation.*

*Listed as one of the Best Colleges in the Southeast by Princeton Review (2007 edition) and the only Mississippi institution ranked among the top 20 liberal arts institutions in the nation by The Washington Monthly, 66% of its graduates enter professional and graduate schools immediately after graduation. Tougaloo College is the leading producer of African American health professionals, including over 40% of the physicians and dentists, practicing in the state of Mississippi. Among its graduates are more than one-third of the state's African American attorneys and educators including teachers, principals, school superintendents, college/university faculty and administrators.*