

Presidential Search Update

July 8, 2025

On behalf of the Board of Trustees,

I am pleased to provide an update on the Presidential Search. The Presidential Search Committee is charged with conducting a thorough, inclusive, and transparent process to identify a president who will uphold Tougaloo's mission and values, preparing students for lives of leadership and service.

We recently finished conducting a series of listening sessions with the Board, Administrators, Faculty, Staff, and Alumni. A listening session will be held with the Student Leaders in August during their Student Leadership Retreat and with the student body at the opening of school in September. The Board's overall responsibility is to 1) design an unassailable criterion to attract the next President of Tougaloo College, 2) develop a group of interested and qualified individuals, and 3) deliver outstanding and vetted candidates to the Board of Trustees for their consideration.

A Presidential Website has been created featuring the Presidential Search Committee and a Presidential Search Overview, inviting nominations and applications for a visionary, strategic, and collaborative leader to serve as the institution's 15th president, and communicate updates.

Finally, a confidential survey will be accessible on the Presidential Website to share your feedback on suggested priorities and challenges that the new president should consider.

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