

# State of the PVAMU Northwest Houston Center



Dr. Tyrone Tanner, Executive Director

The PVAMU Northwest Houston Center (NWHC) extends the university's commitment to teaching, research, and service. We are excited about the programs and courses currently being offered from the Colleges of Business, Education, Nursing, and the School of Architecture at the NWHC. Our courses are scheduled with the working professional in mind and are primarily held in the evenings and on Saturdays. As part of the **Executive Director's State of the Northwest Houston 2018 Summary**, we are particularly proud to share highlights of some of our achievements.

In 2019 we will celebrate our tenth year of being a resource for higher education, community engagement, continuing education, and corporate partnerships in the Highway 249 Technology Corridor.

**Innovative research** is a critical component at the NWHC. Executive Director Dr. Tyrone Tanner, and co-principal investigators Drs. Doug Hermond and Max Fontus are leading a National Science Foundation-funded research project aimed at encouraging African-American and Latinx students to pursue STEM careers.

The team is committed to service through its consistent outreach to the greater Northwest Houston communities.

## NWHC Transformative Initiatives: Impacting Students and the Community

- Countless PVAMU community and student events conveniently located at NWHC
- Over 400 families registered for the day-long Back to School event which featured informative sessions on programs offered at NWHC
- Established key partnerships with various chambers and community stakeholders
- Impacting legislation with more than 45,000 voters casting their vote at the NWHC during the primary, mid-term, and bond elections in 2018
- Collaboration with the Texas Workforce Commission offering certification programs at the NWHC



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Our colleagues at the PVAMU main campus recognize our determination to partner in supporting their goals.

**Our team stands ready** with consistent customer service for events hosted at the NWHC, including:

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**College of Education and College of Criminal Justice and Juvenile Psychology**

- Black Identity and Self-Esteem  
Speaker: Dr. William E. Cross, Jr.

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**College of Business**

- Income Tax Seminar  
Speaker: Dr. James Hasselback
- Bitcoin, Cryptocurrencies, and Blockchain Technology Seminar  
Speaker: Dr. Hesam Shahriari
- Fraud and Forensic Accounting Workshop  
Speaker: Dr. Larry Crumbley

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**Office of Research, Innovation and Sponsored Programs/Center for Teaching Excellence**

- Title III Principal Investigator Bootcamp
  - Branding
  - Using Social Media for Research

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**Conferences**

- 29th Annual Conference of the International Information Management Association (IIMA) Day 2
- 5th Annual Conference of the International Conference on Information and Economic Development (ICITED)

**As we move into our tenth year, expect unrelenting growth and development at the NWHC.**

In addition to the collaborations already listed, we will go forward into 2019 by magnifying the impact of PVAMU by providing unwavering teaching, research, and service to the greater Northwest Houston Community.

## BIG PLANS IN 2019

- 10 year NWHC Anniversary Celebration Event
- 2019 State- Wide Community and Family Support Symposium: Focusing on Opportunity gaps impacting African American and Latinx students
- Community Advocacy: Reviewing and challenging policy that impacts diverse learners
- College and Career Readiness: Preparing your child for the future

Multiple workshops and events to bring students and members of the community closer to their goals

## NWHC 2018 CAMPUS-WIDE IMPROVEMENTS

Improved Resource FACILITY	Benefit
Improved security with the installation of indoor and updated outdoor cameras	Safer, smarter, more secure campus environment
Entry and exit doors replaced and/or significantly reinforced	Compliance with ADA and safety requirements

  

LIBRARY	
Expansion of the library with more than \$20,000 in new books	Improved resources for demands of graduate research
New computers, tables, and chairs in the library	Faster computing systems, network compliant, high-speed internet, Wi-Fi with accessibility for more users and guests
Online chat capabilities	Upgraded communication resource
Spring Share Libguides	Improved instruction and resource platform
Kanopy	Enhanced streaming video
Innovative Software	Robust database searching and management tool for improved research capabilities
Sierra System	Advanced circulation management system

  

TECHNOLOGY	
36 new computers in room 213 (Lab)	Faster and network compliant computing systems
New high-speed printer in the library	A convenient resource for students and guests utilizing the library facility
Additional Wi-Fi access points	Faster networking to accommodate more users and guests
Innovation Lab (Room 111)	Supportive of collaborative efforts between individuals and our business community
New Audio/Video projectors in classrooms	Higher quality display for instructors and students. Enables visitors to connect using multiple devices.

  

PERSONNEL	
Manager	Manage operations to improve the efficiency of services
Program Coordinator	Expand programs and marketing of NWHC
Instructional Design personnel	Assist faculty with instructional design and students in the navigation of online learning
2 Graduate Assistants	Provide support to students and guests in the computer lab (Room 116)