PVAMU BECOMES FIRST HBCU TO JOIN GREEN CHEMISTRY COMMITMENT PROGRAM

*The partnership with Beyond Benign will expand the university’s chemistry education to include more sustainable products and processes.*

PRAIRIE VIEW, Texas (January 26, 2021) – “Going Green” now has a different meaning for professors in the Department of Chemistry at Prairie View A&M University (PVAMU).

A new partnership with Beyond Benign, which is supported by Dow, ensures PVAMU is prepared to spread green chemistry knowledge to more students while showcasing the university’s existing sustainable chemistry-based research.

Assistant Professor Andrea Ashely-Oyewole, Ph.D., who is leading the effort, said, “Becoming official partners with Beyond Benign helps us as a department to broadcast that we believe in and promote multidisciplinary areas of study.”

Other universities that have signed on to the program include Michigan State, University of California – Berkeley, University of California – Santa Barbara, and the University of Minnesota.

Read more about PVAMU’s involvement in the Green Chemistry Commitment Program [here](#).

About Prairie View A&M University: Designated an institution of “the first class” in the Texas Constitution, Prairie View A&M University is the second-oldest public institution of higher education in the state. With an established reputation for producing engineers, nurses, and educators, PVAMU offers baccalaureate degrees, master’s degrees, and doctoral degree programs through nine colleges and schools. A member of The Texas A&M University System, the university is dedicated to fulfilling its land-grant mission of achieving excellence in teaching, research, and service. For more information regarding PVAMU, visit [www.pvamu.edu](http://www.pvamu.edu).

MEDIA CONTACTS

Candace Johnson  
Executive Director of Marketing and Communications  
936-261-1566 • cajohnson@pvamu.edu

Michael Douglas  
Communications Specialist III  
936-261-2149  
mwdouglas@pvamu.edu

The Office of Marketing and Communications • 936-261-1560 • www.pvamu.edu/marcomm