



## PVAMU HIGHLIGHTS HISTORICAL LEGACY AND ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

*Prairie View A&M University's Founders' Day and Honors Recognition Convocation celebrates founding of the University and outstanding scholarly achievements.*

**PRAIRIE VIEW, Texas** (March 8, 2024) – Prairie View A&M University will present its [Founders' Day and Honors Recognition Convocation](#) on March 20, 2024. It's a time for faculty, staff, students, and guests to commemorate the established legacy of its founders and recognize the exemplary achievements of its honors students.

LaTonya M. Goffney, superintendent of the [Aldine Independent School District](#), whose distinguished career as an educator exemplifies academic excellence, will serve as the event's keynote speaker.

More than 5,500 students will be recognized for their academic achievement in 2023. Students on the Dean's Honors list earned a 3.0-3.49 GPA, while those who earned a 3.5-4.0 GPA are named to the University Honor Roll list.

Dr. Michael L. McFrazier, Interim Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs, says the occasion is also an opportunity to reflect with reverence on the memory of the first eight students enrolled at the University. "We must not forget the Unknown 8 who exemplified courage under fire to chart a new path for all of us to follow. With their brave actions, our today is possible, and we can receive an education that promotes change agents."

To learn more about the Founders' Day and Honors Recognition Convocation or to speak with a member of Prairie View A&M's esteemed faculty ahead of the event, email Liz Faublas-Wallace, Communications Specialist, at [lswallace@pvamu.edu](mailto:lswallace@pvamu.edu).

**Event:** Founders' Day and Honors Recognition Convocation  
**Date:** Wednesday, March 20, 2024  
**Time:** 10 a.m.  
**Place:** William "Billy" J. Nicks, Sr. Building (Baby Dome)  
945 OJ Thomas St., Prairie View, TX 77484  
**Website:** [www.pvamu.edu/honorsconvocation](http://www.pvamu.edu/honorsconvocation)

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**PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY**, founded in 1876, is the second oldest public institution of higher education in the state of Texas and the third largest Historically Black College/University (HBCU) in the nation. Designated as an "institution of the first class" in the Texas Constitution, the enrollment exceeds 9,000 students and over 80,000 graduates. PVAMU offers academic programs through its ten colleges and schools, boasting degree options leading to bachelor's and doctoral-level degrees. A Carnegie-classified high-research (R2) University and a member of The Texas A&M University System, PVAMU is dedicated to fulfilling its land-grant mission of achieving excellence in teaching, research, and service. For more information, visit [www.pvamu.edu](http://www.pvamu.edu).

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