

# 2022 FOOTBALL GAME NOTES SEPT.10 WWW.SWAC.ORG

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# **2022 SWAC STANDINGS**

East Division	Conf.	Overall	Streak
Jackson State	1-0	1-0	W1
Alabama State	0-0	2-0	W2
Bethune-Cookman	0-0	0-1	L1
Miss. Valley State	0-0	0-1	L1
Alabama A&M	0-0	0-1	L1
Florida A&M	0-1	0-2	L2
West Division			
Prairie View A&M	1-0	1-0	W1
Southern	0-0	1-0	W1
Arkansas-Pine Bluff	0-0	1-0	W1
Alcorn State	0-0	0-1	L1
<b>Grambling State</b>	0-0	0-1	L1
Texas Southern	0-1	0-1	L1

# **2022 SWAC QUICKFACTS**

#### **Southwestern Athletic Conference**

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#### League History

In 1920, eight men representing six colleges from the state of Texas met to discuss collegiate athletics and the many challenges that faced their respective institutions. By the time the session in Houston had concluded, they had founded an athletic league that has slowly became one of the leading sports associations in the world of collegiate athletics, the Southwestern Athletic Conference.

The founding fathers of the original "Super Six" were C.H. Fuller of Bishop College, Red Randolph and C.H. Patterson of Paul Quinn, E.G. Evans, H.J. Evans and H.J. Starns of Prairie View A&M, D.C. Fuller of Texas College and G. Whitte Jordan of Wiley College.

The SWAC is considered one of the premier HBCU conferences in the country and currently ranks among the elite in the nation in terms of HBCU alumni playing with professional sports teams.

The league continues to set the bar for college football attendance leading all Football Championship Subdivision (FCS) conferences for 44 of the past 45 seasons as of 2021.

# **SWAC OPENING KICKOFF**

- Shedeur Sanders was named the FedEx Ground FCS Player of the Week for his outstanding performance versus Florida A&M at the Orange Blossom Classic this past week.
- Two conference games were scheduled last week with Jackson State defeating Florida A&M 59-3 at the Orange Blossom Classic and Prairie View A&M defeating Texas Southern 40-23 at the Labor Day Classic.
- Shedeur Sanders completed 29-of-33 pass attempts for 323 yards while throwing a career high five touchdown passes with only four incompletions during JSU's season opener. He completed his first 17 pass attempts of the game (career-high). He was tabbed SWAC Offensive Player of the Week for his efforts.
- Grambling State's Lewis Matthew was named SWAC Defensive Player of the Week after racking up 14 tackles (12 solo) at Arkansas State.
- The 2022 Cricket SWAC Football Championship will be carried live on ESPN on Saturday, December 3 at 3:00 pm CST.
- A total of 11 of 12 games scheduled for this week will be broadcast.

# **UPCOMING GAMES**

Saturday, September 10

Mississippi Valley State at Austin Peay – 3:00 pm (ESPN+)

South Carolina State at Bethune-Cookman – 3:00 pm (ESPN+)

Alabama State at UCLA – 4:00 pm (PAC-12 Network)

Albany State at Florida A&M – 5:00 pm (HBCU GO)

Alabama A&M at Troy – 6:00 pm (ESPN3)

Alcorn State at Tulane – 6:00 pm (ESPN+)

Jackson State vs. Tennessee State – 6:00 pm

Grambling State at Northwestern State – 6:00 pm (ESPN+)

North American at Arkansas-Pine Bluff – 6:00 pm (UAPB Sports Network)

Southern at LSU – 6:30 pm (SEC Network)

Texas Southern at North Texas – 6:30 pm (ESPN3)

Prairie View A&M at Abilene Christian – 7:00 pm (ESPN+)

All times listed are Central Standard Time (CST)

#### **SWAC News and Notes**

### Weekly Head Coaches Availability

The league will conduct media sessions this upcoming season via Zoom, please see weekly schedule listed below. Please email a.roberts@swac.org for more information.

#### 2022 SWAC Football Media Session Dates

Sept. 5 • Sept. 12 • Sept. 19 • Sept. 26 • Oct. 3 • Oct. 10 • Oct. 17 • Oct. 24 • Oct. 31 • Nov. 7 • Nov. 14 • Nov. 21

#### **SWAC Football Media Session Schedule**

10:00 a.m. - 10:05 a.m. SWAC Football Updates

10:05 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. Connell Maynor- Alabama A&M

10:15 a.m. - 10:25 a.m. Eddie Robinson Jr.- Alabama State

10:25 a.m. - 10:35 a.m. Fred McNair- Alcorn State

10:35 a.m. - 10:45 a.m. Terry Sims- Bethune-Cookman

10:45 a.m. - 10:55 a.m. Willie Simmons- Florida A&M

10:55 a.m. - 11:05 a.m. Hue Jackson- Grambling State

11:05 a.m. - 11:15 a.m. Doc Gamble- Arkansas-Pine Bluff

11:15 a.m. - 11:25 a.m. Vincent Dancy- Mississippi Valley State

11:25 a.m. - 11:35 a.m. Bubba McDowell- Prairie View A&M

11:35 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. Eric Dooley- Southern

11:45 a.m. - 11:55 a.m. Clarence McKinney- Texas Southern

11:55 a.m. - 12:05 p.m. Deion Sanders- Jackson State

### 2022 SWAC Preseason Teams and Predicted Order of Finish

The Southwestern Athletic Conference announced its 2022 Preseason All-SWAC Football selections and Predicted Order of Finish on Thursday during SWAC Football Media Day at the Sheraton Hotel in Downtown Birmingham. The Preseason All-SWAC teams, Individual Winners, and Predicted Order of Finish was voted on by the league's head coaches and sports information directors.

Jackson State's Shedeur Sanders was named Preseason Offensive Player of the Year while Florida A&M's Isaiah Land was tabbed Preseason Defensive Player of the Year.

Jackson State's Sanders had a stellar debut season for the Tigers as he was named the Stats Perform FCS Jerry Rice Award recipient. At the conclusion of regular season play, he led the SWAC with a 68.7 completion percentage while passing for 2971 yards (2<sup>nd</sup> in SWAC), 28 touchdowns (2<sup>nd</sup> in SWAC), and only five interceptions. Sanders averaged 270.1 passing yards (2<sup>nd</sup> in SWAC) per game while leading the Tigers to an undefeated 8-0 record in league play and their first SWAC Championship appearance since 2013.

Florida A&M's Land was one of the top players in the nation this past season as he was named the Stats Perform FCS Buck Buchanan Award recipient. At the conclusion of regular season play, he led the nation with 25.5 tackles for loss and 19 sacks. Land also added three forced fumbles, two pass breakups, and one fumble recovery. Land was named SWAC Defensive Player of the Week after setting a Rattlers' record of five sacks versus South Carolina State. He recorded a sack or tackles for loss in ten of the 11 games this season and recorded two or more sacks in five games and did the same for tackles for loss in six games.

The league's 2022 Predicted Order of Finish was also announced as Jackson State (116) was selected to finish in first place in the SWAC Eastern Division. Florida A&M (108), Alabama A&M (87), Alabama State (60), Bethune-Cookman (56), and Mississippi Valley State (35) round out the East Division Preseason Poll rankings.

Southern (111) was tabbed to finish in first place in the SWAC Western Division. Alcorn State (110), Prairie View A&M (82), Grambling State (77), Arkansas-Pine Bluff (42), and Texas Southern (40) round out the West Division Preseason Poll rankings.

#### 2022 SWAC Football Predicted Order of Finish

### **SWAC East**

- 1. Jackson State- 116 points (12)
- 2. Florida A&M- 108 points (7)
- 3. Alabama A&M- 87 points (2)
- 4. Alabama State- 60 points (1)
- 5. Bethune-Cookman- 56 points
- 6. Mississippi Valley State- 35 points

### **SWAC West**

- 1. Southern- 111 points (11)
- 2. Alcorn State- 110 points (5)
- 3. Prairie View A&M- 82 points (5)
- 4. Grambling State- 77 points (1)
- 5. Arkansas-Pine Bluff- 42 points
- 6. Texas Southern- 40 points

### Preseason Offensive Player of the Year

Shedeur Sanders, Jackson State

### Preseason Defensive Player of the Year

Isaiah Land, Florida A&M

### 2022 Preseason All-SWAC Football First Team Offense

Position	Name	School
QB	Shedeur Sander	Jackson State
RB	Gary Quarles	Alabama A&M
RB	Caleb Johnson	Mississippi Valley State
OL	Dallas Black	Southern
OL	Mark Evans II	Arkansas-Pine Bluff
OL	Drake Centers	Texas Southern
OL	Tony Gray	Jackson State
OL	Robert Alston	Alabama State
WR	Abdul-Fatai Ibrahim	Alabama A&M
WR	Xavier Smith	Florida A&M
TE	Kemari Averett	Bethune-Cookman



<sup>\*</sup>First place votes listed in parenthesis ( )

### 2022 Preseason All-SWAC Football First Team Defense

Position	Name	School
DL	Sundiata Anderson	Grambling State
DL	Ronnie Thomas	Mississippi Valley State
DL	Jason Dumas	Southern
DL	Jordan Lewis	Southern
LB	Isaiah Land	Florida A&M
LB	Aubrey Miller Jr.	Jackson State
LB	Monroe Beard III	Arkansas-Pine Bluff
DB	Omari Hill-Robinson	Bethune-Cookman
DB	Irshaad Davis	Alabama State
DB	Shilo Sanders	Jackson State
DB	BJ Bohler	Florida A&M

# 2022 Preseason All-SWAC Football First Team Specialist

Position	Name	School
K	Jose Romo-Martinez	Florida A&M
Р	Josh Sanchez	Arkansas-Pine Bluff
LS	Thomas Reny	Arkansas-Pine Bluff
LS	Isaiah Bolden	Jackson State

## 2022 Preseason All-SWAC Football Second Team Offense

Position	Name	School
QB	Andrew Body	Texas Southern
RB	Niko Duffey	Alcorn State
RB	Jaden Stewart	Prairie View A&M
OL	Jeremiah Stafford	Southern
OL	Brian Williams	Southern
OL	Cameron Covin	Florida A&M
OL	Carson Vinson	Alabama A&M
OL	Arrington Taylor	Prairie View A&M
WR	C.J. Bolar	Alcorn State
WR	Malachi Wideman	Jackson State
TE	Jyrin Johnson	Texas Southern



### 2022 Preseason All-SWAC Football Second Team Defense

Position	Name	School
DL	Jalen Bell	Mississippi Valley State
DL	Troy James	Prairie View A&M
DL	Devonta Davis	Jackson State
DL	Athen Smith	Arkansas-Pine Bluff
LB	Tarik Cooper	Texas Southern
LB	Claudin Cherelus	Alcorn State
LB	Blake Thomas	Grambling State
DB	Cam'Ron Silman-Craig	Jackson State
DB	Quincy Mitchell	Grambling State
DB	Caleb Brunson	Mississippi Valley State
DB	Javan Morgan	Florida A&M

# 2022 Preseason All-SWAC Football Second Team Specialist

Position	Name	School
K	Garrett Urban	Grambling State
Р	Garrett Urban	Grambling State
LS	Desmond Calloway	Prairie View A&M
RS	Darnell Deas	Bethune-Cookman

<sup>\*</sup>Student-athletes that were selected to the 2022 All-SWAC Team at the conclusion of the season retained their respective spots on the team, open positions were filled with the next highest vote recipient and in any instances where that was not possible those positions were voted upon.



## 2022 SWAC Football ESPN Schedule

Date	Game	Watch
Aug. 27	Alabama State vs. Howard	ESPN
Sept. 3	Miles at Alabama State	ESPN+
Sept. 3	Texas Southern at Prairie View A&M	ESPN+
Sept. 4	Florida A&M vs. Jackson State	ESPN2
Sept. 10	South Carolina State at Bethune-Cookman	ESPN+
Sept. 17	Grambling State at Jackson State	*ESPN3
Sept. 17	Incarnate Word at Prairie View A&M	ESPN+
Sept. 24	Alabama A&M at Florida A&M	ESPN+
Sept. 24	Grambling State at Bethune-Cookman	ESPN+
Sept. 24	Mississippi Valley State at Jackson State	ESPN+
Oct. 1	Arkansas-Pine Bluff at Southern	ESPN+
Oct. 8	Jackson State at Alabama State	*ESPN3
Oct. 8	Alcorn State at Mississippi Valley State	ESPN+
Oct. 8	Southern at Prairie View A&M	ESPN+
Oct. 15	Alcorn State at Southern	ESPN+
Oct. 15	Jackson State vs. Bethune-Cookman	ESPN+
Oct. 22	Campbell at Jackson State	ESPN+
Oct. 22	Texas Southern at Alcorn State	ESPN+
Oct. 29	Alabama A&M at Alabama State	ESPN
Oct. 29	Alcorn State at Grambling State	ESPN+
Oct. 29	Southern at Jackson State	ESPN+
Nov. 3	Alabama A&M vs. Mississippi Valley State	ESPNU
Nov. 4	Alcorn State at Prairie View A&M	ESPNU
Nov. 5	Southern at Florida A&M	*ESPN3
Nov. 5	Jackson State at Texas Southern	ESPN+
Nov. 5	Arkansas-Pine Bluff at Grambling State	ESPN+
Nov. 12	Alabama A&M vs. Jackson State	ESPN+
Nov. 12	Grambling State at Texas Southern	ESPN+
Nov. 12	Mississippi Valley State at Southern	ESPN+
Nov. 19	Jackson State at Alcorn State	ESPN+
Nov. 19	Bethune-Cookman vs. Florida A&M	*ESPN3
Nov. 24	Arkansas-Pine Bluff at Alabama State	ESPN+
Dec. 3	Cricket SWAC Football Championship	ESPN2

<sup>\*</sup>Denotes game will also be shown tape-delayed on ESPNU



#### 2022 SWAC Football Set to be Featured on HBCU GO

Byron Allen's Allen Media Group (AMG) free-streaming digital platform, HBCU GO -- the leading media provider for the nation's 107 Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) – proudly announces nationwide clearance for their 2022-23 sports season as part of the new carriage deal with CBS owned-and-operated duopoly stations.

Key television markets include: New York, Los Angeles, Philadelphia, Dallas, Atlanta, San Francisco, Boston, Seattle, Tampa, Detroit, Miami, and Pittsburgh. HBCU GO will kick off the fall sports season on September 3rd with a star-studded pre-season show featuring the nation's top Gridiron NFL and Black College Hall of Famers and HBCU alums. With this new carriage deal, HBCU GO is currently in 60 percent of U.S. television households and 70 percent of African-American households.

This news comes on the heels of HBCU GO's recent announcement of the distribution partnership with the Southwestern Athletic Conference (SWAC) that grants HBCU GO cable, linear, streaming, broadcast, VOD, and pay-per-view rights to premier NCAA Division I HBCU sporting events.

In addition to the newly announced CBS owned-and-operated duopoly station clearances, HBCU GO has secured distribution with group-owned television stations including Nexstar, Gray, Cox, Scripps, Tegna, Sinclair, Lockwood, Allen Media Broadcasting, Hearst, Circle City Broadcasting, McKinnon Broadcasting, Cowles, Graham, Block, Sun Broadcasting, Tougaloo College, Sagamore Hill, and Marquee. HBCU GO programming is available on HBCUGO.TV, Roku, Amazon Fire TV, and Apple TV. Viewers can also access programming by downloading the HBCU GO App.

"Allen Media Group is thrilled that the CBS O&O stations have joined our excellent group of broadcast television station partners to increase the reach of HBCU GO's high-quality sports programming," said Byron Allen, Founder/Chairman/CEO of Allen Media Group. "We are proud to amplify these amazing athletes and HBCUs, while at the same time helping to finance the education of these young adults. Now sports fans across the country will have access to best-in-class games from America's HBCUs."

"We are honored to work with our partners at Allen Media Group to bring live broadcasts of HBCU football games to our audiences in 12 major markets," said Wendy McMahon, President and Co-Head, CBS News and Stations. "As a Louisiana native and football fan, I am personally and professionally proud to play a role in having our stations shine a light on Historically Black Colleges and Universities and the student athletes who are living out their dreams both on the field and in the classroom."

#### 2022 SWAC HBCU GO Schedule

Date	Game	Watch
Sept. 10	Albany State at Florida A&M	HBCU GO
Sept. 17	Southern vs. Texas Southern	HBCU GO
Sept. 24	Arkansas-Pine Bluff at Alcorn State	HBCU GO
Oct. 1	Grambling State vs. Prairie View A&M	HBCU GO
Oct. 8	Grambling State vs. Alabama A&M	HBCU GO
Oct. 15	Florida A&M at Grambling State	HBCU GO
Oct. 22	Bethune-Cookman at Mississippi Valley State	HBCU GO
Oct. 29	Arkansas-Pine Bluff at Florida A&M	HBCU GO
Nov. 5	Alabama State at Bethune-Cookman	HBCU GO
Nov. 12	Bethune-Cookman at Alcorn State	HBCU GO
Nov. 19	Texas Southern at Alabama A&M	HBCU GO



## **SWAC Players of the Week**

## Monday, Sept. 5

Shedeur Sanders– Jackson State Offense Lewis Matthews– Grambling State, Defense Maurice Lloyd– Arkansas-Pine Bluff, Specialist Jarveon Howard– Alcorn State, Newcomer

## **SWAC Week-by-Week Results**

### Week Zero

**Saturday, Aug. 27** Alabama State 23, Howard 13

### Week One

### Thursday, Sept. 1

UAB 59, Alabama A&M 0 Tarleton State 29, Mississippi Valley State 13

## Saturday, Sept. 3

Miami 70, Bethune-Cookman 13 Alabama State 21, Miles 13 Stephen F. Austin 31, Alcorn State 27 Prairie View A&M 40, Texas Southern 23 Southern 86, Florida Memorial 0 Arkansas-Pine Bluff 48, Lane 42 Arkansas State 58, Grambling State 3

### Sunday, Sept. 4

Jackson State 59, Florida A&M 3



## All-Time SWAC Football Champions

Year	Regular Season Champion(s)	Postseason Champion
1921	Wiley College	N/A
1922	Paul Quinn College	N/A
1923	Wiley College	N/A
1924	Paul Quinn College	N/A
1925	Bishop College	N/A
1926	Sam Houston State	N/A
1927	Wiley College	N/A
1928	Wiley College	N/A
1929	Wiley College	N/A
1930	Wiley College	N/A
1931	Prairie View A&M	N/A
1932	Wiley College	N/A
1933	Langston College/Prairie View A&M	N/A
1934	Texas College	N/A
1935	Texas College	N/A
1936	Texas College/Langston College	N/A
1937	Southern/Langston College	N/A
1938	Southern/Langston College	N/A
1939	Langston College	N/A
1940	Southern/Langston College	N/A
1941	N/A	N/A
1942	Texas College	N/A
1943	N/A	N/A
1944	Wiley College/Texas College/Langston College	N/A
1945	Wiley College	N/A
1946	Southern	N/A
1947	Southern	N/A
1948	Southern	N/A
1949	Southern/Langston College	N/A
1950	Southern	N/A
1951	Prairie View A&M	N/A
1952	Prairie View A&M	N/A
1953	Prairie View A&M	N/A
1954	Prairie View A&M	N/A
1955	Southern	N/A
1956	Texas Southern/Langston College	N/A
1957	Wiley College	N/A
1957	Prairie View A&M	N/A
1950	Southern	N/A N/A
1960	Southern/Prairie View A&M/Grambling State	N/A N/A
1960	Jackson State	N/A N/A
1961	Jackson State	N/A N/A
1962	Prairie View A&M	N/A N/A
1963	Prairie View A&M	N/A N/A
1964		N/A N/A
	Grambling State	
1966	Grambling State/Southern/Texas Southern/UAPB	N/A
1967	Grambling State	N/A
1968	Alcorn State/Grambling State/Texas Southern	N/A
1969	Alcorn State	N/A
1970	Alcorn State	N/A



# **All-Time SWAC Football Champions**

1971	Grambling State/Jackson State	N/A
1971		N/A
1972	Grambling State/Jackson State	N/A
1973	Grambling State/Jackson State Grambling State/Alcorn State	N/A
1974		N/A
	Grambling State/Southern	
1976	Alcorn State	N/A
1977	Grambling State	N/A
1978	Grambling State	N/A
1979	Grambling State/Alcorn State	N/A
1980	Grambling State/Jackson State	N/A
1981	Jackson State	N/A
1982	Jackson State	N/A
1983	Grambling State	N/A
1984	Alcorn State	N/A
1985	Jackson State/Grambling State	N/A
1986	Jackson State	N/A
1987	Jackson State	N/A
1988	Jackson State	N/A
1989	Jackson State	N/A
1990	Jackson State	N/A
1991	Alabama State	N/A
1992	Alcorn State	N/A
1993	Southern	N/A
1994	Alcorn State/Grambling State	N/A
1995	Jackson State	N/A
1996	Jackson State	N/A
1997	Southern	N/A
1998	Southern	N/A
1999 *	Jackson State (East); Southern (West)	Southern
2000 *	Alabama A&M (East); Grambling State (West)	Grambling State
2001 *	Alabama State (East); Grambling State (West)	Grambling State
2002 *	Alabama A&M (East); Grambling State (West)	Grambling State
2003 *	Alabama State (East); Southern (West)	Southern
2004 *	Alabama State (East); Southern (West)	Alabama State
2005 *	Alabama A&M (East); Grambling State (West)	Grambling State
2006 *	Alabama A&M (East); UAPB (West)	Alabama A&M
2007 *	Jackson State (East); Grambling State (West)	Jackson State
2008 *	Jackson State (East); Grambling State (West)	Grambling State
2009 *	Alabama A&M (East); Prairie View A&M (West)	Prairie View A&M
2010 *	Alabama State (East); Texas Southern (Vacated) (West)	N/A (Vacated)
2011 *	Alabama A&M (East); Grambling State (West)	Grambling State
2012 *	Jackson State (East); UAPB (West)	UAPB
2013 *	Jackson State (East); Southern (West)	Southern
2014 *	Alcorn State (East); Southern (West)	Alcorn State
2015 *	Alcorn State (East); Grambling State (West)	Alcorn State
2016 *	Alcorn State (East); Grambling State (West)	Grambling State
2017 *	Alcorn State (East); Grambling State (West)	Grambling State
2018 *	Alcorn State (East); Southern (West)	Alcorn State
2019 *	Alcorn State (East); Southern (West)	Alcorn State
2021*	Alcorn State (East); Southern (West)	Alcorn State
2022*	Jackson State (East); Prairie View A&M (West)	Jackson State

Note: \* Indicates in 1999, SWAC began awarding divisional titlists for the regular season



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