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HBCUs have long-been a cornerstone of the Black community. With the majority of them being founded a few years after the passing of the Emancipation Proclamation, they represent the desire that the Black community has for collective advancement through education.

This is one of the main reasons TADOHE wanted to utilize our platform to spotlight our Texas HBCUs and their accomplishments over the years. It is so important to value and celebrate these spaces because they foster the diversity and inclusion that TADOHE and our national association, NADOHE, were created to support.

About Jarvis

Founded in 1912, Jarvis Christian College is a private, liberal arts, historically black institution of higher learning, affiliated with the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), located in Hawkins, TX. The College began as Jarvis Christian Institute, modeled after the Southern Christian Institute of Edwards, Mississippi. At the forefront of this endeavor were the Negro Disciples of Christ in Texas, the Christian Woman's Board of Mission, Mrs. Ida Van Zandt and her husband Major James Jones Jarvis. Major and Mrs. Jones donated 456 acres of land to build the Institute, the purpose of which was to provide a venue for black youth to receive an education. The Institute evolved into a College, now offering academic programs in Education, Arts and Science and Professional Studies; and it has continued in its efforts to educate the head, heart and hand, not only of black youths, but for all who desire to attend. Noteworthy is the fact that the student population is currently more diverse, with 20% being of non-African American descent.



Since its founding, Jarvis Christian College has continued to develop and refine itself as an institution. Below are some highlights about how Jarvis Christian College is continuing to grow and exciting news about upcoming projects.

Jarvis Highlights

- Celebrating 110 years of existence, the College is hosting its Founders/Homecoming activities March 13 – 20, 2022. Major events are inclusive of the JN Ervin Convocation, with the Reverend Alvin O. Jackson as the speaker and the signature event, the Pioneer Hall of Fame and Preeminence Awards Gala, with entertainment by Jeffrey Osborne and the Dazz Band.
- The new Jarvis Christian College Student and Community Center plans include an auditorium to seat 600, a business conference and hotel center, food court, computer labs, bowling alley and more to enhance town and gown relationship.
- Jarvis has plans to construct Soccer/Track and Field Complex.
- Jarvis has been approved by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools to offer two new master's degrees: MBA and Master in Criminal Justice. These are the FIRST graduate degrees for Jarvis.
- New graduate degree programs offer Jarvis the opportunity to move from a college to a university, with the possibility for name change, pending Board approval.
- Jarvis will hold three new Master Classes in 2022: E-Sports management, Entertainment and Cybersecurity.
- Jarvis connected with Danubius University in Galati, Romania, to build student/faculty exchange. Four Jarvis students will study this summer (2022) in Romania due to anonymous donor providing airfare, tuition, etc.
- The College has the following programs:
 - **Adult and Continuing Education Program**
 - **Hawkins Campus**
 - **Dallas Teaching Site (recently opened at a new location)**
 - **Summer Science STEM Program**
 - **Early Start Summer Program**
 - **Summer Enrichment Program**
 - **Entrepreneur Program**
 - **Jarvis OnlineWorkforce Development Initiative**

An institution is only as good as those who lead it. Pictured below, are members of Jarvis's administration. We would be remiss if we did not take space to show our appreciation and shine the spotlight on all of the Jarvis Christian College faculty and staff. They are a huge part of what makes Jarvis so wonderful.

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