

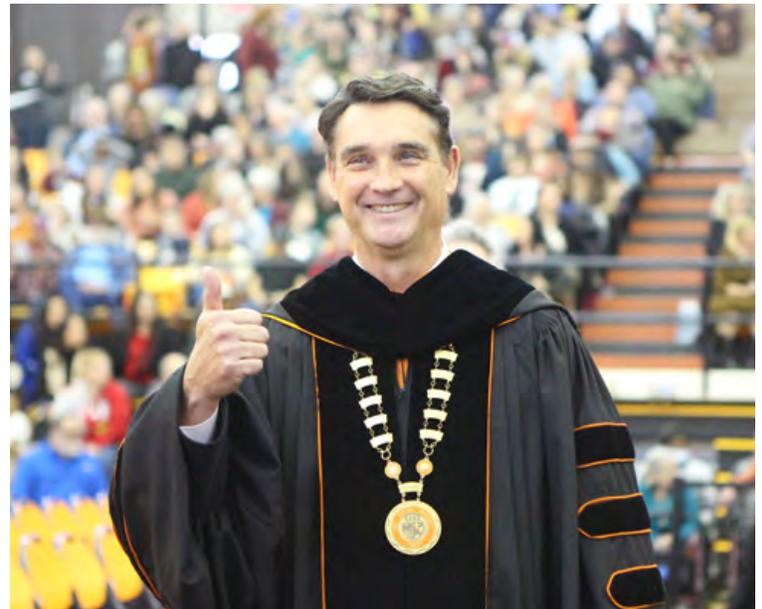
February 2023



# East Central University Campus Updates



**Oklahoma Representative Ronny Johns** (second from left) and RUSO Regent **Connie Reilly** (center) join ECU officials at the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education tour in January.



**ECU President Wendell Godwin** is all smiles at his first commencement ceremonies as president. More than 300 Tigers walked across the stage in December 2022.



**ECU Tigers** for the win at the Fun Town RV Heritage Bowl in Corsicana, Texas, capping off the season with a 9-3 record.



### Chickasaw Appreciation Night

Hundreds of basketball fans “Packed the Dome” for Chickasaw Appreciation Night and to watch the ECU Tigers take on Southeastern Oklahoma State University.



## Upcoming Events

### Monday, Feb. 6

11 a.m. .... Paws & Relax  
Linscheid Library

7 p.m. .... Greek Recruitment:  
Vision Board/Craft Night  
ZTA Lounge

### Wednesday, Feb. 8

8 a.m. .... Growth Mindset Escape Room  
Linscheid Library

### Thursday, Feb. 9

8 a.m. .... East Central Oklahoma Regional  
Science & Engineering Fair  
CBCC

10 a.m. .... Blood Drive  
Regent's Room

### Friday, Feb. 10

7 p.m. .... ECU Athletic Hall of Fame  
CBCC

### Tuesday, Feb. 14

3:30 p.m. .... Recruiting Tigers to Teach  
Lanoy Education Building, room 201

4 p.m. .... Stickball  
McBride Gym

5:15 p.m. .... Paws & Relax  
Linscheid Library

### Wednesday, Feb. 15

7 p.m. .... Greek Recruitment:  
Tie Dye Night  
ZTA Lounge

### Thursday, Feb. 16

7 p.m. .... Valentine's Penny Prom  
Stanley P. Wagner Ballroom

### Friday, Feb. 17

6 p.m. .... Talent Show  
Ataloo Theatre

### Monday, Feb. 20

6 p.m. .... Black Alumni Association  
Presents: Dr. Mautra Jones  
CBCC

### Wednesday, Feb. 22

1 p.m. .... Paws & Relax  
Linscheid Library

### Thursday, Feb. 23

4 p.m. .... Destiny Green  
Gallery Talk & Reception  
Pogue Art Gallery

7:30 p.m. .... Aquila Theatre Presents  
Pride and Prejudice  
Ataloo Theatre

*Please note that all fall athletic dates can be found on page 5.*

*For complete list of events, see the ECU Calendar at [ecok.edu/calendar](http://ecok.edu/calendar)*

Apply to ECU by Monday, Feb. 6th



**FRESHMEN SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINE EXTENDED**



[www.ecok.edu/freshman-scholarships](http://www.ecok.edu/freshman-scholarships)

With the assistance of the Oklahoma Arts Council and the National Endowment for the Arts, East Central University Proudly Presents:

**AQUILA THEATRE** *Pride and Prejudice*  
Jane Austen



NATIONAL ENDOWMENT for the ARTS  
ARTS.gov

ARTS COUNCIL OF OKLAHOMA

February 23rd  
7:30pm  
Ataloo Theatre

General Admission - \$20  
ECU Faculty & Staff - \$10  
ECU Students - Free



Scan the QR code to purchase tickets, or visit our Box Office page at [www.ecok.edu/hbfac-box-office](http://www.ecok.edu/hbfac-box-office)

*East Central University*  
**ATHLETICS HALL OF FAME INDUCTION**

Inductees:  
Distinguished Service- Gerald Williamson  
Coach/Administrator- Skip Griesse  
Distinguished Alumni- John O'Dell  
Student-Athlete Softball- Emily Kennemer  
2011 GAC Men's Cross Country Team

**FEBRUARY 10, 2023**

We would be honored to have you in attendance for this event.  
Tickets: \$25 each or Table for eight: \$150  
Social hour: 5-6 PM  
Dinner: 6 PM  
Program begins: 6:30 PM

Register online at:  
<https://www.ecok.edu/event/ecu-athletic-hall-fame-banquet>



Join us for **Junior Day**  
Wednesday, March 1



9:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.  
Check-in begins at 8:00 a.m.  
in HBRB/C Lockerman Lobby



Junior Day at ECU is scheduled for Wednesday, March 1 from 9 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Hundreds of high school juniors will flock to ECU for a glimpse into life as an ECU Tiger. For more information or to RSVP, visit [ecok.edu/juniorday](http://ecok.edu/juniorday).



# Alumni



## Black Alumni Association presents program for Black History Month

ADA – In celebration of Black History Month, the East Central University Black Alumni Association is proud to present Dr. Mautra Staley Jones, the first woman and the first person of color to serve as the president of Oklahoma City Community College.

The Feb. 20 event will include a dinner at 6 p.m., followed by the program at 6:45 p.m. in the ECU Chickasaw Business and Conference Center. The event is free and open to the public. Guests must RSVP by 3 p.m. Feb. 13.

Jones was named the 11th president of OCCC on March 1, 2022. Her appointment as

president also made Oklahoma history as she is the first African American woman to hold that position of any institution of higher education in Oklahoma that is not a Historically Black College and University.

Beyond her professional life, she is an active and engaged member of the community, providing leadership to various corporate, civic and charitable organizations, and received numerous awards.

Visit [ecok.edu](http://ecok.edu) or call 580-559-5725 for more information.



SCAN ME



Dr. Mautra Jones



Lacy Soward Grammer, current ECU Alumni Association President, and family dedicated a bench in honor of her late father Mickey Soward. A memorial scholarship has also been established in his name at the ECU Foundation.

## ECU calls for 2023 Distinguished Award nominations

ECU is seeking nominations for awards to be handed out at its traditional “Evening of Honors and Recognition” set for Friday, May 5, in ECU Foundation Hall of the Chickasaw Business and Conference Center.

Among the list of awards are: Distinguished Family, Distinguished Former Faculty,

Distinguished Service, and Distinguished Alumni.

For a full list of requirements or to make a nomination visit [ecok.edu/2023Nominations](http://ecok.edu/2023Nominations).

For more information, contact the ECU Office of Alumni Relations at 580-559-5725 or email [alumni@ecok.edu](mailto:alumni@ecok.edu).



The annual Dicus Memorial Golf Tournament raised almost \$12,000 in 2022 and is matched by the ECU Foundation for the Mike & Leslie Dicus Memorial Accounting Scholarship. Total donations to the fund since inception \$880,524.



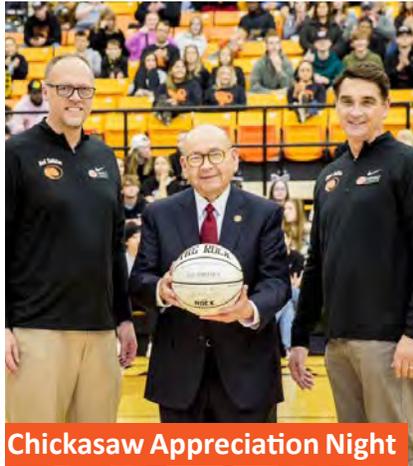
**PRESIDENT'S CIRCLE**  
[ecok.edu/presidents-circle](http://ecok.edu/presidents-circle)  
**JOIN TODAY!**



# Around Campus



President's Circle Holiday Party



Chickasaw Appreciation Night



Are you smarter than an ECU professor?



Party in Pesagi

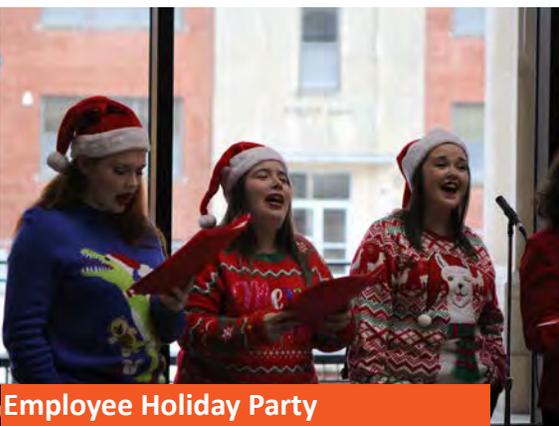


Keeping the Dream Alive



Snow days

December and January were lively across campus at ECU.



Employee Holiday Party



Spring Convocation



3-Point Shoot Out



Chamber Ensemble



Honors Showcase



Veterans' Graduation Celebration

# Tiger Athletics

## ECU Powerlifting wins six medals in second ever competition

The inaugural ECU Tigers Powerlifting Team competed in the Brewhouse Barbell in Oklahoma City on Jan. 21st in its second-ever meet sanctioned by the United States of America Powerlifting (USAPL).

ECU took six athletes to compete, and five out of the six medaled in their weight class.

Byron Cox, Seeker Samara, Myles Branson, Caden Pickens, Briana Perez and Amree Wingfield competed.

All together as a team, the Tigers had three National qualifiers: Jacob Smith, who qualified at the first meet, Amree Wingfield, and Seeker Samara.

"Next year we hope to not just double this number but triple and possibly get some All-Americans in the mix," Head Powerlifting Coach Allison Nally said.

"ECU Powerlifting will continue to do great things as we continue to get stronger!"



### Game Day

#### Men's & Women's Basketball

- Feb. 2 vs. Arkansas Tech
- Feb. 4 vs Harding
- Feb. 9 vs. Univ. of Ark. Monticello
- Feb. 11 vs. Southern Arkansas
- Feb. 13 vs. Southeastern
- Feb. 16 vs. Ouachita Baptist
- Feb. 18 vs. Henderson State
- Feb. 23 vs. Southwestern
- Feb. 25 vs. Oklahoma Baptist

*\*Home games in orange.*

For full athletic schedules and game times, visit [ecutigers.com](http://ecutigers.com)



ECU football & basketball stream with SCORE Broadcasting at [xfactorradio.net](http://xfactorradio.net).





# Tiger Athletics

GREAT AMERICAN

## 2023 TIGERS BASEBALL SCHEDULE

| HOME         | AWAY   |         |
|--------------|--|---------|
| February 1:  | @ University of Central Oklahoma   | 3 pm    |
| February 2:  | vs. Northwest Missouri State University                                    | 7 pm    |
| February 3:  | vs. University of Arkansas Fort Smith                                      | 4 pm    |
| February 4:  | vs. Northeastern State University  | 10 am   |
| February 7:  | vs. Randall University   | 2 pm    |
| February 10: | @ Northeastern State University  | 2 pm    |
| February 11: | @ Northeastern State University  | 2 pm    |
| February 12: | @ Northeastern State University  | 1 pm    |
| February 14: | @ Missouri Southern State University                                       | 2 pm    |
| February 17: | vs. Arkansas Monticello  | 2 pm    |
| February 18: | vs. Arkansas Monticello (DH)   | 12/2 pm |
| February 24: | @ Southern Arkansas  | 6 pm    |
| February 25: | @ Southern Arkansas (DH)   | 2/4 pm  |
| March 3:     | vs. Southern Nazarene  | 2 pm    |
| March 4:     | vs. Southern Nazarene (DH)   | 12/2 pm |
| March 7:     | vs. Roger's State University   | 2 pm    |
| March 10:    | @ Southwestern Oklahoma State University                                   | 2 pm    |
| March 11:    | @ Southwestern Oklahoma State University (DH)                              | 12/2 pm |
| March 14:    | vs. Oklahoma Baptist University  | 2 pm    |
| March 17:    | vs. Ouachita Baptist University  | 2 pm    |
| March 18:    | vs. Ouachita Baptists University (DH)                                      | 12/2 pm |
| March 21:    | @ Southeastern Oklahoma State University                                   | 3 pm    |
| March 24:    | @ Henderson State University   | 6 pm    |
| March 25:    | @ Henderson State (DH)   | 1/3 pm  |
| March 31:    | @ Oklahoma Baptists University   | 6 pm    |
| April 1:     | @ Oklahoma Baptists University (DH)  | 1/3 pm  |
| April 4:     | @ Roger's State University   | 2 pm    |
| April 7:     | vs. Northwestern Oklahoma State University                                 | 2 pm    |
| April 8:     | vs. Northwestern Oklahoma State University (DH)                            | 12/2 pm |
| April 11:    | vs. Northwestern Oklahoma State University @ David Allen Memorial Ballpark | 2 pm    |
| April 14:    | vs. Arkansas Tech University   | 2 pm    |
| April 15:    | vs. Arkansas Tech University (DH)  | 2/4 pm  |
| April 18:    | vs. Southern Nazarene University   | 12 pm   |
| April 21:    | @ Harding University   | 6 pm    |
| April 22:    | @ Harding University (DH)  | 1/3 pm  |
| April 25:    | vs. University of Central Oklahoma   | 2 pm    |
| April 28:    | vs. Southeastern Oklahoma State University                                 | 3 pm    |
| April 29:    | vs. Southeastern Oklahoma State University (DH)                            | 1/3 pm  |
| May 2:       | vs. Rogers State University  | 2 pm    |
| May 6-9:     | GAC Tournament   | TBA     |
| May 14:      | NCAA D2 Selection  | TBA     |

## ECU SOFTBALL 2023 SCHEDULE

| HOME                         | AWAY                      |
|------------------------------|---------------------------|
| SOUTHERN ARKANSAS UNIVERSITY | FEBRUARY 24TH 1:00 + 3:00 |
| SOUTHERN ARKANSAS UNIVERSITY | FEBRUARY 25TH 12:00       |
| SOUTHERN NAZARENE UNIVERSITY | MARCH 3RD 1:00 + 3:00     |
| SOUTHERN NAZARENE UNIVERSITY | MARCH 4TH 12:00           |
| SOUTHWESTERN OKLAHOMA STATE  | MARCH 10TH 1:00 + 3:00    |
| SOUTHWESTERN OKLAHOMA STATE  | MARCH 11TH 12:00          |
| SOUTHEASTERN OKLAHOMA STATE  | MARCH 14TH 1:00 + 3:00    |
| OUACHITA BAPTIST UNIVERSITY  | MARCH 17TH 2:30 + 4:30    |
| OUACHITA BAPTIST UNIVERSITY  | MARCH 18TH 11:00          |
| MIDWESTERN STATE UNIVERSITY  | MARCH 21ST 2:00 + 4:00    |
| HENDERSON STATE UNIVERSITY   | MARCH 24TH 3:00           |
| HENDERSON STATE UNIVERSITY   | MARCH 25TH 12:00 + 2:00   |

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| NEWMAN UNIVERSITY              | MARCH 28TH 2:00 + 4:00  |
| OKLAHOMA BAPTIST UNIVERSITY    | MARCH 31ST 2:00 + 4:00  |
| OKLAHOMA BAPTIST UNIVERSITY    | APRIL 1ST 1:00          |
| NORTHWESTERN OKLAHOMA STATE    | APRIL 6TH 5:00          |
| NORTHWESTERN OKLAHOMA STATE    | APRIL 7TH 12:00 + 2:00  |
| SOUTHEASTERN OKLAHOMA STATE    | APRIL 11TH 3:00         |
| ARKANSAS TECH UNIVERSITY       | APRIL 14TH 4:00         |
| ARKANSAS TECH UNIVERSITY       | APRIL 15TH 12:00 + 2:00 |
| HARDING UNIVERSITY             | APRIL 21ST 2:00 + 4:00  |
| HARDING UNIVERSITY             | APRIL 22ND 12:00        |
| ARKANSAS MONTICELLO UNIVERSITY | APRIL 28TH 1:00 + 3:00  |
| ARKANSAS MONTICELLO UNIVERSITY | APRIL 29TH 12:00        |

