



President Quinton T. Ross, Jr.



Dr. Quinton T. Ross, Jr. serves as the 15th President of Alabama State University, his beloved alma mater, where he is leading with a transformative vision and an unwavering commitment to servant leadership. Since assuming office in October 2017, Dr. Ross has spearheaded a remarkable institutional turnaround, focusing on fiscal stability and debt reduction, which has resulted in a significant financial transformation and restored confidence in the University's operations.

Under Dr. Ross's leadership, Alabama State University has witnessed over \$20 million in comprehensive infrastructure enhancements, including vital campus-wide modernization efforts and strategic security upgrades. Dr. Ross has recently secured \$91 million from Wall Street for the construction of new student apartments and improvements to campus infrastructure. His dedication to academic excellence and institutional quality is evident in ASU's reaffirmation by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) through 2030.

Through his strategic roadmap titled FOCUS 2030, Dr. Ross has expanded educational access, increased enrollment, and advanced student success. These efforts have led to historic fundraising records, innovative academic programming, and national recognition positioning ASU among the top Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) in the nation.

Dr. Ross's influence extends beyond the campus gates. He holds key national leadership positions, including an appointment by President Joe Biden to the White House Initiative on Historically Black Colleges and Universities Board of Advisors. He also serves on the HBCU Capital Financing Advisory Board, is a member of the Thurgood Marshall College Fund Board of Directors, and is Chairman of the Southwestern Athletic Conference (SWAC) Commission.

Dr. Ross was recently appointed to the NCAA Division I Board of Directors, where he also serves on the Finance Committee. In this role, he plays a key part in shaping policies and governance for national collegiate athletics. His inclusion in these prestigious governing bodies reflects his growing influence in higher education and intercollegiate athletics nationwide.

His exceptional leadership has been recognized through numerous accolades, including being named the 2023 Educator of the Year by the Thurgood Marshall College Fund. A passionate advocate for equity, education, and economic development, Dr. Ross is committed to empowering the next generation through innovation, inclusivity, and transformational leadership.

Dr. Ross has more than 30 years of experience in education, with a distinguished career that includes K-12 and higher education, legislative leadership, and community advocacy. A proud alumnus of ASU, he is also an engaged member of civic and community organizations, including Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., and the 100 Black Men of America.

Beyond his professional accomplishments, Dr. Ross treasures his role as a devoted husband and father, embodying the values of excellence, integrity, and compassion in every facet of his life.

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