

Objectives and Activities

The Parents Advisory Association of the Office of African-American Affairs was created to help create and maintain an environment in which African-American student attending UVA will have access to accommodations and considerations that assure and enhance opportunities for positive college experiences and intellectual development, which results in graduation and proper preparation for graduate or post-graduation matriculation at any college or university in the nation.

The PAA is committed to making an impact on students life at UVA through the following activities:

- Providing Financial Support
- Addressing Diversity Issues
- Supporting Recruitment and Retention
- Sponsoring Fund Raisers



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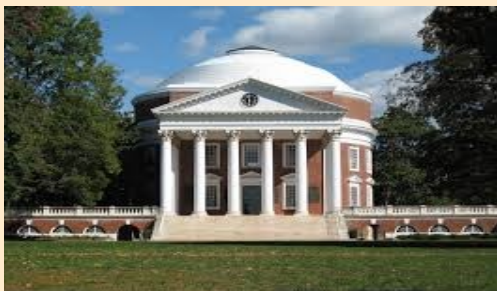
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THE PARENTS ADVISORY ASSOCIATION (PAA) NORTHERN VA/DC/MD CHAPTER OF THE OFFICE OF AFRICAN-AMERICAN AFFAIRS UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA



GOALS

- Organize fund raising activities to supplement the OAAA's budget or, otherwise, to sponsor activities that enhance the academic, intellectual, or social well being of African-American students.
- Participate in and/or influencing University decisions which, either directly or indirectly, effect African-American students.
- Support development and growth of other regional chapters of the OAAA and PAA.
- Encourage all families of African-American



students to participate in OAAA programming and activities.

- Solicit the support of business, government, and community entities in the quest for enhanced opportunities and consideration for UVA African-American students.
- Participate in University sponsored activities that directly benefit the OAAA programs or which enhance the prospects for African-American Students to excel academically and to graduate in greater numbers.

A BRIEF INTRO OF PAA

Having the highest retention and graduation rates of African-American students in public universities across the nation, the University of Virginia has much about which it can be proud. There are many factors that have contributed to its success: University Presidential commitment, a strong and viable Office of African- American Affairs (OAAA,) and the collaborative spirit and partnership of departments and offices across the grounds. However, in addition to all of these factors, there is another, which has made a significant impact upon student success - that is the Office of African-American Affairs's Parents Advisory Association (PAA.)

The brainchild of Father Joseph Brown, Interim Dean of African-American Affairs from 1986 to 1988, the organization was created to assist the OAAA with its mission of providing a welcoming and nurturing environment for students of color. Upon assuming the Deanship in 1988, Dr. Rick Turner continued the evolution of the organization. Knowing the value of parental involvement, which is the cornerstone of his programming initiatives, Turner expanded the organization and brought it to national prominence.

The PAA is an important component of his holistic approach to retention, where parents and University administrators, faculty, staff are in partnership in making difference in the lives of enrolled students. The organization has been influential in assisting the University with wide-ranging issues on diversity and campus climate.



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