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NATIONAL EXECUTIVE BOARD TRANSITIONS

A Note From 2024–25 National Executive Board Chair Taylor Scott

To My NSBE Family,

Thank you for a phenomenal year. Serving as national chairperson of our beloved organization has been the greatest privilege of my life. To interact with members, partners, WHQ, NSBE leaders, founders, charter members and chapters was truly a blessing; and I am in sheer amazement at the accomplishments of our membership and honored by the trust you have put in us as leaders. We are proof of five decades of *Black Excellence Engineered*.

When I first joined NSBE as a freshman at the University of Michigan – Ann Arbor in 2019, I did not see myself leading this organization in the future. I saw the community I needed. Moving out-of-state and attending a large PWI, NSBE was my support system. The National Society of Black Engineers cultivated many of my friendships and connected my sense of cultural activism to my interest in STEM. When I was unmotivated or discouraged in my schoolwork, the friends I made in NSBE were there. When I underestimated my leadership ability, my NSBE board members and advisors were there. When my drive dwindled at work, NSBE stoked my passion to move the needle even further in pursuit of the Mission. I know that every member can share similar sentiments about how NSBE has helped shape and support them throughout their lives.

Here is what I also know to be true: the creation of NSBE was not just happenstance. It took audacity and grit to transform a moment into a movement. And that is what we stand on the cusp of today. NSBE is needed now more than ever, and as we celebrate 50 years, we all must harness that same spirit to ensure NSBE's future prosperity. That's the work. Impacting the community is not just a slogan. It's a call to action that everyone can and must answer. To those who believe in the Mission, now is the time to take up the mantle as torchbearers for our organization. Everyone is conferred a gift for the advancement of the common good. If we remember that and work in harmony, I know the possibilities for NSBE are limitless.

Dedicated to a better tomorrow and with NSBE Luv,

Taylor Kennedy Scott
2024–25 National Chairperson of the National Society of Black Engineers
Lifetime Member #711

Janeen Uzzell
ott
Taylor Jordan

📽️ How It Started, How It's Going: A Candid Conversation With NSBE's CEO and Outgoing Chairs

NSBE CEO Janeen Uzzell sits down once again with Taylor Scott, 2024–25 national chair, and Taylor Jordan (née Jacobs), 2024–25 Professionals chair, to reflect on their leadership journey and the impact of their board term.

This heartfelt follow-up to their first joint interview captures how both leaders grew, led and inspired across the Society. From milestone moments and unforgettable wins to the challenges that shaped them, the conversation is filled with wisdom, laughter and powerful advice for the next generation of NSBE leaders.

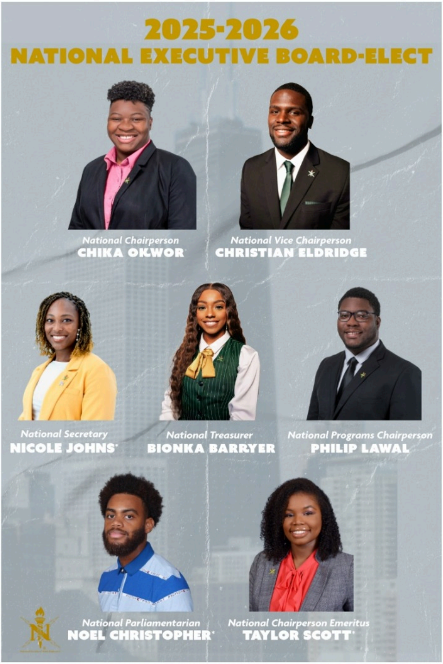
🎥 Watch now to see how it started, how it went — and the legacy the leaders leave behind.

NSBE Business: 2025–26 NEB-Elect and National Constitutional Amendments

Dear NSBE Member,

The National Society convened in Chicago, IL, from March 5–9, for our

2025 Annual Convention and 50th year anniversary, to connect, network and, most importantly, conduct business. At the conclusion of Convention, we had a total of 196 eligible voters, a Society wide 90% voter turnout, and at least an 81% voter turnout across all regions in our General Elections. This high participation yielded the following 2025–2026 National Executive Board-Elect:



2025-2026
NATIONAL EXECUTIVE BOARD-ELECT

National Chairperson
CHIKA OKWOR

National Vice Chairperson
CHRISTIAN ELDRIDGE

National Secretary
NICOLE JOHNS

National Treasurer
BIONKA BARRYER

National Programs Chairperson
PHILIP LAWAL

National Parliamentarian
NOEL CHRISTOPHER

National Chairperson Emeritus
TAYLOR SCOTT

2025-2026
NATIONAL EXECUTIVE BOARD-ELECT

National Finance Chairperson
ALANAH PENN

Convention Planning Committee Chairperson
JAZMINE BULLOCK

National Financial Controller
KEYON HILL*

National Technology Chairperson
ROBERT ELMORE III*

National Membership Chairperson
WILLIAM COREY JR.*

International Committee Chairperson
NINA KANONYE

2025-2026
NATIONAL EXECUTIVE BOARD-ELECT

Region I Chairperson
SATIERA STARCAZE

Region II Chairperson
BROOKE SCOTT

Region III Chairperson
SHANISSEE LEE

Region IV Chairperson
CASEY WILLIAMS

Region V Chairperson
CHIEDZA DINGA

Region VI Chairperson
BRIANNA DELGADO BUCHANAN CARVALHO

National Professionals Chairperson
JARRELL JOHNSON

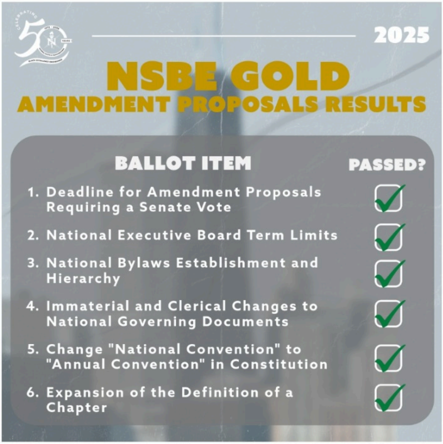
Names with an "*" indicate they were appointed by the NEB-Elect; however, this appointment does not change elected or appointed positions, as stated in our governance.

Per our governance, the Board-Elect will be officially installed as the National Executive Board (NEB) on May 1, 2025.

There are still open positions on the NEB,and the application closes at end-of-day April 30, 2025, EDT.

Apply here: https://nsbe.jotform.com/250155989731971

In addition, the NSBE Senate voted on six amendments to our National Constitution. With an 88% overall voter turnout and a minimum 84% affirmative vote for each of the amendments, all six met the minimum requirement to pass.



2025

NSBE GOLD

AMENDMENT PROPOSALS RESULTS

BALLOT ITEM	PASSED?
1. Deadline for Amendment Proposals Requiring a Senate Vote	✓
2. National Executive Board Term Limits	✓
3. National Bylaws Establishment and Hierarchy	✓
4. Immaterial and Clerical Changes to National Governing Documents	✓
5. Change "National Convention" to "Annual Convention" in Constitution	✓
6. Expansion of the Definition of a Chapter	✓

Thank you to every senator, chapter leader and member of our organization who contributed to this effort, and a special shout-out to the National Elections Committee.

With NSBE Luv,

Obum Egolum
2023–2025 National Parliamentarian
2023–2025 National Elections Committee, Chair
National Society of Black Engineers

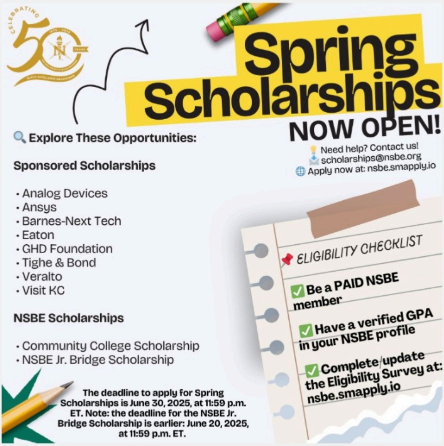
MEMBERSHIP LUV

Congrats to NSBE’s Lifetime Member Class of 2025!

At #NSBE2025, we honored 102 extraordinary individuals as the newest additions to our lifetime member community. The NSBE Lifetime Member Reception was a powerful event filled with celebration, recognizing the Class of 2025 for their lasting commitment to advancing NSBE's mission and fueling Black excellence in STEM for generations to come.

As we celebrate 50 years of impact, this remarkable class strengthens our legacy and ensures that the spirit of NSBE will continue to Inspire, Excel and Impact for decades forward.

Congratulations to our new lifetime members. Your dedication paves the way to the future!



Spring Scholarships
NOW OPEN!

💡 Need help? Contact us!
📩 scholarships@nsbe.org
🌐 Apply now at: nsbe.smapply.io

🔍 **Explore These Opportunities:**

Sponsored Scholarships

- Analog Devices
- Ansys
- Barnes-Next Tech
- Eaton
- GHD Foundation
- Tighe & Bond
- Veralto
- Visit KC

NSBE Scholarships

- Community College Scholarship
- NSBE Jr. Bridge Scholarship

📌 ELIGIBILITY CHECKLIST

✅ **Be a PAID NSBE member**

✅ **Have a verified GPA in your NSBE profile**

✅ **Complete/update the Eligibility Survey at: nsbe.smapply.io**

The deadline to apply for Spring Scholarships is June 30, 2025, at 11:59 p.m. ET. Note: the deadline for the NSBE Jr. Bridge Scholarship is earlier: June 20, 2025, at 11:59 p.m. ET.

Spring Scholarships Are Now Open!

Our 2025 Spring Scholarship cycle is officially open! Don't miss your chance to receive funding to support your academic and career goals. Visit nsbe.smapply.io to view and apply for opportunities including:

Sponsored Scholarships

- Analog Devices Scholarship
- Ansys Scholarship
- Barnes-Next Tech Scholarship
- Eaton Scholarship
- GHD Foundation Scholarship
- Tighe & Bond Scholarship
- Veralto Scholarship
- Visit KC Scholarship

NSBE Scholarships

- NSBE Community College Scholarship 2025
- NSBE Jr. Bridge Scholarship 2025

Application Deadline:

📆 June 30, 2025, at 11:59 p.m. ET
📆 *NSBE Jr. Bridge Scholarship Deadline:* June 20, 2025

To apply, make sure you:
✅ Are a **PAID NSBE member**
✅ Have a **verified GPA** in your MyNSBE profile
✅ Complete or update your **Eligibility Survey** on the scholarship portal

💡 **Important:** GPA verification began **April 1, 2025,** and is **required** to apply. The window closes **July 31, 2025**. Self-report your GPA in your MyNSBE profile and have it confirmed by your advisor. Visit nsbe.org/scholarships for the full step-by-step guide.
Need help? Contact us at scholarships@nsbe.org.

➡ **Learn More**

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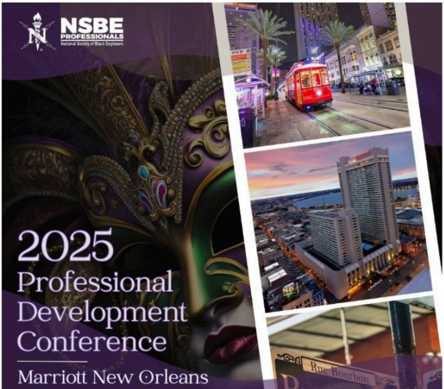
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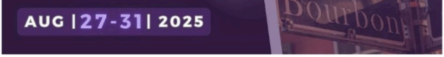
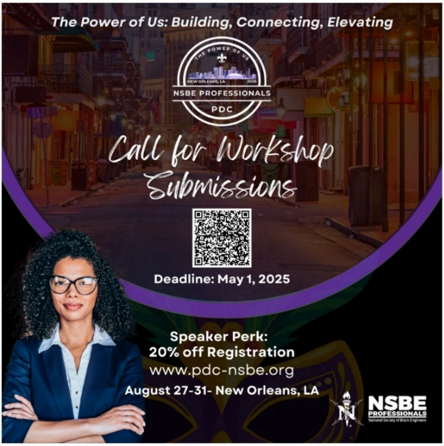
2025
Professional Development Conference
Marriott New Orleans
Rue Bourbon



Calling All NSBE Professionals: It’s Time to Elevate at PDC 2025

The **NSBE Professional Development Conference (PDC)** is the ultimate experience for professionals ready to grow, connect and lead. Whether you’re an early career professional, mid-level leader or executive trailblazer, **PDC is where you level up**.

Taking place in **New Orleans, Aug. 27–31, 2025**, this year’s conference is themed **“The Power of Us: Building, Elevating, Connecting.”** It’s more than just a theme. It’s a call to action. This conference is designed to fuel your personal and professional growth, deepen your network and celebrate the impact we make when we move together.



Submit a Workshop Proposal

Deadline: May 1

Have an idea that could inspire others? Lead a workshop that’s insightful, interactive and immediately applicable.

We’re seeking sessions that challenge perspectives, deliver practical strategies and create meaningful dialogue.

Workshop proposals are due on or before May 1, 2025.

Selected presenters will receive a **20% discount on registration** (up to three people per session).

➔ **Submit a Workshop Proposal**

Early Bird Registration

THE POWER OF US
NEW ORLEANS, LA 2025
NSBE PROFESSIONALS
PDC

Prices increase after May 15, 2025!

Lifetime - $200 | Professional - $280
Graduate - $200 | Non-Member - $500

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National Society of Black Engineers

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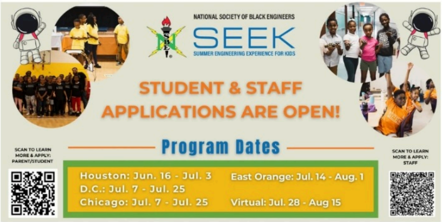
Register Early – Save More

Don't miss your chance to be part of this powerful experience. **Early bird registration ends May 15, 2025**, and prices will increase afterward. Lock in your spot and savings today.

Everything You Need, All in One Place

From our hotel block to signature events, workshop themes, sponsorship opportunities and speaker perks, **all details are available on our website**: www.pdc-nsbe.org.

Learn More



NATIONAL SOCIETY OF BLACK ENGINEERS
SEEK
SUMMER ENGINEERING EXPERIENCE FOR KIDS

STUDENT & STAFF APPLICATIONS ARE OPEN!

Program Dates

SCAN TO LEARN MORE & APPLY: PARENT/STUDENT

Houston: Jun. 16 - Jul. 3
D.C.: Jul. 7 - Jul. 25
Chicago: Jul. 7 - Jul. 25
East Orange: Jul. 14 - Aug. 1
Virtual: Jul. 28 - Aug 15

SCAN TO LEARN MORE & APPLY: STAFF

NSBE's Summer Engineering Experience for Kids!

NSBE's Summer Engineering Experience for Kids is back for Summer 2025, with programs available in select cities and online!

Student and staff applications are now open and will be reviewed on a rolling basis. Scan the QR code or visit seek.nsbe.org to apply!

- **Houston, TX (all-girls)**

June 16 –July 3, 2025

Aldine Young Women's Leadership Academy (19850 East Hardy Rd., Houston, TX 77073)

Application closes on June 2.

- **Chicago, IL**

  July 7–July 25, 2025

  Charles W. Earle School (2040 W. 62nd St., Chicago, IL 60636)

  Application closes on June 23.

- **Washington, DC**

  TENTATIVE

  July 7–July 25, 2025

  Application closes on June 23.

- **East Orange, NJ**

  July 14–Aug. 1, 2025

  Benjamin Banneker Academy (500 S. Clinton St., East Orange, NJ 07018)

  Application closes on June 30.

- **Virtual**

  July 28–Aug. 15, 2025

  Virtual Platform

  Application closes on July 14.

Student/Parent Application

Staff Application

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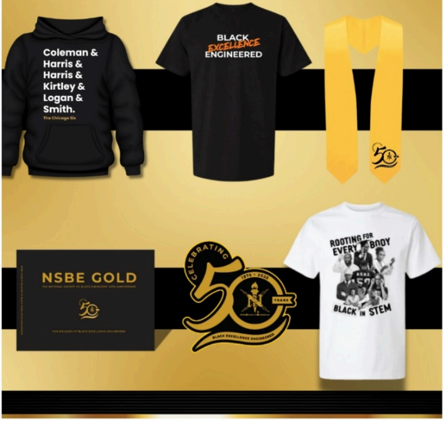

🎓 Celebrate Graduation With NSBE Gold!

Graduation season is here, and there's no better way to honor your journey than with the official NSBE Gold stole — designed to commemorate 50 years of Black Excellence in STEM.

Explore our full eStore collection featuring legacy-inspired apparel, keepsakes, and gear for every proud member of our community.

Shop now and rep your excellence. 🎉

➡ **Explore the Store!**

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NSBE Founders Day at Purdue University

On April 11–12, 2025, the National Society of Black Engineers returned to its birthplace—Purdue University—to commemorate 50 years of Black excellence in engineering and community empowerment. The Founders Day celebration marked a powerful moment of reflection and unity, honoring the historic vote that took place on April 12, 1975, when 91 students from 28 institutions officially established NSBE.

The event, organized by NSBE's Mother Chapter at Purdue, brought together current members, alumni, founders, and university partners for a weekend of celebration, education, and remembrance. Highlights included guided tours of the Purdue Black Cultural Center and the Mechanical Engineering building as well as a moving panel discussion featuring NSBE founders and charter members.

A pinnacle of the weekend was the official dedication of Stewart Center Room 202, the very space where NSBE was born, in honor of our organization and its enduring mission. This powerful gesture solidified NSBE's legacy at Purdue and served as a testament to the impact our members have made over five decades.

To our members: you are the living legacy of our founders' vision. As we reflect on this milestone, we recommit ourselves to advancing NSBE's mission and carrying the torch of Black excellence in STEM forward for the next 50 years and beyond.

View the Photos

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