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MEAC ANNOUNCES 2012 FOOTBALL ALL-MEAC AWARDS

*Delaware State's Elko and Howard's Pough Earn Offensive and Defensive Player of the Year Awards'
B-CU's Brian Jenkins Named Coach of the Year*

NORFOLK, Va., November 24, 2012 - Delaware State quarterback **Nick Elko** was selected as the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference's (MEAC) Offensive Player of the Year and **Keith Pough** of **Howard** earned the Defensive Player of the Year honor, as voted on by the MEAC's head football coaches and sports information directors.

Howard's Damon Gresham Chisholm earned the Rookie of the Year award and **Terrance Hackney** of **Bethune-Cookman** was selected as Offensive Lineman of the Year.

Third-year head coach **Brian Jenkins** of **Bethune-Cookman** was named Coach of the Year. Jenkins led the Wildcats to an unblemished 8-0 MEAC record and 9-2 overall mark. The Wildcats edged out Florida A&M in the annual Florida Classic to seal its perfect record and the conference's automatic berth to the NCAA Division I (FCS) Championships. The Wildcats are currently ranked No. 22 in both the Sports Network's FCS and the FCS Coaches poll's.

Senior **Nick Elko** leads the MEAC in passing average per game (257.1 avg./g) and total offense (250.3 avg./g). He completed 259 passes on 412 attempts with 15 touchdowns and ranks No. 3 in the MEAC in pass efficiency (130.1). Elko completes a stellar four-year career at Delaware State finishing with 5,754 passing yards connecting on 539-of-911 attempts and 5,592 yards of total offense.

Keith Pough recorded 72 total tackles, 44 solo, with 10.0 for a loss of 50 yards during the 2012 campaign. Pough became the FCS all-time record holder in tackles for a loss with 83 to cap his four-year collegiate career with the Bison. He ranks 13th in totl tackles as well as in tackles for a loss in the conference. He also recorded 3.5 sacks for a loss of 35 yards, two quarterback hurries, one block, one forced fumble, two fumble recoveries and earned his first-career touchdown in a come-from-behind victory over Delaware State. Pough has earned MEAC Defensive Player of the Week accolades twice this season.

Damon Gresham Chisholm led the MEAC and ranks fourth in the nation in tackles for loss with 18.0 for 71 yards. He ranked fifth on the team in total tackles with 41 and added five sacks, nine quarterback hurries, three forced fumbles and three recovered fumbles. The Lumberton, New Jersey native earned Rookie of the Week accolades once this season.

Terrance Hackney aided a dominating Wildcat offense that accounted for 4,235 yards of total offense including 2,722 yards on the ground. Behind Hackney's blocking output Bethune-Cookman finished first in the MEAC in scoring offense (30.8 ppg), rushing offense (237.5 avg/g), and total offense (385.0 avg/g). Hackney earned the conference's Offensive Lineman of the Week honor once this season.

-2012 All-MEAC Football Team Attached-



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2012 All-MEAC Football Honors

As voted on by the MEAC's Head Football Coaches and Sports Information Directors

Nick Elko, Delaware State
Offensive Player of the Year

Keith Pough, Howard
Defensive Player of the Year

Terrance Hackney, Bethune-Cookman
Offensive Lineman of the Year

Damon Gresham Chisholm, Howard
Rookie of the Year

Brian Jenkins, Bethune-Cookman
Coach of the Year

2012 All-MEAC FIRST TEAM

<u>Offense</u>				
<i>Pos</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>CL</i>	<i>School</i>	<i>Hometown</i>
QB	Nick Elko	r-Sr.	Delaware State	Odenton, Md.
RB	Isidore Jackson	r-Jr.	Bethune-Cookman	Mossy Head, Fla.
RB	Jeremiah Schwartz	Sr.	Hampton	Orlando, Fla.
TE	Joseph Hawkins	Jr.	Norfolk State	Charlotte, N.C.
WR	Tarvis Tarpley	r-Jr.	Delaware State	Danville, Va.
WR *	Justin Wilson	r-Jr.	Delaware State	Windsor, Conn.
WR*	Travis Harvey	r-Sr.	Florida A&M	Inglewood, Calif.
OL	Terrance Hackney	So.	Bethune-Cookman	Chapel Hill, N.C.
OL	William Robinson	r-So.	North Carolina A&T	Clinton, Md.
OL	Joshua Matthews	So.	Howard	Bowman, S.C.
OL	Nail Muradymov	r-Jr.	Delaware State	Burtonsville, Md.
C	Eugene Solomon	Sr.	Bethune-Cookman	Savannah, Ga.
<u>Defense</u>				
DL	LeBrandon Richardson	So.	Bethune-Cookman	Miami, Fla.
DL	Lynden Trail	r-So.	Norfolk State	Miami, Fla.
DL	Stephen Young	Sr.	North Carolina Central	Woodbridge, Va.
DL	Damon Gresham Chisholm	Fr.	Howard	Decatur, Ga.
LB	Keith Pough	r-Sr.	Howard	Orangeburg, S.C.
LB	Jarkevis Fields	Jr.	Bethune-Cookman	Sanford, Fla.
LB	Ernest Adjei	Sr.	Delaware State	Woodbridge, Va.
DB	Nick Addison	So.	Bethune-Cookman	Riverview, Fla.
DB	Davon Moore	So.	Delaware State	Mt. Vernon, N.Y.
DB	D'Vonte Graham	Jr.	North Carolina A&T	Tallahassee, Fla.
DB	Julien David	Jr.	Howard	Coral Springs, Fla.
P	Dylan Shaddix	Jr.	Norfolk State	McDonough, Ga.
P/K	Chase Varnadore	r-So.	Florida A&M	Tallahassee, Fla.
Ret	Arthur Goforth	Sr.	North Carolina Central	Columbia, S.C.

2012 All-MEAC SECOND TEAM

<u>Offense</u>				
<i>Pos</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>CL</i>	<i>School</i>	<i>Hometown</i>
QB	Damien Fleming	So.	Florida A&M	Jacksonville, Fla.
RB	Mike Mayhew	Sr.	North Carolina A&T	Charlotte, N.C.
RB	Travis Davidson	Sr.	Morgan State	Redford, Mich.
TE	David Wilson	Fr.	Howard	Sacramento, Calif.
WR	Xavier Boyce	r-Sr.	Norfolk State	Virginia Beach, Va.
WR	Lennel Elmore	r-Sr.	South Carolina State	Allendale, S.C.
OL	Brandon Cunningham	Jr.	Delaware State	Lumberton, N.J.
OL	Charles Goodwin	r-Jr.	North Carolina Central	High Point, N.C.
OL*	Lavon McCoy	Sr.	Bethune-Cookman	Compton, Calif.
OL *	Davin Morris	Sr.	Howard	Houston, Texas
OL*	Tristen Bellamy	r-Jr.	South Carolina State	Johnston, S.C.
C	Bradley Bush Johnson	r-So.	Howard	Charlotte, N.C.
<u>Defense</u>				
DL	Xavier Proctor	r-Sr.	North Carolina Central	Ellicott City, Md.



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DL	Chris Neal	Sr.	North Carolina A&T	Greensboro, N.C.
DL	Harold Love III	Sr.	Bethune-Cookman	Portland, Ore.
DL*	Rodney Gunter	Fr.	Delaware State	Haines, Fla.
DL*	Padric Scott	r-Sr.	Florida A&M	Tallahassee, Fla.
LB	Brandon Hepburn	Sr.	Florida A&M	Pomona, N.Y.
LB	Elandon Roberts	Fr.	Morgan State	Port Arthur, Texas
LB	D'Vonte Grant	Jr.	North Carolina A&T	Charlotte, N.C.
DB	Terrick Colston	So.	Delaware State	Lakeland, Fla.
DB	Joseph Rankin	Jr.	Morgan State	Germantown, Md.
DB	Travis Crosby	Jr.	North Carolina A&T	Charlotte, N.C.
DB	DJ Howard	r-Jr.	Bethune-Cookman	Daytona Beach, Fla.
P	Jordan Stovall	Sr.	Hampton	Elgin, S.C.
P/K	Everett Goldberg	Sr.	Norfolk State	Mesa Ridge, Colo.
Ret	James Owens	r-Sr.	Florida A&M	Apopka, Fla.

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