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Established in 1989



The Alliance was organized to facilitate the development of African American men and boys in American Society. It is a working collaboration of three components: Programs and Public Education, The Black Male Athlete Economic Cluster, and The African American Male Information Initiative.

The Watkins Award—Since 1992, young men have been honored with the title "Premier African American Male Scholar Athlete." Today the Watkins Memorial Trophy is considered the most prestigious award for any African American high school student.

Annual SAT Scrimmage—FREE SAT preparation program in conjunction with Kaplan is held in 5-50 cities annually. All high school students regardless of athletic, ethnic or other considerations, can attend for free.

Synergy Conferences—Our conferences cover topics of interest and concern to the sports community. Focusing on social and economic issues, we seek to highlight topics that affect the African American community.

Who We Are - The National Alliance of African American Athletes (The Alliance).

- ◆ Professional athletes, business professionals, educators, and men and women of all races who want to make a positive impact on the lives of African American males.
- ♦ Active and Retired professional athletes such as Jameis Winston, Myron Rolle, Ted Ginn Jr, Lorenzo Alexander, Gerald McCoy, Arrelious Benn, Ben Tate III, Marcedes Lewis, Shane Battier, Eric Reid, Darnell Dinkins, Robert Tate, LaVarr Arrington, Dwayne Haskins, Devin White, and many others, who believe in our vision.

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