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## First Place in NAIA Cheer Championship History

New Orleans, La. Xavier University of Louisiana Competitive Cheer (XULA Cheer) received first place in the 2022 National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA). Xavier University is the first historically Black college and university to receive this title. XULA Cheer accomplished a ground-breaking achievement with a final score of 93.70 out of a possible 100 points, setting a meet record for the highest winning score. The sixth annual NAIA Competitive Cheer National Championship featured 15 teams from across the country, where Xavier has been ranked number one in the United States all season. Championship in school history.

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**XULA Cheer Head Coach, Glenn Caston.**

Black excellence. We really wanted to make sure that throughout our routine, little Black boys and girls can see

Holding the new title as the first-ever HBCU to win the NAIA Competitive Cheer Competition, Xavier University of Louisiana continues to break barriers and demonstrate excellence even beyond the classroom. According to Caston, XULA Cheer has more to prove and will continue to perform at the highest level to maintain its status as one of the top competitive teams in the country.

XULA Cheer [follow this link](#). Find out more information about XULA Cheer [here](#).

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### **About Xavier University of Louisiana**

*Xavier University of Louisiana, America's only historically Black and Catholic University, is ranked among the top three HBCUs (historically Black colleges and universities) in the nation. Recognized as a national leader in STEM and health sciences, Xavier produces more African American students who graduate from medical schools each year than any other university in the United States. Additionally, Xavier's College of Pharmacy is also among the top producers of African American pharmacists in the country.*

*Established in 1925, by Saint Katharine Drexel and the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament as a place for African American and Native Americans to receive quality education, Xavier has since expanded its programs in art, business, education, biological sciences, chemistry, pharmacy and political science. More recent additions in robotics, bioinformatics, engineering, data science, neuroscience and genetics, in addition to new STEM-based master's programs, have provided Xavier students (2815 undergraduates and 787 graduates) an unbeatable combination of traditional classroom study, hands-on research, service-learning opportunities and life experiences. Xavier students collaborate with world-renowned faculty, who are experts in their fields, to produce award-winning research and notable work. The winning Xavier formula is to provide students with a well-balanced curriculum and an environment that nurtures their intellect and feeds their souls, thereby facilitating a more just and humane society for all. For more information about Xavier University of Louisiana, visit us online at [www.xula.edu](http://www.xula.edu) or contact Chelsea Cunningham at (504) 520-5425 or [ccunnin@xula.edu](mailto:ccunnin@xula.edu).*

