



**The Hill:** [NAACP calls for University of South Carolina to cancel 'roast' of Harris](#)

The NAACP has joined a host of students in calling for the University of South Carolina to cancel a scheduled “roast” of Vice President Harris. [In a letter](#) to university President Michael Amiridis, the organization said that while it is nonpartisan and does not endorse candidates, it was “compelled to write this letter because of the blatant sexist and racist nature of the event, the advertisement for it, and the potential for violence on campus because of the proposed event.”

**Ebony:** [NAACP Pens Open Letter to the University of South Carolina to Cancel Racist Roast Against Kamala Harris](#)

The NAACP is following [Kamala Harris](#)’s mandate to “Do something” to end a vicious attack against the first Black and South Asian female presidential candidate. The organization has sent an open letter to the University of South Carolina to cancel a “roast” of the vice president—one steeped in racial tropes—scheduled to take place on campus on September 18.

**Black Information Network:** [NAACP Urges University Of South Carolina To Cancel 'Roast' Of Kamala Harris](#)

“Hate speech has long served as a weapon to undermine the progress of our nation. At a time where we are witnessing groundbreaking history, bad actors aim to cast a dark shadow on those very achievements,” Derrick Johnson, NAACP president and CEO, said in a separate statement. “If South Carolina University’s leadership values their Black students, it’s only right they shut this event down. Our nation’s schools must remain havens for learning, not platforms for hate. It is imperative that the university takes swift action in this matter and protects the campus community from patterns of divisiveness and degradation.”

**TheGrio:** [White House reacts to 'obscene' campus roast of VP Harris at University of South Carolina](#)

The NAACP noted that inviting McInnes and Yiannopoulos, in particular, poses a great danger to the student body and campus personnel. The leaders of the organization pointed out that the extremist leaders and the Proud Boys have a “history of violence,” including the Jan. 6, 2021 attack on the U.S. Capitol.

**Newser:** [University of South Carolina Urged to Cancel Harris 'Roast'](#)

The NAACP has joined lawmakers and students urging the University of South Carolina to call off a Sept. 18 “roast” of Vice President Kamala Harris starring two leading far-right figures as “roastmasters.” The event, [advertised](#) with what the [Post and Courier](#) calls a “vulgar misspelling” of Harris’ name, will feature Proud Boys founder Gavin McInnes and right-wing British commentator Milo Yiannopoulos.

**ABC 15:** [NAACP condemns Kamala Harris 'roast' at USC](#)

NAACP President Derrick Johnson and NAACP South Carolina State Conference President Brenda Murphy have condemned the event, claiming it has spread anti-Black hate speech and harassment on campus. “There is no place for hate in a democracy,” their joint statement read.

**Alabama Public Radio:** [Alabama NAACP criticizes Auburn basketball coach over alleged comments about Kamala Harris](#)

Auburn basketball Bruce Pearl is drawing criticism from the Alabama NAACP following reported comments about Democratic Presidential candidate Kamala Harris. The coach was reportedly responding to a social media post by Arkansas U.S. Senator Tom Cotton, who alleged that Harris would take health care away from Americans.

**AL.com:** [Auburn coach Bruce Pearl doesn't want to know what 'woke' means, says Alabama NAACP](#)

Benard Simelton, president of the Alabama NAACP, said this in response to Pearl's tweet: "Kamala Harris is energizing her base which has a significant number of black voters, in her bid for the highest position in the country, and this is causing people to show us who they really are. Since 2014, Coach Pearl has profited off the talents and legacy of Black athletes, but by his own admission doesn't understand the implications of his words. We do not have to ask, 'will the real Coach Pearl stand up, because we know he does not want to understand what woke means.'"

**Black Enterprise:** [University Of Alabama Scraps BSU, Queer Resource Center Due To DEI Bill](#)

Black student unions are part of the fabric of a university's Black experience at many predominantly white institutions, and the Tuscaloosa chapter of the NAACP has pledged its support in assisting the organization to obtain funding as the university can no longer support the group on campus. "In Tuscaloosa and across Alabama, organizations like BSU play a critical role in continuing the legacy of the Civil Rights Movement," Tuscaloosa NAACP chapter president Lisa Young told the AP.

**Blavity:** [University Of Alabama's Black Student Union And Queer Student Center Shut Down Following Anti-DEI Legislation](#)

The Tuscaloosa chapter of the NAACP noted the enduring importance of organizations like the Black Student Union on university campuses. "In Tuscaloosa and across Alabama, organizations like BSU play a critical role in continuing the legacy of the Civil Rights Movement," Tuscaloosa NAACP chapter president Lisa Young told the AP.

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## STATEMENTS:

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