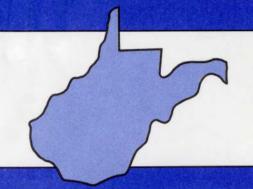
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BLUEFIELD STATE AWARDED \$1.1 MILLION FROM EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

WASHINGTON, D.C. -- U.S. Rep. Nick Rahall (D-WV) today announced that Bluefield State College has been awarded \$1.1 million from the U.S. Department of Education as part of their Title III program, which is designed to help America's historically black colleges and universities.

The money, which has will be available October 1, 1992, will be used for administrative purposes, to pay salaries, and aid the lecture program.

"Over the last several years, we have seen Bluefield State diversify and grow, exposing its students to a host of cultures and philosophies from around the world. They are providing a top-notch education that enriches their students lives and their educational experience," said Rahall. "This funding will help them to continue down this road of excellence on their crucial mission."

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