



# ELEVATE ALCORN STATE FOOTBALL



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Dear Alcorn State Alumni,

I hope this message finds you well and filled with the proud spirit of Alcorn State University. As we embark on another exciting season of Braves football under the exceptional leadership of Head Coach Cedric Thomas, we are reaching out to our loyal alumni community to seek support in enhancing the overall experience for our players, coaches, and support staff during their travels.

**Mission and Vision:** Our mission at Alcorn State Football is to cultivate an environment of excellence, discipline, and unity. We strive to develop not only skilled athletes but also wellrounded individuals who embody the principles of integrity, perseverance, and sportsmanship. Our vision is to create a football program that not only succeeds on the field but also nurtures the personal and academic growth of our student-athletes.

**Importance of Quality Meals:** One integral aspect of our mission is to provide our team with the best resources for success, both on and off the field. Traveling for away games is a vital component of the college football journey, and we are dedicated to ensuring our players, coaches, and support staff have access to nutritious and delightful meals that optimize their performance.

### **Updated Cost Breakdown:**

The average cost to provide a player with meals for a road trip is now \$180.00 per person. For night games, this cost increases to \$200.00 per person due to additional expenses for meals (continental breakfast or lunch) normally not included in the budget. We also acknowledge the importance of post-game meals, and we strive to maintain a high standard throughout each trip.

### **State Rate Breakdown:**

To provide transparency, let's break down the State of Mississippi travel rate for meals:

- For example, the state meal rate for Nashville is \$59.25 per person for two days.
- The state rate is 75% of the listed rate for the month and destination. In this case, the daily meal rate is \$79.00, but it's 75% of that rate on the first and last day of the trip.
- The rate varies per city and date of travel.





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## **How You Can Make a Difference:**

We invite our esteemed alumni to contribute to our football operations, particularly in supporting our travel and meal expenses. Here are various ways you can contribute:

1. Monetary Donations: Consider making a financial contribution to our football program, directly impacting the success and well-being of our team.
2. Sponsor a Meal: Alumni can sponsor specific meals during an away game – whether it's Friday night dinner, Saturday breakfast, pregame fuel, or post-game nourishment. Your sponsorship ensures a top-notch dining experience for our team.
3. Alumni Chapter Support: If you reside in a city we are traveling to, we encourage local alumni chapters to provide post-game meals for the team. This can include a variety of options to refuel our players after the game.

Your unwavering support plays a pivotal role in propelling Alcorn State Football to new heights. Together, let's forge a legacy that transcends the field, nurturing the growth and success of our student-athletes. We express our deepest gratitude for your commitment to Alcorn State University and eagerly anticipate achieving greatness together.

For more information on how to contribute, please visit <https://secure.qgiv.com/for/asufevents/>. Please click Tomorrow Club (Football) from the dropdown box under please direct my support. Additionally, you can contact Casey Mock at the Office of Institutional Advancement at (601)877-6296 [foundation@alcorn.edu](mailto:foundation@alcorn.edu).

Thank you for being an integral part of the Alcorn State Football family!

Best regards,

*Cedric Thomas*

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Head Football Coach

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