

April 17, 2023

Statement on behalf of Black Student Body:

“With the 55th anniversary of the Bursar’s Takeover quickly approaching, it has become abundantly clear that the university does not carry concern for its student body to the extent that it claims. It has been 55 years since the Bursar’s Takeover, and most of the B100’s demands remain unmet. Not only do we see remnants of this school’s oppressive past every day through the university’s lack of response to these demands, but we see exactly how these structures’ remaining intact prevents its Black students from realizing the same levels of success as their non-black peers. So, we demand the following from Northwestern officials and administration. If these demands go ignored, as so many have, the student body will organize local and national media attention, protests, walk-outs, sit-ins, and more until we, as students of this institution, are heard.”

Official Demands:

1. An official in person meeting within the next 7 days with President Schill, his immediate staff, a representative from the board of trustees, and the organizers of this event. We demand quarterly meetings of this nature effective immediately. If neglected, we will continue to protest.
2. MSA must consult Black Students before making decisions about the Black House (per the demands of the Bursar’s Takeover 1968). These consultations will occur in the form of quarterly meetings between MSA Staff, such as but not limited to Alejandro Magaña and the Association of Black Leaders. We are demanding full transparency of the decisions that will disproportionately affect us.
3. An immediate 10% increase in funding for Black student-led and centered organizations and an annual increase of 5% over the next 10 years to advance equity for Black students on campus
4. An in-depth review of how the university plans to adjust recruitment and admissions in response to the upcoming 2023 Supreme Court ruling on affirmative action.
5. An immediate end to the harmful policing of physical and digital Black spaces including but not limited to The Black House in its entirety
 - a. Release of NUPD funding and a detailed outline of where funding is being allocated to be released to us before the end of the 2022-2023 academic year

- b. No security in the Black house- rather, continue with the usage of locking doors at 5pm and utilizing wildcard entry
 - c. Racial bias training for all faculty to end profiling of Black students and Evanstonians/Chicagoans as a danger to other students, along with training on how to interact with houseless members of our Evanston community conducted by The Social Justice Education Educators in conjunction with The Center for Diversity and Democracy.
6. An immediate evaluation of the unmet demands of the 1968 Bursar Takeover and an exact plan of how they will be met over the next 10 years. See below.

Original Bursar Demands:

[Taking Action: Bursar's Office Takeover – They Demanded Courageously](#)

Unmet Demands:

Northwestern University present an official statement acknowledging the existence of institutional racism at the University

Increase scholarships for students to avoid students taking on jobs and to reduce student loans

Offer residential colleges for Black students who want to live together

Hire a Black counselor for Black students

Signatures

“There has been too much idle talk about how to solve some of the problems facing Black students here at Northwestern. Indeed, there has been too much talk and too little action in regard to the general racial situation. We are not about to solve America's race problems, if there is In fact a solution; however, we are concerned about the problem as it affects us on campus and in the city of Evanston.

Northwestern was wrong to assume that in bringing us here, we would be able to disassociate ourselves from the injustices, sufferings, and mounting frustration of our people. Like them, we too are tired of being talked about and we are weary of talking to people who cannot or refuse to do anything else but talk. It would be useless to engage In further discussion—there are some things which will never be understood, and even if they were understood, it would make little difference anyway.

These are our demands of the University. We are willing to confer with the administration, but we have no intention of debating or conceding our stand. We have been to the administration before but with very little consequence. We want tangible results, not excuses or even promises. The University either responds to our demands or we have no other alternative but to respond to its lack of response.”

-Black Student Statement and Petition to Northwestern University Administrators, Received Monday, April 22, 1968.

The University has until 5:00 p.m. Friday, April 21, 2023, to notify us of its decision.

COMMENT TO HAVE YOUR NAME OR ORG'S NAME ADDED

Signed,

Student Organizations:

BlackBoard Magazine

For Members Only (FMO)

Black Health and Wellness Collaborative (BHWC)

National Society of Black Engineers (NSBE)
Students Organizing for Labor Rights (SOLR)
Vibrant Colors Collective (VC2)
Out Da Box (ODB)
Northwestern Community Ensemble (NCE)
Black Mentorship Program (BMP)
Eye to Eye, Poetry Collective
STRIVE
Black Formal
Soul4Real Acapella
The Impact Movement at Northwestern
Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers (SHPE)
Students for Justice in Palestine (SJP)
Alianza—The Latinx Student Alliance
Dale Duro Latin Dance Company
Fossil Free Northwestern (FFNU)
Native American and Indigenous Student Alliance (NAISA)
National Association for Music Education (NAfME), NU Student Chapter
African Students Association (ASA)
Ambedkar DuBois Society (ADBS)
Asian Pacific American Coalition (APAC)
Northwestern University Community for Human Rights (NUCHR)
The Subcontinent Project (TSP)
Ballet Folklórico Mexicano de Northwestern: Ritmo de Mis Ancestros
Associated Student Government (ASG)
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