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Washington, D.C. – Today, the **Congressional Bipartisan HBCU Caucus** announced a new weekly podcast, "*The HBCU Caucus Podcast*." Episodes of the podcast are [available at anchor.fm](#), Spotify, and anywhere you get your podcasts.

[The first episode of The HBCU Caucus Podcast is available on Spotify here.](#)

"I'm happy to announce the HBCU Caucus Podcast," said **Congresswoman Alma Adams (NC-12), founder and Co-Chair of the Congressional Bipartisan HBCU Caucus**. "Right now, our HBCUs are having a moment. From Beyoncé's groundbreaking Divine Nine-inspired performance in her Homecoming concert, to Vice President Kamala Harris' election as the first HBCU graduate on a winning presidential ticket, HBCUs are showing up in the culture like never before. The HBCU Caucus Podcast will highlight the importance of HBCU culture, graduates, students, and institutions. I look forward to many exciting episodes!"

The podcast is hosted by **Dr. Jennifer Stimpson** and produced by **Anissa Caldwell**, both HBCU graduates. The first episode of the podcast features Stimpson as well as special guests **Suzanne Walsh, J.D.**, President of Bennett College; **Clay Armbrister, J.D.**, President of Johnson C. Smith University, and Congresswoman Adams.

Congresswoman Alma Adams represents North Carolina's 12th Congressional District (Charlotte) and serves as Vice Chair of the House Committee on Agriculture. Additionally, she serves on the House Financial Services Committee and the House Education & Labor Committee, where she serves as Chair of the Workforce

Protections Subcommittee. In 2015, she founded the first bipartisan Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) Caucus in Congress.

Blending science, substance, and style, **Dr. Jennifer Stimpson** is a veteran science teacher, entrepreneur, and community leader, serving students through practice and innovative programming. Jennifer stands by the philosophy that teachers inspire students to become active lifelong learners. Jennifer, an Albert Einstein Distinguished Educator and Black female scientist, an HBCU, Big 12, and Ivy League alumna, has a statue of her likeness honoring her STEM education career and a congressional record acknowledging her work developing biofuel. Dr. Stimpson's global vision of promoting science literacy for middle school girls is reflected in her community, civic and public mission, and advocacy to promote justice in science education. Her fellowship experience on Capitol Hill has advanced state and federal STEM education policy. With sharpened wit and wisdom, Jennifer introduces girls to STEM wonders and possibilities, inspiring them to become STEMinist women. Her community service has garnered local, state, and international awards and recognition.

Anissa Caldwell Washington is an HBCU-trained strategic communicator, who presently serves as Press Assistant in the office of Congresswoman Alma S. Adams, Ph.D. Anissa is a graduate of Morgan State University's School of Global Journalism and Communication and an Organizational Communications Master's candidate at Bowie State University. Through what she describes as an act of divine intervention, she joined the Godmother of HBCUs' team in April of 2020.

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