The positive educational and economic impact of West Virginia’s HBCUs is large and lasting. The numbers (based on 2016 data) tell the story.

**KEY STATS:**
- HBCUs comprise **10%** of the four-year institutions in the state
- Enroll **11%** of all black undergraduates at public and private four-year institutions
- Award **11%** of all bachelor’s degrees earned by black students

**ENROLLMENT:**
- **455**: Total number of black undergraduates enrolled at an HBCU in the state
- **28%**: Percentage of black male undergraduates enrolled at a four-year HBCU in West Virginia
- **29%**: Percentage of black female undergraduates enrolled at a four-year HBCU in West Virginia

**ECONOMIC IMPACT***:
- Total economic impact: West Virginia’s two HBCUs generate **$142 million** in total economic impact.
- Total employment impact: West Virginia’s two HBCUs generate **1,366 jobs** for their local and regional economy.
- Total lifetime earnings for graduates: The **761** West Virginia HBCU graduates in 2014 can expect total earnings of **$1.9 billion** over their lifetimes.

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