North Carolina Agriculture and Technical State University students, Kayla Jefferson, Gregory Stewart, and Patrick Stanley have been awarded grants from the Administration of the Dwight David Eisenhower Transportation Fellowship Program (DDETFP). The DDETFP is intended to attract, enhance, and retain the nation’s brightest minds and top talent to transportation management, research and engineering professions. The undergraduate Eisenhower HBCU Fellowship is awarded on the basis of merit including: academic records, class standing, GPA, transcripts, transportation work experience, and recommendations.

Kayla Jefferson, a senior in supply chain management, had these thoughts:

“The Dwight D. Eisenhower Transportation Fellowship Scholarship allows me to continue my education without stressing about tuition. It means I’ll be able to attend a transportation conference alongside other bright students like myself. It furthers me towards my goal of becoming a Chief Operating Officer in the future. All of these things are made easier and more attainable by this grant. I thank you so much. This award could not have come at a better time in my educational career.”

Gregory Stewart, a senior in Finance and Supply Chain Management said:

“I am very thankful to be a recipient of this grant. With tuition rising almost every year, this award will help me and my family financially tremendously. Not only will it defray the cost of college tuition, but it will also decrease the amount of financial stress that college has put on my family. This grant will help further my education and allow me to get one step closer to reaching my career goal of becoming a supply chain analyst.”

Patrick Stanley, a supply chain management senior said:

“This grant is very important to me. The fellowship will give me the opportunity to gain more experience with transportation and research. Supply chains always face the challenge of transporting raw materials for production and finished products efficiently and effectively. I want to learn more about the transportation network, infrastructure, and policies. After graduation, I wish to pursue employment as transportation analyst or planner with a private carrier or the government.”