

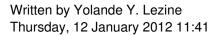
Asberry Ready To Keep TSU Football In A Classy Outlook

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by Forward Times Sports Editor

The Texas Southern University Football program continued to move in a positive direction to steer them away from various problems from the past as they named Darrell Asberry as the 15th head coach in Tigers football history.

The former head coach from Shaw University in Raleigh, North Carolina, spent five seasons there, posting a 40-25 overall and a 30-13 record in conference play. He captured 3 CIAA championships in 5 seasons, and his teams ranked at the top in the nation both offensively and defensively.



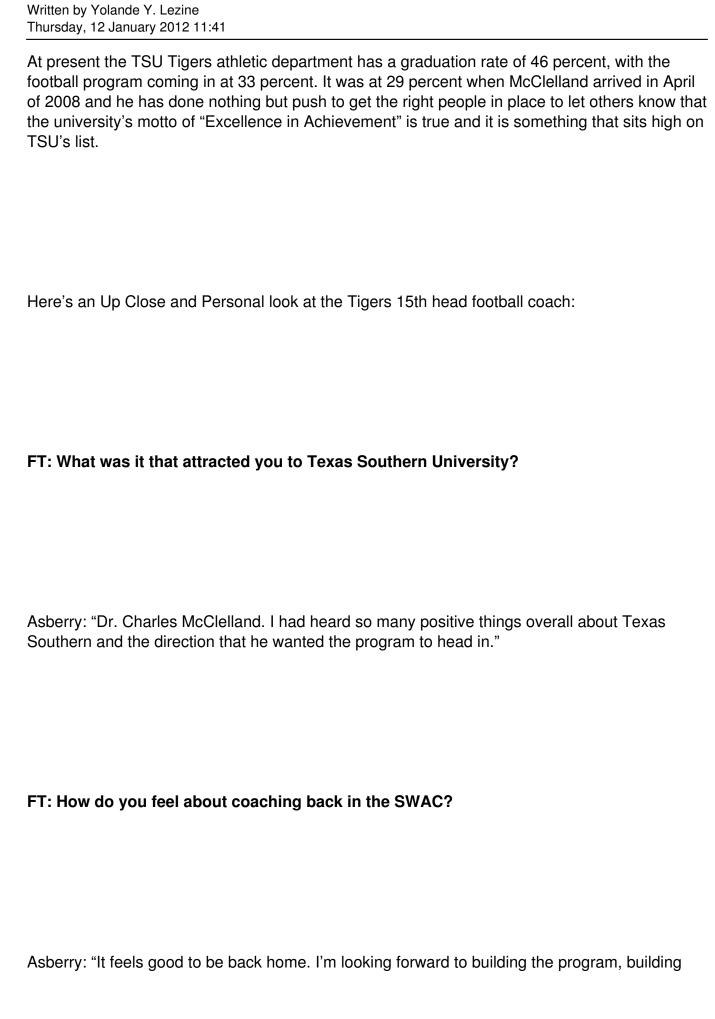
"It feels great to be back home, "Coach Asberry said in an exclusive interview with the Houston Forward Times Newspaper. "I am excited about coaching at Texas Southern University and I'm looking forward to doing three things, building the program, building the players and turning them into great young men, both on and off the field, and winning championships."

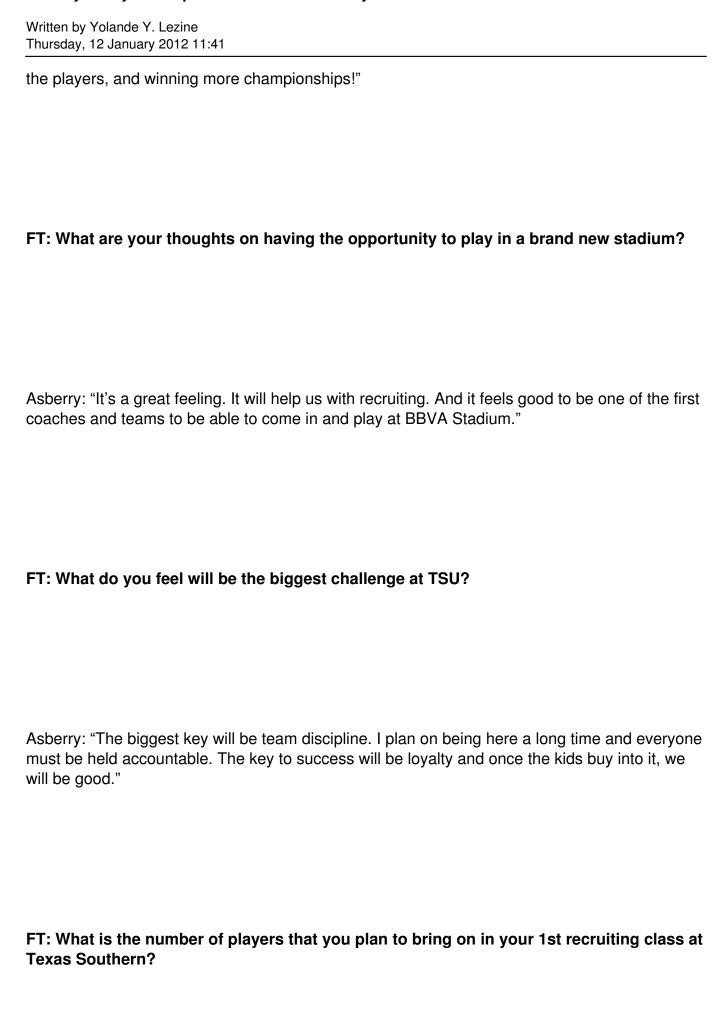
Asberry, a native of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, served as an offensive coordinator at North Carolina Central, Albany State and Jackson. He played quarterback for the Tigers at Jackson State, where he received a bachelor's of science degree in Criminal Justice.

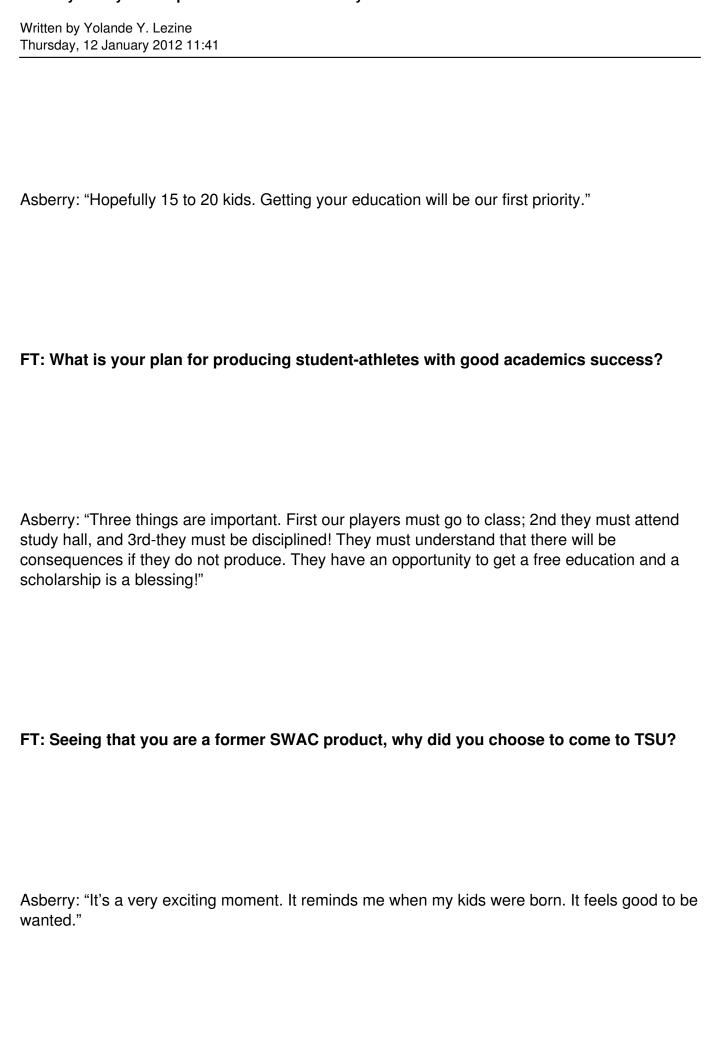
His career highlights include: 3 CIAA Football Championship Titles: 2007, 2008, and 2009 (First Back to Back in School History), Western Division Championship Titles: 2007, 2008 and 2010; he produced two CIAA Defensive Players of the Year and one AFCA All-American; Graduated 35 players in 2007-2009; Graduated 18 players from 2010-11; 3-Time Pigskin Club of Washington, DC-CIAA Coach of the Year (2007, 2008, and 2010), 2010 100% Wrong Club Coach of the Year; 4-year overall record of 34-10 and Conference record of 27-4; and in 2008 Shaw ranked #1 in NCAA Division II in Rushing Defense, Tackles for Loss, Sacks and Total Defense, and they also placed 6th in NCAA in scoring offense with 42 points per game.

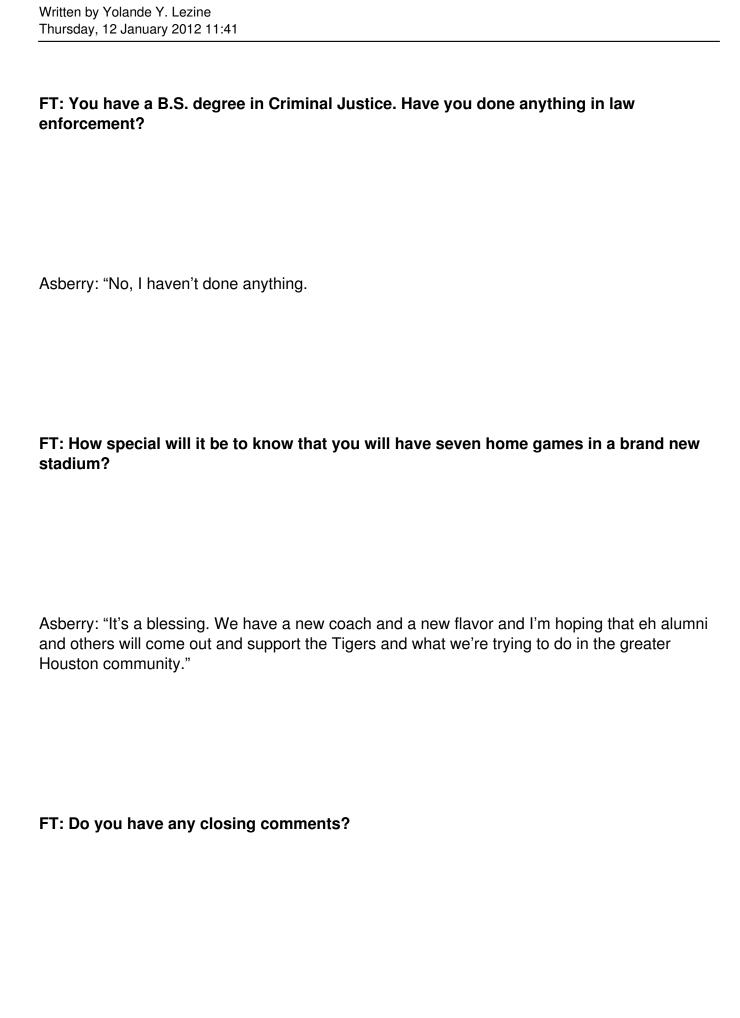
Asberry was hired by TSU on December 22, 2011 after producing a very successful track record with the Bears. TSU claimed its last conference championship just a season ago when it went 9-3 en route to winning the Southwestern Athletic Conference championship under former coach Johnnie Cole in 2010. A key part of that championship was defensive coordinator Kevin Ramsey, who Asberry retained on the staff. Coach Ramsey led the Tigers to a 4-7 record in an interim role as head coach this past season after being promoted April 1, 2011 to replaced Cole, who was relieved of his duties amid an ongoing NCAA investigation into possible violations.











Restaurant: Houston's Restaurant

Written by Yolande Y. Lezine Thursday, 12 January 2012 11:41 Asberry: "I would like to thank Dr. Charles McClelland, my mom, Mrs. Yvonne Asberry, who has always had my best interest at heart! I left home in 1990 and I never been back. Now I'm only four hours away." Coach Darrell Asberry's Favorites: Hometown: Baton Rouge, Louisiana Age: 39 Date of Birth: February 12th Food: Pork Chops Movie: "Remember the Titans Book: "Uncommon Life" written by Tony Dungy Color: White

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Thursday, 12 January 2012 11:41 Vacation Spot: Jamica Musical Artist: Frankie Beverly and Maze Actor: Denzel Washington Actress: Halle Berry Hobby: Traveling T.V. Show: Martin Name one thing that no one knows about you? "I like to cook". Children: 2 Daughters: Arabria and Armarni 1 Son: Armariyan