A Decade of Progress

2002-2003 Highlights

JSU achieved an “A” rating by Standard & Poor’s for the General Tuition and Fee Bond Issue. The rating was awarded following a visit by Standard & Poor’s representatives coordinated by JSU’s financial advisors Blount Parrish Investment Bankers.

Enrollment at JSU is at an all-time high with record enrollment in all areas. Total enrollment is 8,930, undergraduate enrollment is 7,323 and graduate enrollment is 1,607.

The use of Blackboard has now exceeded 3,000 users, which has led to the need for a system upgrade.

Houston Cole Library implemented “Universal Borrowing”, which provides for direct book loans from the University of Alabama, UAB, Auburn University and AUM. JSU students can check out books from those libraries and have the books delivered to JSU or distance learning students can check out books directly from those libraries.

A new transmitter for JSU’s radio station 92J was put into use on Chimney Peak. This transmitter replaces one that was over 30 years old.

JSU purchased the 2nd floor of the Joe M. Ford Economic Development Center on the Gadsden State Campus. JSU will be able to use the entire 2nd floor for classes.

The JSU Police Department has acquired a NCIC terminal for use in the daily policing around campus. The terminal is connected to the FBI National Crime Information Center, a nationwide information system dedicated to serving and supporting criminal justice agencies. The system is used during traffic stops to identify and verify driver information and by parking enforcement officers to identify the owners of unregistered vehicles parked on campus.

JSU Police joined the AMBER Alert partnership.

The source of information listed is from various departmental reports.