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Tops Bar-B-Q & Burgers expands its footprint in the Mid-South with 19th location in Jonesboro, Arkansas

MEMPHIS, Tenn., December 19, 2025 – Tops Bar-B-Q & Burgers announced the company is continuing to expand its Bar-B-Q and Burger footprint in the Mid-South as it prepares to celebrate the opening of its 19th location in Jonesboro, Arkansas. The new restaurant, located at 411 E. Johnson Avenue, is targeting a Grand Opening Celebration January 15–17, with construction nearing final stages and hiring and training currently underway.

The new restaurant will feature all the staples that Tops has offered for more than 73 years across the Mid-South, including authentic Memphis-style bar-b-q, award-winning burgers, classic sides and desserts, and limited-time menu offerings. The location will also include a drive-through window to deliver fast, quality meals at a great value. Popular menu favorites include the Tops Original Pork Shoulder Sandwich and the Original Cheeseburger.

“We’ve heard from Tops fans in and around Jonesboro for years asking us to bring Tops to their city, and we’re excited to finally make that happen,” said Randy Hough, CEO of Tops Bar-B-Q & Burgers. “Jonesboro’s strong sense of community and the pride that comes with being home to Arkansas State University make it a great fit for Tops. As we get ready to open, we’re excited to bring our A-game, support the local community, and serve great food at a great value — Go Red Wolves.”

Additional details about the January 15–17 Grand Opening Celebration will be announced as plans are finalized.

Tops Bar-B-Q & Burgers can be found online at: <https://topsbarbq.com/>



Exterior of Tops Bar-B-Q & Burgers-Jonesboro, Arkansas

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There’s nothing like a classic burger before and after the game!

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About Tops Bar-B-Q & Burgers: Founded in 1952, Tops Bar-B-Q serves slow-smoked, real pit Memphis-style barbecue and fresh ground cooked-to-order flat-top burgers in a convenient, quick-serve setting at 19 locations across the Mid-South, including Memphis, Tennessee; Marion, Arkansas; Jonesboro, Arkansas; Southaven, Mississippi; Olive Branch, Mississippi; and now Corinth, Mississippi. Tops also offers full-service catering for larger groups and events.

For more information visit: TopsBarBQ.com.

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Tops Original Pork Shoulder Sandwich



Tops Double Cheeseburger



Tops Half Rack Rib Plate



Tops Bar-B-Q Family Pack

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Memphis guard Dug McDaniel earns an American Conference Honorable Mention

IRVING, Texas – Memphis guard Dug McDaniel earned American Conference Honorable Mention recognition following a standout performance that powered the Tigers to an 88-67 victory over Alabama State last week at FedExForum, the league office announced Monday.

McDaniel delivered one of the most efficient shooting nights of his career, scoring a game-high 23 points while tying a career best with seven made three-pointers. He finished 7-of-12 from beyond the arc, added three assists and two steals, while setting the tone for Memphis’ most complete offensive performance of the season.

The victory snapped a three-game skid for the Tigers (5-7), who closed nonconference play on a high note heading into the



Dug McDaniel

start of league action. Playing their second game in three days, Memphis posted season highs in both shooting efficiency and perimeter production, finishing 50.8 percent from the floor (32-of-63) and 43.3 percent from three-point range while knocking

down 13 triples.

McDaniel scored 14 points in the first half as Memphis jumped out to a 42-33 halftime lead, then helped ignite an 8-0 run to open the second half that pushed the margin to as many as 23 points.

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The Tigers never allowed Alabama State to close within 15 points after the break.

The senior’s seven made three-pointers are tied for the fifth-most in a single game in program history and marked his 12th career 20-point outing.

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The Jay Walker Show is a daily talk platform blending culture, real-life perspective, and unfiltered conversation. Known for headline-making moments and community-driven storytelling, the show continues to grow as a premier destination for listeners seeking truth, humor, and impact.