

Edgewood College: President announces new cabinet position, task force, to combat racism

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Madison, Wis. (June 19, 2020) – Dr. Andrew Manion, President of Edgewood College, today announced the creation of a new leadership position: Vice President for Mission, Values, and Inclusion. The new V.P. will oversee all institutional efforts that express the Dominican Catholic mission and values of Edgewood College. A national search will commence immediately.

“The connection between our mission and our commitment to inclusion is seamless,” President Manion said. “This position will reinforce our commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion, which flows from our mission and values.”

President Manion also marks Juneteenth with the creation of the President’s Task Force to Eradicate Racism at Edgewood College. The charge of this task force will be to develop a plan with actionable steps to identify, reduce, and ultimately eliminate racism at Edgewood College. Two members of the faculty have agreed to co-chair the group, which will begin its work this summer. Task force members will include members of the faculty and staff, students, Trustees, and members of the Greater Madison community.

“While I am inspired by the demonstration last week with our community speaking out for justice and racial equality, I was a little nervous that we were telling the world what to do, when we still have some work to do ourselves,” Manion said. “We will continue to honor the legacy we have inherited from the Dominican Sisters of Sinsinawa, and rise to the challenge of working to eradicate the disease of racism in our community, and beyond.”

About Edgewood College

Located in Madison, Wis., Edgewood College is a liberal arts Catholic college in the Dominican tradition. We serve approximately 2,000 undergraduate and graduate students. The College offers more than 40 academic and professional programs, including master's degrees in business, education, and nursing, and doctoral degrees in educational leadership and nursing practice. For more information about Edgewood College, please visit www.edgewood.edu, or call Ed Taylor in Marketing & Strategic Communications at 608-663-2333.