

President Daniels announces retirement



Yesterday, the President's Office sent an email informing employees that President Daniels' intent to retire. Below is the full message. You can also read more details in the [Madison College news story](#).

Dear faculty and staff,

It is with great respect that I inform you of my intention to retire from Madison College, effective June 30, 2024. Serving as Madison College's President these past eleven years has truly been an honor.

It's been a privilege to work alongside each of you as we've strengthened this institution's vision and strived to fulfill our mission. I have spent considerable time reflecting on the transformative work we have done together, and the steady, meaningful progress we have made.

We've established Madison College as an engine of innovation, a driver of economic impact, and a collaborator in far-reaching community and educational partnerships. We've significantly changed the physical landscape of our facilities and reshaped the perception of a high-quality, community college experience.

Together, we've instituted a shared governance model and philosophy for participatory decision-making practices, and we have continued to maintain our institution's strong fiscal integrity. And, in listening to our community's greatest need, we championed and advocated for an expanded presence – the Goodman South Campus – to intentionally serve and support our south Madison community.

We've invested time and care into the potential and promise of our students, and we continue to redefine the conventional definition of success to ensure every student finds their own path within our educational programs, supported by our comprehensive wrap-around services. We've expanded our program and apprenticeship offerings, crafted new curricula to meet the needs of a changing workforce, and signed numerous new transfer agreements with four-year colleges and universities.

We responded to the extraordinary task of providing high-quality, accessible educational opportunities amidst a pandemic, while also navigating how to show up for and care for ourselves and each other. And we remained steadfast, even in the most challenging and tumultuous of societal moments, to our unwavering commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion.

Madison College stands head and shoulders above most, and each of you are exceptional in the work you do and how you serve. I am filled with optimism, and I believe Madison College's best days are ahead.

Our District Board of Trustees and college leadership are in forward-thinking and capable hands, and our commitment to student success is stronger than ever. Both will inform and inspire our Vision 2030 planning over this coming year, and I look forward to hearing your voices and ideas as the next chapter of Madison College takes shape.

In the coming weeks, the board will begin the process of a national search for Madison College's next president. In the meantime, we have important work ahead of us this academic year, and I look forward to being fully engaged and in service to this institution, our students and each of you.

Sincerely,

Jack E. Daniels III, Ph.D.
President
Madison College



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