



Office of the President

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Daemen College
Faculty, Staff and Students

Dear Colleagues,

I hope you are doing well and continuing to stay safe.

Earlier today Governor Cuomo issued an Executive Order recognizing Juneteenth as a holiday for state employees, in recognition of the official emancipation of African Americans throughout the United States. Although Daemen College is a private institution and not bound by this order, the college recognizes the significance of this historic day and supports observing the date of Juneteenth as a holiday. I am pleased to have the support of the Senate leadership to discuss the possibility of making this an annual holiday on the academic calendar.

My best wishes to you and your family.

Cordially,

Gary A. Olson
President