

2018 Community Leader Education Award



Katherine S. Conway-Turner, Ph.D.

Kate is the 9th President of Buffalo State College serving since 2014. Dedicated to providing world class opportunities to students of all backgrounds, she has led the school in many endeavors to expand its offerings and strengthen its bonds within the region. Her vision of the school as "Buffalo's College" has taken hold, and through housing improvements, new recruitment efforts and expanded development opportunities, the college continues to become more engaged with the larger WNY community than ever before.

Kate is a gifted educator who has served with distinction as both a professor and administrator. She is a published author in the field of social psychology, and gives of herself to many professional organizations and non-profit agencies. More than anything, it is her commitment to service that sets her apart as an educational leader. As a Board Member and volunteer with the Rochester-based organization HOPE, she regularly travels to Haiti to assist people with their educational, medical, and community development needs. At Buff State, she created the "Bengals Day to Care" campaign which provides opportunities for people to give back, and culminates in an annual service day that links over 650 Buff State community members with local organizations.

For her dedication to providing outstanding educational and personal development experiences to all of her students, the NFJC proudly presents Dr. Katherine S. Conway-Turner with the 2018 Community Leader Award in Education.



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