The Board of Trustees of The City University of New York and the Medgar Evers College Presidential Search Committee invite nominations and applications for the position of President of Medgar Evers College. After serving the College with distinction for 20 years, President Edison O. Jackson has announced his retirement.

The President serves as the chief academic and administrative officer, reporting to the Chancellor and working within policy set by the CUNY Board of Trustees.

Established in 1970 and named for the martyred civil rights leader Medgar Wiley Evers, Medgar Evers College provides the Central Brooklyn community residents and beyond with high quality, professional, career-oriented undergraduate degree programs in conjunction with a liberal arts education. Known for its motto: “Creating Success, One Student at a Time”, Medgar Evers has a distinguished and dedicated faculty and alumni/ae. The College is committed to providing access, facilitating learning, and ensuring the success of its students in the pursuit of their educational, career and personal goals.

The College has a full-time faculty of 190 and student enrollment is 6200. Medgar Evers College’s current operating budget is $45 million, which is funded through New York State and City tax-levy appropriations and student tuition. Funding for sponsored research in 2008 exceeded $10 million. Medgar Evers recently occupied its 40,000 sq. ft. School of Business & Student Services Building, and construction on the Academic Complex I building, the future home of the School of Science, Health and Technology, is well underway.

The Chancellor and the College seek a dynamic, visionary leader, noted for personal and professional integrity, to inspire students, work well with the faculty, engage its distinguished alumni, and guide the institution to even greater heights.

Preferred qualifications for the position include:

- A track record of senior management success in an institution of higher education or institution of comparable scope, with proven strengths in strategic planning, budgeting and management;
- An earned doctorate, university-level teaching experience, and a record of scholarly achievement and/or professional distinction;
- A commitment to the College’s mission to provide a quality education to a multi-cultural, multi-ethnic student body, and to building an inclusive and diverse community fully engaged with the rich cultural, ethnic, religious and economic pluralism of New York City;
- Demonstrated leadership in developing quality academic programs and supporting a distinguished faculty in an environment of shared governance;
- A commitment to enhancing the quality of student life and strengthening the delivery of services to an urban and diverse student body;
- A strong record of success in attracting financial support from foundations, corporations, governmental sources and private donors;
- The capacity to present the College’s mission and programs to multiple local, national and international constituencies, including alumni/ae, the community, and legislative and other governmental bodies; and
- A proven track record of support for technological innovations.

The position is available on or before September 1, 2009. Salary and benefits are competitive. The review of applications will begin immediately and will continue until the position is filled. Submission of applications is encouraged by April 7th. Please visit Medgar Evers College on its web site at www.mec.cuny.edu for additional information.

Applications: Applicants should send (1) a letter expressing their interest in the position that addresses and demonstrates how they meet the Search Committee’s preferred qualifications, (2) their curriculum vitae, and (3) the names of eight references (two each: superiors, subordinates, faculty members, and community/business leaders). References will not be contacted without the applicant’s prior permission. Please submit an electronic version of application to searches@acct.org.

Nominations: Nominators should send a letter of nomination and, if possible, the nominee’s curriculum vitae. Applications and nominations should be sent to: Ms. Dolly Martinez, Executive Director, Office of Executive Search and Evaluation, The City University of New York, 535 East 80th Street, 3rd Floor, New York, N.Y. 10075, Attn: Medgar Evers College Presidential Search.

All inquiries, nominations and applications will be held in the strictest confidence.

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CUNY is a EO/AA/IRCA/ADA Employer with a strong commitment to racial, cultural and ethnic diversity. The Search Committee actively seeks and encourages nominations and applications from men and women of all races and ethnic backgrounds.