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Dr. Jermaine Whirl will receive a Paragon Award for New Presidents from Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society

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Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society (PTK) will recognize Dr. Jermaine Whirl, President of Augusta Technical College, with the Paragon Award for New Presidents during PTK Catalyst 2023, the Society's annual convention in Columbus, Ohio.



To be eligible for this award, college presidents and CEOs are new in their role having served less than 3 years. Recipients are nominated by students on their campus and are only eligible to receive the award once. Dr. Whirl and 27 other college presidents being recognized were selected from among 406 college presidents, chancellors, and CEOs eligible to receive this award.

The award recognizes college presidents who have shown support of student success initiatives leading to stronger pathways to completion, transfer, and employment. They have taken an active interest in supporting high-achieving students and developing student leaders on campus. "These college presidents have students-first leadership styles and made it a priority to support student success both inside and outside the classroom," says Phi Theta Kappa President and CEO Dr. Lynn Tincher-Ladner, "This award is special because it comes directly from the students, and it is evidence of the gratitude they feel for the support for them and students like them."

"I'm truly honored to receive this recognition that was voted on by our students. Having been a student inductee of Phi Theta Kappa years ago, this recognition comes full circle for me. Thus, it's easy for me to support our students in their pursuit of academic excellence and service to our community," said Dr. Jermaine Whirl.



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Phi Theta Kappa is the premier honor society recognizing the academic achievement of students at associate degree-granting colleges and helping them to grow as scholars and leaders. The Society is made up of more than 3.8 million members and nearly 1,300 chapters in 11 countries, with approximately 240,000 active members in the nation's colleges. Learn more at ptk.org.

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