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Lindenwood University has been singled out for recognition in the "Great Colleges to Work For" report assembled by the Chronicle of Higher Education. The results of the study were released July 25, 2011, in the Chronicle's fourth annual report on "The Academic Workplace" and were derived from a survey of more than 41,000 employees at 247 colleges and universities in the United States.

Lindenwood was singled out in the study with recognition in the areas of collaborative governance, teaching environment, job satisfaction, confidence in senior leadership, supervisor/department chair relationship, and respect and appreciation. Additionally, the University was one of 30 four-year schools nationwide singled out in a new feature of the report, the "Honor Roll," which recognizes institutions that scored well across multiple areas of recognition.

Employees were asked to respond to 60 statements about their institutions on a five-point scale. The overall assessment was based primarily on the surveys and also on an institutional audit that captured the demographics and workplace policies and practices of each institution.

"This recognition from the Chronicle of Higher Education's 'Great Colleges to Work For' survey speaks volumes about the ethos of collegiality and other-centeredness at Lindenwood University," said Lindenwood President James D. Evans, Ph.D. "The campus community, as a whole, has been working to optimize a work climate of mutual support and respect here, and the high marks shown by this year's survey validate the success of our collective effort. Congratulations to everyone who learns, teaches, and serves at this extraordinary educational institution."

Dr. Richard Boyle, vice president for human resources at Lindenwood, said the recognition is a reflection of the school's efforts to foster a healthy work environment at the university.

"Dr. Evans had set the expectation that Lindenwood would be a place where all employees feel valued, respected, and appreciated," said Boyle. "It's nice to see an organization like the Chronicle of Higher Education recognizes those efforts. This is very exciting for us."