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Nelson is Selected by President George Bush to Serve on Prestigious Advisory Board

Lincoln University President Dr. Ivory V. Nelson has been appointed by President George Bush to serve on the President's Board of Advisors on Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU).

The board advises the president and the secretary of education on public and private issues relating to HBCUs. It meets four times a year, with its first meeting scheduled for February in Washington, DC.

"It is indeed an honor to serve on such an important board," Dr. Nelson said. "I look forward to working with other board members in promoting the needs of historically black colleges."

Dr. Nelson, who has served on several boards that focus on HBCU issues, sees this appointment as a way that he can help promote collegiality among colleges and improve on the contacts between colleges and funding agencies.

The President's Board of Advisors on Historically Black Colleges and Universities, which is comprised of 18 members, was established in 1989 as part of the White House Initiative on Historically Black Colleges and Universities.

Other university officials appointed to the board include Dr. Beverly Daniel Tatum of Spelman College, Dr. Delbert Baker of Oakwood College, and Dr. Belinda Anderson of Virginia Union University.

Dr. Nelson most recently was the recipient of the Education Leadership Award presented by the Thurgood Marshall Scholarship Fund. It is the organization's highest honor given to a sitting president of a public historically black college or university.

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