



October 2, 2019

Dear President Gevelinger, Dr. Harbach, Sr. Hopkins, Associate Vice President Klink, and Dr. Cobb-Sheehan,

My name is Katie Lodjic and I am the National Field Coordinator for Students for Life Action, which is the C4 arm of Students for Life of America. I am working to ensure that Catholic and Christian schools are not promoting Planned Parenthood or other abortion corporations. It has come to our attention that Edgewood College is partnering with or promoting Planned Parenthood. We hope that you will take our comments into consideration and we kindly ask for your response by Tuesday, October 15th, 2019.

We have identified the following problem:

- Planned Parenthood is listed twice as a resource on the Off-Campus Wellness Resources List on the Counseling webpage: <https://counseling.edgewood.edu/.../Off-Campus%20Wellness%20Resources.docx>

Catholic schools, like Edgewood College, should be places where students are educated to respect the dignity of human life. By promoting Planned Parenthood, Edgewood is allowing the students in its care to be educated by the nation's largest abortion vendor that actively tells students that killing an innocent baby is fine. This is going against the very principles that Edgewood College stands for as a Catholic university. In case you were not aware, Planned Parenthood committed over 332,757 abortions last year alone ^[1], and at least 100 of their facilities were found guilty of health, safety, and privacy violations in the last 10 years ^[2]. You can find out more at www.plannedparenthoodtruth.org.

Planned Parenthood has no place on a Catholic campus. Edgewood College should be protecting students and the most innocent members of society from dangerous organizations like Planned Parenthood. Edgewood should be a voice that exposes this corrupt organization, not one that supports them.

As you may imagine, the pro-life students on campus can feel alienated and confused since Edgewood is supporting the abortion industry. In order to follow Christ and the school's mission and identity statements more fully, we respectfully ask that Edgewood College:

1. Remove Planned Parenthood from the list of resources on the Off-Campus Wellness Resources page.
2. Be part of the solution. Develop a community partnership with the First Care Clinic (<https://firstcareclinic.org/>), Women's Care Center (<http://www.womenscarecenter.org/locations/madison/>), or Our Lady of Hope Clinic (<https://www.ourladyofhopeclinic.org/>). These are life-affirming pregnancy centers that provide free ultrasounds, pregnancy tests, STI screenings, and parental education. You can start by adding links to their organizations on your website.

We look forward to working with you in a private manner to resolve this issue before it becomes public. Please let me know a good time we can discuss how to further advance the pro-life cause on your campus, as well as how you are making progress on our requests. We are happy to help! We kindly ask for a response by Tuesday, October 15th, 2019.

Sincerely,

Katie Lodjic

National Field Director, Students for Life Action

^[1] https://www.plannedparenthood.org/uploads/filer_public/80/d7/80d7d7c7-977c-4036-9c61-b3801741b441/190118-annualreport18-p01.pdf

^[2] www.checkmyclinic.org