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ISU's residential education director recognized

Indiana State University Director of Residential Education Ardell Sanders has been recognized by the Association of College and University Housing Officers - International among its "2020 Heroes."

According to **ACUHO-I**, the Heroes Program applauds the efforts of campus professionals who, during this challenging period, "have displayed leadership within their organizations and the profession as a whole, gone above and beyond their traditional scope of work to ensure the health and safety of their communities (students, staff, etc.), and tirelessly advocated for their community members."

Sanders' **nomination** stated: "In the late spring/early summer, Ardell took it upon himself to research and become the in-house expert on PPE gear. He worked with local volunteers to 3-D



print the appropriate masks to make sure our team had the appropriate equipment for summer duty and fall semester needs."

"As we progressed to fall and CDC guidelines changed, Ardell was instrumental in the refinement of our isolation/quarantine protocol. He benchmarked, researched, and practiced the protocol until it was fine-tuned and ready to go. He actively spoke out about the needs our team had for staffing, PPE gear, and tirelessly worked on updating duty protocols and procedures to make sure our team was safe," Dr. Amanda Knerr, Executive Director of Residential Life wrote in the nomination.

Sanders has also been assisting students in isolation and quarantine.

"Ardell has shown great compassion with students who are fearfully going into quarantine or isolation. He has calmed down worried parents. ...He has delivered groceries. He has also worked tirelessly with our contact tracing team to make sure students have accurate dates to leave isolation and quarantine," Knerr wrote.

"Ardell has demonstrated throughout this entire pandemic that at Indiana State University we take care of and protect our team so that we have the capacity to take care of and protect our students. Ardell has shown tremendous compassion, empathy, and strength as we have navigated this situation. Our team and our students trust him completely."

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