HHP statement on racism

The College of Health and Human Performance at East Carolina University holds the position that racism exists, at a systemic and individual level, in ways that are explicit and implicit in our everyday lives. Racism degrades the value of human life, is an afront to the values and morals of our society, and must be eliminated. As a College, we are dedicated to enhancing the health and well-being of individuals, families, and communities. Racism stands in opposition to our work. We cannot ignore the racial inequities in well-being that people experience regionally and nationally, nor can we ignore ways in which we have fallen short of our ideals in our own daily practices or within our campus community.

We are committed to actively practicing anti-racism in our College and in how we serve our community. We insist that we speak out against racism and white supremacy, in our professional organizations and in the communities where we work and live. We are dedicated to making HHP a community in which all members feel safe, included, valued, and supported. We pledge to commit to educating and equipping ourselves and our students with anti-racist practices as they go into the world as professionals in a diverse workforce.