

## OSU's Carter displayed leadership

Ohio State University President Ted Carter deserves credit for his handling of recent anti-Israel protests on campus. Carter successfully upheld students' free-speech rights while ensuring they did not descend into violence and chaos.



Because of his leadership, we did not see on OSU's campus the same embarrassing, dangerous displays of anti-Semitism as we did at many other universities across the country.

Carter faced some harsh criticism, including from current and former staff. One former professor of social work said Carter employed a “goon squad” – referencing the police – in an effort to quash protestors' ability to speak freely.

**OSU president: 'What occurred on our campus on April 25 was not about limiting free speech'**

In reality, Carter remained true to the law and university policy in not allowing encampments and upholding campus rules regarding space. Furthermore, these rules were clearly articulated to the student body prior to the ensuing demonstrations. Nonetheless, on April 25, hundreds of individuals swarmed the campus and began setting up encampments.

**Opinion: Shameful Ted Carter sanctioned an armed invasion, putting Ohio State students in harm's way**

Carter's handling of this situation bodes well for the future of the university and lifts Ohio State above institutions like Harvard, Columbia and UCLA. Thanks to his actions, Buckeyes around the world can proudly look at Ohio State as a place with a world-class cancer center, world-class research facilities and world-class leadership.

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