STATEMENT OF IDENTITY
Wartburg College is a selective liberal arts college of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA), internationally recognized for community engagement. Primarily focused on residential undergraduate education, the college offers degree programs in the arts and sciences and in the professions to help students discern and claim their callings.

THE WARTBURG COLLEGE SEAL
The seal of Wartburg College is the Luther rose, which Martin Luther used as a symbol of his beliefs. The cross at the center of a heart illustrates Luther’s conviction that Christians live by faith in Jesus Christ. The rose flowering around the heart represents the peace and joy that result from such faith. The outer ring, a circle without beginning or end, is a reminder that God’s gifts and blessings are everlasting.

WARTBURG VISION STATEMENT
Wartburg College is called to be the leading institution in education of the whole person. Together, we create an inclusive community combining diverse curricular and co-curricular experiences to prepare students to be resilient leaders of positive change through service in a complex world.
Wartburg distinguishes its educational approach through the Lutheran theological pattern of rejecting dualistic thinking in favor of holding apparently contradictory things together in a creative tension. These dynamic interactions can be expressed as:

• A dedication to the liberal arts and a concern for usefulness and careers;
• A rigorous academic program and an emphasis on “living your learning;”
• A commitment to leadership and a tradition of service to others;
• A spirit of inquiry and exploration and a foundation of faith and values;
• A vigorous global outreach and strong Midwestern roots;
• A focus on the future and appreciation of the past.

WARTBURG VALUES
Pursuing excellence       Inspiring integrity
Building on our legacy   Promoting stewardship
Strengthening community  Deepening engagement

These outcome statements define the expectations of a Wartburg education and provide the benchmarks against which the College holds itself accountable.