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To SUNY Poly Faculty, Students, and Staff:

With 2021 having concluded, and as we look ahead to another exciting year of educational and research opportunities at SUNY Poly, I am proud to share my incredible gratitude for the work you undertake each day, making our institution a globally renowned higher education leader. It has been an incredible personal and professional experience for me to lead SUNY Poly since joining one year ago, and I continue to be proud of and humbled by the work we all do, in service of our students and our fellow citizens.

Together, we can point to numerous accomplishments in 2021. In addition to the [2020-2021 academic year annual report](#) I recently shared with you, I am also thrilled to provide a link to this [video showcasing SUNY Poly's 2021 academic, research, athletic, and outreach highlights](#), including:

- SUNY Poly continues to show strong *U.S. News & World Report* rankings. We were named 12th for its 2021 list of Best Colleges in the Regional Universities North category. *U.S. News* also ranked SUNY Poly 2nd for “Top Public Schools,” 10th for “Social Mobility,” 5th for “Best Colleges for Veterans” as well as “Best Value Colleges,” all in the same Regional Universities North category.
- Eleven students received the Wolfspeed Scholarship.
- Partnerships with Onondaga Community College and Hudson Valley Community College will help streamline student educational pathway options.
- Cutting-edge research and workforce development opportunities continue with our partners, including Wolfspeed, TEL Technology Center, America, LLC, GlobalFoundries, IBM, Air Force Research Laboratory-Information Directorate, and Griffiss Institute.
- Faculty and student research and accomplishments from each college are also showcased.

In addition, I want to share that as we continue to emphasize the importance diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI), [the SUNY Poly DEI Advisory Committee is being formed as a standing committee to provide recommendations and ongoing counsel directly to me and the Chief Diversity Officer](#). This will help SUNY Poly actively pursue an increase in diversity as we further facilitate equity and inclusion through efforts in education, institutional change, and modeling of our core values.

SUNY Poly continues to lead the way in providing inspiring educational options and experiences, game-changing research, and an environment where we all feel valued and supported. I hope you feel the same high level of Wildcat pride as I do as we consider all we accomplished in 2021 and look forward to this New Year.

I hope you enjoyed a safe and joyous holiday season. Now, I wish you the best in 2022.

Sincerely,



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