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To SUNY Poly Faculty, Staff, and Students:

I am exceedingly proud to share that SUNY Polytechnic Institute has received strong 2020 academic rankings by the prestigious *U.S. News and World Report* “Best Colleges” list. I am extremely grateful to our faculty, staff, and students, for all you have done to make this happen, and for all you continue to do, to make SUNY Poly such an exciting and dynamic place. This recognition is a testament to our collective success in building upon our tradition of preparing students to thrive in the 21st century economy.

In the 2020 *U.S. News & World Report Rankings*:

- SUNY Poly is now ranked 2nd for “Best Value Schools” in the Regional Universities–North category, advancing from 11th in 2019;
- SUNY Poly is ranked 12th in the overall Regional Universities–North category, moving up from 18th in 2019;
- SUNY Poly is also ranked 2nd for “Top Public Schools” in the same category, improving from 3rd in 2019; and
- SUNY Poly is now ranked 6th for “Best Colleges for Veterans” in the same category, moving up two spots from 2019.

These rankings reflect positive recognition of SUNY Poly’s graduation and retention rates, assessment of excellence, and faculty and financial resources, among other assessment areas, each with different weights assigned to them to determine the final institution positions. For a link to the full rankings, please visit www.usnews.com/colleges.

Our high rankings by *U.S. News & World Report* are complemented by a number of other recent rankings based on national data that SUNY Poly provides: SUNY Poly was ranked by *EDsmart* as #1 for “Accredited Online Colleges in New York” and ranked 5th nationwide in the “20 Best Affordable Healthcare Administration and Management Online Degree Programs” list compiled by *Affordable Schools*. In July, SUNY Poly was ranked 20th nationwide in “Best Healthcare Administration” by *Study.com*.

To further showcase the positive efforts of our faculty, staff, and students, I would also like to share with you our institution’s “Academic Year 2018-2019 Annual Report,” which documents many of SUNY Poly’s accomplishments from the previous academic year. It provides numerous highlights, detailing key events and initiatives; SUNY Poly faculty, student, and staff excellence; diversity and outreach efforts; alumni accomplishments; academic program updates by college; top research awards, new programs and partnerships; as well as updates related to residential life and housing; community standards and leadership; athletics; career services; and student affairs. I hope you will find this to be a helpful resource, and I encourage you to share it:

<https://sunypoly.edu/about/office-president/annual-report.html>.



The opportunities we are creating together are making a difference in the SUNY Poly student experience. I look forward to continuing to expand our academic offerings and research and workforce development activities as we help to drive the economic growth of our regions—and New York State. I am thrilled that SUNY Poly is off to such a strong start this academic year, and know this is just the beginning.

Sincerely,

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