## **COUNTY OF SUFFOLK**



## OFFICE OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Steven Bellone SUFFOLK COUNTY EXECUTIVE

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Dear Suffolk County Community College Class of 2021,

I would like to extend my congratulations to you on this extraordinary occasion of your graduation from Suffolk County Community College.

This recognition, as part of a second-ever virtual commencement celebration, comes as we have entered our second year of an unprecedented time – for all of our society, but especially for academic institutions. I would be remiss if I did not take this opportunity to applaud the college's administration, faculty, students and staff for their sustained efforts throughout the pandemic; and, to thank all in the community at each campus who rose to this year's pandemic hurdle, vaccination administration. With your assistance, the County was able to jumpstart Suffolk's vaccination efforts, leading our region to a healthy future.

When the members of the Class of 2021 enrolled at Suffolk County Community College, they embarked on a path in search of unique goals and aspirations. Armed with the skills, knowledge, resilience and toil behind the degrees you've earned, you are one step closer to what is yet to come. I have every confidence that this experience will serve you and our County as you press forward. It is an honor today to celebrate the accomplishments, skills, and hard work of Suffolk County Community College's Class of 2021.

I congratulate you on your well-deserved graduation, and on behalf of the 1.5 million residents of Suffolk County, wish you the best of luck as you forge your paths onward and upward.

All the best,

STEVEN BELLONE Suffolk County Executive