



COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

**Over the past few years, I have been proud to witness and support the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education's redesign. This initiative is transforming higher education in Pennsylvania and will support the system's ability to deliver affordable, high-quality, and accessible education to students in Pennsylvania.**

**On July 1, this initiative will take another important step forward with the integration of Bloomsburg, Lock Haven, and Mansfield as Commonwealth University, and California, Clarion, and Edinboro as Penn West.**

**Your leadership and contributions to these integrations are groundbreaking and are incredibly important for the future of the State System and the students it serves. Thank you for your tremendous dedication, work ethic, and passion. You are launching two new universities that build on the strength of each of these six historic institutions.**

**We can all look forward to the start of the fall semester when we welcome thousands of students back to our campuses. It will be an exciting moment for your university, the State System, and all Pennsylvanians. Most importantly, you will continue your mission to open doors of opportunity for thousands of students to access excellent higher education so they can build rewarding lives here in Pennsylvania.**

**Thank you for all that you are doing to transform higher education in Pennsylvania.**

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Tom Wolf".

**TOM WOLF**  
Governor  
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