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Dear Sir or Madam:

I write today with many thanks for your recent gift. It is because of your generosity to the Dr. Kimberly Esterman Memorial Scholarship that our students can have the opportunity to reach their goals. *Thank you!*

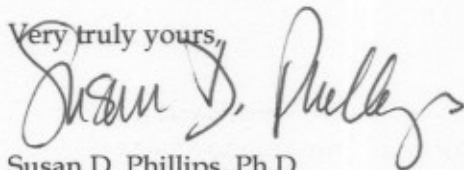
Together with our alumni and friends, we share great pride in our School of Education. The accomplishments of our students and faculty continue to define the very best not only in our own communities, but also across this country and around the globe. From our beginning in 1844, we have a rich tradition of excellence, and a vital mission is to enhance learning and human development, in and out of classrooms, and across the life span.

Today, at the School of Education, we bring our multidisciplinary experts together, to:

- Discover innovative research-based knowledge and solutions for the problems facing individuals, families, professionals, and educational systems;
- Prepare outstanding professionals for classrooms, schools, communities, higher education, and policy forums;
- Produce rigorous scholars to carry out the next generation of discovery and innovation; and
- Provide visionary leadership for educational policy and change, regionally, nationally, and internationally.

So, it is with heartfelt appreciation, that I again, say *thank you!* *Thank you* for helping us to prepare others for careers that form the foundation for life-long learning. *Thank you* for sharing our pride in the tradition of excellence in the School and for your commitment to making a difference. I invite you to visit, or drop me a note or email – you can find me at deanphillips@uamail.albany.edu. I look forward to your ideas and wisdom on how the School of Education can best serve its many partners and address the challenges that lie ahead.

Very truly yours,



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P.S. Be sure to visit our website to learn more about the wonderful initiatives that are underway in the School of Education: www.albany.edu/education