Dear Students,

We want to inform you about a recent concern regarding suspected mold in a specific, isolated area of the Lakeland Technology Building (LTB) on the Polk State Lakeland Campus. Your health and safety are our utmost priorities, and we assure you that this situation is contained and being managed effectively.

Most importantly, the classrooms, labs, and offices in LTB have been tested by NOVA Engineering & Environmental and are safe for occupancy. A limited number of areas of the building are closed, are being cleaned, and will be retested prior to being reopened for use. These areas are LTB 1100, the Florida Polytechnic University break room, LTB 2285 (lab storage and prep area), and LTB 2278.

We ask that If you notice any signs of mold (such as discoloration or unusual odors) on campus, please report it immediately to a faculty or staff person who will submit a work order and inform our Facilities team and Risk Manager. If you have any health concerns, we encourage you to reach out to your respective Academic Dean.

The College will continue to provide updates regarding this issue. Your wellbeing is our primary concern, and we are committed to ensuring a safe environment for everyone.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation as we address this matter.

Jay Culver, Associate Vice President, Student Services