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Hey George… I just realized we are

at the end of the semester. I think

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we should meet to do a holiday message. I

was thinking it would be fun to do it in front of the living wall.

0:00:14.080,0:00:16.240

Brenda, Haven’t you heard?

Heard what?

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We can’t get together.

Unless we are on tap to be COVID champions,

0:00:20.080,0:00:23.280

we are supposed to stay away from campus

and physically distance from one another!

0:00:24.080,0:00:28.160

Well that’s a bummer!

This COVID thing changes everything.

0:00:28.160,0:00:33.680

If ever there was a year when we need to thank

everyone this is the year. We need to celebrate

0:00:33.680,0:00:38.080

everyone's accomplishments – students and staff.

I totally agree with you, Brenda.

0:00:38.080,0:00:41.440

This year has been far from normal.

It is also important we let students

0:00:41.440,0:00:45.760

and staff know that they need to take the time

to relax and decompress over the holiday break.

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Right…no virtual meetings.

No virtual classes.

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They should do what’s important…spend time with their

families…within the same household of course.

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Of course. We also need to let our community know how

impressed we have been with their commitment.

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We need to thank the students for their

patience and perseverance in making the most

0:01:04.240,0:01:08.640

of this strange year, and thank the team for all

they have done to make every student’s academic

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journey a success in the face of this pandemic.

You know, although I am new, I am so impressed

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with the sense of community at the University of Guelph-Humber.

Everyone worked together to pivot in the winter

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and to move to an almost all on-line system

in the fall. And the students were amazing.

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It was an impressive feat

I agree.

0:01:28.320,0:01:31.840

We need to thank everyone and

congratulate them on an amazing year.

0:01:31.840,0:01:35.600

And we need to urge them to relax over the break

and wish them all the best for the New Year!

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So how do we do this without

getting together with our famous film crew?

0:01:40.000,0:01:42.960

Brenda, we already have!

I think we are being Zoom Bombed!

0:01:42.960,0:01:45.440

I think our appreciation

has already been recorded.

0:01:45.440,0:01:48.400

So on behalf of Brenda, myself

and the entire leadership team…

0:01:49.280,0:01:52.880

Season’s Greetings!

I of course have to say Feliz Natal

0:01:53.520,0:01:55.920

Happy Hanukah

Merry Christmas!

0:01:55.920,0:01:58.560

Happy Kwanzaa!

Joyeux Noël!

0:01:59.120,0:02:02.000

Feliz Navidad!

Ok – that's enough. We

0:02:02.000,0:02:04.080

could be here all day.

What we want to say is no

0:02:04.080,0:02:08.480

matter what you celebrate or how you celebrate

it, happy holidays to you and your family!

0:02:08.480,0:02:14.000

And all the best in the new year!

By the way Brenda, that's a nice ugly sweater.

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Ugh George, my husband bought

me this sweater for my birthday. I love it.

0:02:19.680,0:02:23.760

Oops, Sorry.

Hope you have a lovely holiday Brenda.

0:02:24.400,0:02:29.040

You too George, you deserve it. Thanks for

your leadership during this very strange year.

0:02:30.376,0:02:31.621

Happy holidays!