



January 6, 2022

Theodora Pinou
181 White Street
Danbury, CT 06810

Dear Ms. Pinou,

On behalf of Society for Science and Regeneron, I am pleased to notify you that Khushi Parikh has been named a top 300 Scholar of the 81st annual Science Talent Search, and that Khushi Parikh has named you "the one person who has been most influential in the development of my scientific career."

The Society and Regeneron salute you for your contribution to the development of this young scientist and others, especially during this difficult year that has shown us the importance of a strong science education and training now more than ever. Dedicated mentors like you, who provide guidance and encouragement to these students, inspire a new generation of researchers and leaders. We hope that these students will in turn follow your example by serving as mentors to young people in the future.

From among this elite group of students that were named Regeneron Science Talent Search Scholars for 2022, 40 Finalists will be selected to attend the Regeneron Science Talent Finals Week competition from March 10-16, 2022. Finalists will compete for \$1.8M in additional awards, including the top award of \$250,000.

To see if your student has been selected as a Finalist, visit our website, societyforscience.org/regeneron-sts, on January 21, 2022 at 12:00 noon ET. There you will also find additional information about the Regeneron Science Talent Search, interesting articles from *Science News* and *Science News for Students*, information about Society membership, and opportunities to continue to support young scientists.

Thank you for your support of independent student research, and congratulations on your mentee's selection as a Regeneron Science Talent Search Scholar!

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Maya Ajmera".

Maya Ajmera
President & CEO
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