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## Dave Maryniak named Augusta Technical College's 2021 RPA Winner

Augusta, GA– Dr. David Maryniak, Chemical Technology Department Head at the Augusta Campus, has been named the 2021 Rick Perkins Instructor of the Year Award winner for Augusta Technical College. The announcement was made virtually by college president Dr. Jermaine Whirl on March 10, 2021.

Selected from among seven participating faculty candidates for this year's award, Dr. Maryniak completed his Bachelor of Science in Chemistry at the Rochester Institute of Technology in Rochester, NY, and the Doctor of Philosophy in Chemistry at the University of South Carolina in Columbia, SC. He has taught at Augusta Technical College since 1993 and was also nominated for the Instructor of the Year award in 2018, 2016, 2015, and 2012. Along with teaching, Maryniak has developed or supported development of several programs at the College, including the Chemical Operator Diploma, AAS in Chemical Technology, and the AAS in Nuclear Engineering Technology. and is designed to recognize technical college instructors who make significant contributions to technical education through innovation and leadership in their fields. Formerly known as the Commissioner's Award of Excellence, the award was renamed in honor and memory of Thomas "Rick" Perkins, an instructor at West Georgia Technical College.

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