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## **Comment on the Education Scotland Report**

Commenting on the national overview report published by HM Inspectors of Education, Shona Struthers, Chief Executive of Colleges Scotland, said:

"I'm pleased this report captures the huge amount of hard work and dedication college staff and leaders mustered in the face of a global public health emergency. The move to online learning, teaching, and working was not easy but the report highlights the quality of the offer that was made to students during this extremely difficult time.

"Throughout the period of remote learning, a strong learner focus was in place, with a real emphasis on wellbeing and offering support to vulnerable students, as well to staff around their mental health.

"The report is right to highlight issues around digital and data poverty for students which colleges, and often individuals within colleges, worked really hard to overcome. Every student deserves an excellent digital experience at college in whatever form that takes to support their learning, and Colleges Scotland will look carefully at the recommendations of the report to see where further work can be done to support our students."

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### Notes to Editor:

A copy of the report can be found at <u>https://education.gov.scot/education-scotland/news-and-events/new-report-highlights-the-approaches-to-remote-learning-in-scotland-s-colleges/</u>

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