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July 2, 2012

Mr. Randall Lawrence
Superintendent/President
College of the Siskiyous
800 College Avenue
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Dear President Lawrence:

The Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, Western Association of Schools and Colleges, at its meeting June 6-8, 2012, considered the Follow-Up Report submitted by College of the Siskiyous and the report of the evaluation team which visited Wednesday, April 18, 2012. The Commission took action to **remove Warning** and **reaffirm accreditation**.

In its Follow-Up Report, the College reported that it had developed and implemented the revised program review and resource allocation process and was in the process of completing the first year of implementation for the new process. The College also developed and implemented a rigorous evaluation of the participatory governance, program review and planning processes with timelines for the future evaluation of those processes. Results of all evaluations are broadly communicated to the campus community and results are being used to improve the processes. Additionally, the human resources, facilities, technology, and financial resources plans are fully integrated with each other and are contained in the College's Educational Master Plan. The Commission expects that the changes made to meet Accreditation Standards will be sustained and become part of College of the Siskiyous' culture and ongoing practice.

The Follow-Up Report will become part of the accreditation history of the College and should be used in preparing for the next comprehensive evaluation. I have previously sent you a copy of the Evaluation Team Report. Additional copies may now be duplicated. The Commission requires that you give the report and this letter appropriate dissemination to your college staff and to those who were signatories of your college report. This group should include the campus leadership, and the Board of Trustees. The Commission also requires that the College Follow-Up Report, the Evaluation Report, and the Commission action letter be made available to students and the public. Placing a copy on the college website can accomplish this.

Mr. Randall Lawrence
College of the Siskiyous
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All colleges are required to file a Midterm Report in the third year after each comprehensive evaluation. College of the Siskiyous should submit the Midterm Report by **March 15, 2013**.¹ Midterm Reports provide evidence of resolution or implementation for each recommendation made by the last comprehensive evaluation team, and demonstrate that the institution has sustained any practices required to come into compliance with Eligibility Requirements, Accreditation Standards and Commission policies. The Midterm Report should also include a summary of progress on College-identified plans for improvement as expressed in the Self Study Report.

On behalf of the Commission, I wish to express continuing interest in the institution's educational quality and students' success. Professional self-regulation is the most effective means of assuring institutional integrity, effectiveness, and quality.

Sincerely,



Barbara A. Beno, Ph.D.
President

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cc: Ms. Kristy Anderson, Accreditation Liaison Officer
President, Board of Trustees, Siskiyous Joint Community College District
Dr. William Duncan, Team Chair

¹ Institutions that will be preparing and submitting Midterm Reports, Follow-Up Reports, and Special Reports to the Commission should review *Guidelines for the Preparation of Reports to the Commission*. It contains the background, requirements, and format for each type of report and presents sample cover pages and certification pages. It is available on the ACCJC website under College Reports to ACCJC at: (<http://www.accjc.org/college-reports-accjc>).