



ACCREDITING COMMISSION for COMMUNITY and JUNIOR COLLEGES
Western Association of Schools and Colleges

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July 8, 2016

Dr. Donald Wallace
Superintendent/President
Palo Verde College
One College Drive
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Dear President Wallace:

The Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, Western Association of Schools and Colleges, at its meeting June 8-10, 2016, reviewed the Institutional Follow-Up Report and the evidentiary materials submitted by Palo Verde College and the Report prepared by the evaluation team that visited on March 16, 2016. College leadership, including the president of the Board of Trustees, certified the College's report. The purpose of the Commission's review was to determine whether the College had resolved deficiencies noted during the spring 2014 comprehensive review and now meets Eligibility Requirements, Accreditation Standards, and Commission policies.

After considering all of the written material noted above, the Commission finds that Palo Verde College has addressed Recommendations 1, 2, 4, 5, 7, and 8, as noted by the spring 2014 comprehensive evaluation team, corrected the deficiencies, and meets Eligibility Requirements 8, 10, and 19 and Standards I.A.3-4, I.B, I.B.1-6, II.A.1.a -c, II.A.2.a-f, II.B.1, III.A.1.b, III.A.1.c, III.C.2, and III.D.1 .

The Commission took action to remove Warning and **reaffirm accreditation**.

The Commission requires that you give the Follow-Up Report, the External Evaluation Team Report, and this letter appropriate dissemination to your college staff and to those who were signatories of your Follow-Up Report. The Commission also requires that these documents be made available to students and the public by placing a copy on the college website. Please note that in response to public interest in accreditation, the Commission now requires institutions to post accreditation information on a page no more than one click from the institution's home page.

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The Commission encourages the college's continued work to ensure educational quality and to support student success. Accreditation and peer review are most effective when the college and the ACCJC work together to focus on student outcomes and continuous quality improvement in higher education. Thank you for sharing the values and the work of accreditation.

If you should have any questions concerning this letter or the Commission action, please don't hesitate to contact me or one of the ACCJC's Vice Presidents. We would be glad to help you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Barbara A. Beno".

Barbara A. Beno, Ph.D.
President

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