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Western Association of Schools and Colleges

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July 3, 2013

Mr. Mark Perry President San Joaquin Valley College 801 S. Akers Street #150 Visalia, CA 93277

Dear President Perry:

The Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, Western Association of Schools and Colleges, at its meeting on June 5-7, 2013, considered the Institutional Self Evaluation Report and the Report of the External Evaluation Team that visited San Joaquin Valley College March 11-14, 2013.

The Commission took action to **reaffirm accreditation**. Reaffirmation is granted when the institution substantially meets or exceeds the Eligibility Requirements, Accreditation Standards and Commission policies. Recommendations are directed toward strengthening the institution, not correcting situations where the institution fails to meet the Eligibility Requirements, Accreditation Standards and Commission policies. The institution is required to submit a Midterm Report in the third year of the six-year accreditation cycle.

San Joaquin Valley College should submit the **Midterm Report** by **March 15, 2016**. A Midterm Report indicates resolution of any team recommendations made for improvement, includes a summary of progress on College-identified plans for improvement as expressed in the Self Evaluation Report, and forecasts where the College expects to be by the time of the next comprehensive evaluation.¹

San Joaquin Valley College conducted an educational quality and institutional effectiveness review as part of its self evaluation. The Commission suggests that the plans for improvement of the institution included in its self evaluation efforts be taken into account in the continuing improvement of the College.

The External Evaluation Report that was sent to the institution provides details of the team's findings with regard to each Eligibility Requirement and Accreditation Standard and should be read carefully and used to understand the team's findings.

The recommendations contained in the External Evaluation Report represent the best advice of the peer evaluation team at the time of the visit, but may not describe all that is necessary to come into compliance.

Mr. Mark Perry San Joaquin Valley College July 3, 2013

Institutions are expected to take all action necessary to comply with Eligibility Requirements, Accreditation Standards, and Commission policies. The Commission wishes to remind you that while an institution may concur or disagree with any part of the Report, San Joaquin Valley College is expected to use the External Evaluation Report to improve educational programs and services and to resolve issues identified by the Commission.

I have previously sent you a copy of the External Evaluation Report. Additional copies may now be duplicated. The Commission requires that the College give the Institutional Self Evaluation Report, the External Evaluation Team Report, and this letter appropriate dissemination to College staff and to those who were signatories of the College Self Evaluation Report. This group should include the campus leadership and the Board of Trustees.

The Commission also requires that the College's Institutional Self Evaluation Report, the External Evaluation Team Report, and this Commission action letter 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 disclosure, the Commission now requires institutions to post accreditation information on a page no farther than one click from the institution's home page.* If you would like an electronic copy of the External Evaluation Team Report, please contact Commission staff.

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

Sincerely,

Barbara A. Beno, Ph.D.

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cc: Ms. Wendy Mendes, Accreditation Liaison Officer
President, Board of Governors, San Joaquin Valley College
Dr. Steven Kinsella, Superintendent/President, Gavilan College, Team Chair

Institutions 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).



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Barbara A. Beno, President Susan S. Kazama, Chair

July 8, 2016

Mr. Michael Perry President San Joaquin Valley College 3828 W. Caldwell Avenue Visalia, CA 93277

Dear President Perry:

The Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, Western Association of Schools and Colleges, at its meeting June 8-10, 2016, reviewed the Midterm Report and the evidentiary materials submitted by San Joaquin Valley College. College leadership, including the president of the governing board, the chairman of the Board of Directors, and the College president, certified the Report. The purpose of the Commission's review was to determine whether the College continues to meet Eligibility Requirements, Accreditation Standards, and Commission policies (hereafter called standards). The Commission also examined the College's implementation of its own plans for improvement that were identified in the 2013 Self Evaluation Report.

After considering all of the written material noted above, the Commission finds that the College has sustained the work accomplished since the last comprehensive evaluation and has maintained compliance with the Standards previously identified in the 2013 comprehensive evaluation team report and linked to College Recommendation 1.

The Commission expects that the changes and improvements in College policies, procedures, practices and outcomes noted in the Midterm Report will be sustained. The College's next comprehensive review will occur in **spring 2019**. The Commission encourages San Joaquin Valley College to focus its attention on improving student learning and student achievement as it continues its work to assure and improve quality.

The Commission requires that you give the Midterm Report and this letter appropriate dissemination to your College staff and to those who signatories of your Midterm Report. You should also make these documents available to all campus constituencies and the public by placing a copy on the College website. Please note that in response to public interest in accreditation, the Commission requires institutions to post accreditation information on a page no more than one click from the institution's home page.

Mr. Michael Perry San Joaquin Valley College July 8, 2016

On behalf of the Commission, I wish to express appreciation for the work that San Joaquin Valley College undertook to prepare the Midterm Report. Accreditation and peer review are most effective when institutions 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 Vice Presidents. We would be glad to help you.

Sincerely,

Barbara A. Beno, Ph.D.

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Richard Winn, Interim President Raúl Rodríguez, Chair

March 29, 2017

Mr. Michael Perry President San Joaquin Valley College 3828 W. Caldwell Avenue Visalia, CA 93277

Dear President Perry:

The Committee on Substantive Change of the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, Western Association of Schools and Colleges met February 27, 2017 to review the Substantive Change Application from San Joaquin Valley College to offer:

• New Program: Respiratory Therapy – Baccalaureate Degree (Modality: Distance Education; Total Program Units 121.00)

The Committee acted to approve the substantive change.

The College also proposed to add the previously approved Surgical Technology Program to its Rancho Cordova and Temecula campuses.

The Committee acted to approve the substantive change.

On behalf of the Commission, I wish to express appreciation for the work that the College undertook to prepare this Application for Substantive Change. If you should have any questions concerning this letter or the Committee action, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely.

Norval L. Wellsfry, E

Vice President

cc: Ms. Crystal VanderTuig, Accreditation Liaison Officer

Martina Fernandez-Rosario, U.S. Department of Education Chair, Substantive Change

Committee