



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

Barbara A. Beno, President
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February 5, 2016

Dr. Paul Parnell
President
Norco College
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Dear President Parnell:

The Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, Western Association of Schools and Colleges, at its meeting January 6-8, 2016, reviewed the Institutional Follow-Up Report submitted by Norco College, evidentiary materials also submitted, and the Report prepared by the evaluation team that visited on November 4-5, 2015. College leadership, including the president of the governing board and the college president, 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 (hereafter called standards).

After considering all of the written material noted above, the Commission found that Norco College has addressed District Recommendations 1 and 2 and College Recommendations 1, 2, 3, and 4 from the spring 2014 comprehensive evaluation, resolved the deficiencies, and meets standards. The Commission encourages the institution to ensure it sustains the work done to meet standards.

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. This group should include the chancellor, campus leadership, and the Board of Trustees. 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.

The Commission reminds Norco College that its next scheduled report is the college Midterm Report due by **March 15, 2017**.¹

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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 encourage 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'd 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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cc: Dr. Michael Burke, Chancellor, Riverside Community College District

¹ 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* found on the ACCJC website at: (<http://www.accjc.org/college-reports-accjc>).