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June 29, 2015

Mr. Bradley Davis  
President  
West Valley College  
14000 Fruitvale Avenue  
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Dear President Davis:

The Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, Western Association of Schools and Colleges, at its meeting June 3-5, 2015, reviewed the Follow-Up Report submitted by West Valley College, and the report of the evaluation team that visited on April 16, 2015. The College Follow-Up Report was certified by college leadership, including the chancellor, president of the board of trustees, the college president, the Accreditation Liaison Officer, and leaders of the faculty, staff, and student organizations.

Based on the College Follow-Up Report, evidence submitted, and the External Evaluation Team Report, the Commission finds that West Valley College has addressed Recommendations 1 through 8 from the last comprehensive review and has resolved the deficiencies in College policies, procedures, and practices which led to noncompliance with Eligibility Requirement 21 and Standards I.B, I.B.2, II.A, II.A.1.b, II.A.1.c, II.A.2.a, II.A.2.b, II.A.2.h, II.A.5, II.A.6.b, III.A.1.b, III.A.1.c, III.A.6, III.B, III.C.1, III.C.2, III.D, III.D.1.d, IV.A.4. Therefore, the Commission took action to remove Warning and **reaffirm accreditation**.

Institutions are expected to meet Eligibility Requirements, Accreditation Standards, and Commission policies at all times during the six-year review cycle. West Valley College must demonstrate to the Commission at the time of the Midterm Report that the recent changes implemented to resolve deficiencies and meet Standards have been sustained. West Valley College should submit the Midterm Report by **March 15, 2017**.<sup>1</sup>

The Follow-Up Report submitted in March 2015 will become part of the accreditation history of the College. 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 campus leadership and the Board of Trustees. The Commission also requires that these documents be made available to students and the public

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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 more than one click from the institution's home page.*

On behalf of the Commission, I wish to encourage your continued work to ensure West Valley College's educational quality and to support students' success. Professional self-regulation is the responsibility of an accredited college and the accreditor. Thank you for sharing in that responsibility.

Sincerely,



Barbara A. Beno, Ph.D.  
President

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cc: Dr. Patrick Schmitt, Chancellor

<sup>1</sup>Institutions preparing and submitting Midterm Reports, Follow-Up Reports, or 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>.