



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

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Dr. Erlinda Martinez
President
Santa Ana College
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Dear President Martinez:

The Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, Western Association of Schools and Colleges, at its meeting January 6-8, 2016, reviewed the Follow-Up Report submitted by Santa Ana College and evidentiary materials also submitted. College leadership, including the president of the governing board and the college president certified the Report. The purpose of the Commission's review is to determine whether the College resolved deficiencies noted during the fall 2014 comprehensive review and meets Eligibility Requirements, Accreditation Standards and Commission policies.

After considering the written material noted above, the Commission finds that Santa Ana College has resolved the deficiencies and meets the Standards, including I.B.1, I.B.2, I.B.3, I.B.5, II.A.1.c, II.A.2.e, II.A.2.f, II.B.4, II.C.2, and IV.B.2.b, from Recommendations 1 through 3.

The Commission requires that you give the Follow-Up Report and this letter appropriate dissemination to your college staff and to those who were signatories of the Report. This group should include the chancellor, campus leadership, and the Board of Trustees. 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.

The Commission reminds Santa Ana College that its next scheduled report is the college Midterm Report due by **fall 2017**.¹

Dr. Erlinda Martinez
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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,



Barbara A. Beno, PhD
President

cc: Dr. Raúl Rodríguez, Chancellor, Rancho Santiago 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>).