

## **ACCREDITING COMMISSION for COMMUNITY and JUNIOR COLLEGES**

Western Association of Schools and Colleges

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February 3, 2017

Dr. Jamillah Moore President Cañada College 4200 Farm Hill Boulevard Redwood City, CA 94061

## Dear President Moore:

The Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, Western Association of Schools and Colleges, at its meeting January 11-13, 2017, reviewed the Midterm Report and evidentiary materials submitted by Cañada College. College leadership, including the president of the governing board, the chancellor, 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 College did not provide actionable improvement plans in its 2013 Self-Evaluation Report, so the Commission was not able to examine whether the College made any improvements other than those related to the recommendations provided by the comprehensive external evaluation team in 2013.

After considering the material noted above, the Commission finds that the College has sustained the work accomplished since the last comprehensive evaluation and has maintained compliance with Standards. The Commission also finds that the College continues to meet the Standards identified in the 2013 External Evaluation Team Report and linked to College Recommendation 2, which the College satisfactorily addressed in its Follow-Up Report in 2014; College Recommendation 1; and District Recommendations 1, 2, and 3 written to increase institutional effectiveness.

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 **fall 2019**. The Commission encourages Cañada 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 the College give the Midterm Report and this letter appropriate dissemination to College staff and to those who were signatories on the Midterm Report. The College should also make these documents available to all campus constituencies and to the public by posting it 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.

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On behalf of the Commission, I wish to express appreciation for the work that Cañada College undertook to prepare the Midterm Report. Thank you for sharing the values and the work of accreditation 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.

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,

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cc: Mr. Ron Galatolo, Chancellor, San Mateo Community College District