June 28, 2021

Dr. Marsha Gable
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Grossmont College
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Dear Dr. Gable:

The Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, Western Association of Schools and Colleges, at its meeting June 9-11, 2021, reviewed the Follow-Up Report and related evidentiary materials submitted by Grossmont College. The Commission also considered the Peer Review Team Follow-Up Report prepared by the follow-up team that visited the institution on April 8-9, 2021. The purpose of this review was to determine whether the College has addressed the deficiencies identified by the peer review team during the fall 2019 comprehensive visit and demonstrated compliance with the Standards cited in the Commission’s January 27, 2020 Action Letter.

Upon consideration of the information noted above, the Commission finds that Grossmont College has addressed District Compliance Requirement 1, College Compliance Requirements 1 and 3, corrected deficiencies, and meets Standards II.A.3, III.A.5, and the Policy on Distance Education and Correspondence Education. The Commission further finds continued non-compliance with Standards I.B.2, II.A.3, and II.A.16 (College Compliance Requirement 2), and acted to Defer Action. The College is required submit a second Follow-Up Report by March 1, 2022, addressing the remaining deficiencies noted in Compliance Requirement 2, which will be followed by a visit from a peer review team. The accredited status of the institution continues during the deferred action period.

In accordance with federal regulations and the Policy on Commission Actions on Institutions, compliance requirements must be addressed and the institution must demonstrate that it aligns with Standards within three years of first receiving notification of noncompliance, by January
2023. If the institution cannot document that it has come into compliance within the designated period, the Commission will take adverse action.

The Commission looks forward to receiving the College’s second Follow-up Report demonstrating that it has addressed the deficiencies, and supports your institution’s efforts to come into compliance.

The Commission requires the College to disseminate this Follow-Up Report, Peer Review Team Report and this letter within the institution, including by posting them on the College’s website.

If you have any questions about this letter or the Commission’s action, please feel free to contact Dr. Stephanie Droker or the vice president that has been assigned as liaison to your institution.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Droker, Ed.D.  Sonya Christian, Ed.D.

cc:  Dr. Joan Ahrens, Accreditation Liaison Officer  
     Dr. Lynn C. Neault, Chancellor, Grossmont-Cuyamaca Community College District

Attachment