

January 28, 2021

Dr. Dianne G. Van Hook, Chancellor
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Dear Dr. Van Hook,

It is with great enthusiasm that Grossmont College requests a Partnership Resource Team for the fall of 2021, to assist us in developing an educational master plan and integrating the work of our shared governance committees into our planning processes.

Our college is committed to continuous improvement, and we are doing well in a number of areas. We recently implemented a redesigned governance and decision-making structure and are currently evaluating this structure to determine areas in need of improvement. We are committed to equitable student outcomes and were lauded by ACCJC for our equity-focused mission statement and for ensuring that our programs, services, and practices are aligned with the college mission and vision. We have recently made the commitment to becoming an anti-racist institution and have begun work toward that goal. Finally, we have well-developed area- and function-specific plans, such as our Technology Plan, Facilities Master Plan, and our Strategic Plan, the latter of which was developed with an equity-minded focus.

We seek support with the development and implementation of an educational master plan that integrates our area- and function-specific plans (e.g., Technology, Facilities, Strategic), and with ensuring that equity and anti-racism are integrated into this plan. Further, we seek assistance with integrating the work of the recently formed shared governance committees into our planning processes.

We have chosen these areas of focus because a fully integrated educational master plan—and the operationalization of that plan—will provide the framework necessary to foster student equity and excellence at our college. Additionally, a well-developed educational master plan will provide us with a transparent document that will guide the work of all employees. Further, it will help us to break down our siloed work environment and work collaboratively via our shared governance process. Ultimately, it will allow us to integrate our various student success initiatives and align them with our Guided Pathways work, enabling us to realize the Core Commitments in the *Vision for Success*.

Thank you for your time and consideration.