

June 23, 2017

Dr. Debra Daniels, Superintendent/President
Taft College
29 Cougar Court
Taft, CA 93268

Dear Superintendent/President Daniels:

The Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, Western Association of Schools and Colleges, at its meeting June 7-9, 2017, reviewed the Follow-Up Report and evidentiary materials submitted by Taft College and the Follow-Up Team Report (Team Report) prepared by the evaluation team that visited on April 18, 2017. College leadership, including the president of the governing board and the College president, certified the College's report. The purpose of the Commission's review was to determine whether the College had resolved deficiencies noted during the fall 2015 comprehensive review and now meets Eligibility Requirements, Accreditation Standards, and Commission policies (hereafter called Standards).

After considering the material noted above, the Commission finds that Taft College has addressed Recommendations 1 through 7 as noted by the spring 2015 comprehensive evaluation team; corrected the deficiencies; and meets Standards I.B.1, I.B.3, I.B.6, II.A.1.A, II.A.1.c, II.A.2, II.A.2.a, II.A.2.b, II.A.2.e, II.A.2.f, II.A.6.b, II.B.4, II.C.2, III.A.1.c, III.A.5.a, III.A.5.b, III.C.1.c, IV.A.2.b, and IV.A.5. The Commission encourages the institution to ensure it continues the work done to meet Standards. The next report from Taft College will be the Midterm Report due in **fall 2018**.¹

The Commission requires the College give the Follow-Up Report, the Team Report, and this letter appropriate dissemination to College staff and to those who were signatories of the Follow-Up Report, and to make these documents available to students and to the public by posting them to 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.

On behalf of the Commission, I wish to express appreciation for the collaborative work that Taft College undertook to prepare the Follow-Up Report and to support the work of the external evaluation team.

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://accjc.org/college-reports-to-accjc/>.

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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 contact me or one of the ACCJC Vice Presidents. We would be glad to help you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Richard Winn", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Richard Winn, Ed.D.
Interim President

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