February 7, 2014

Dr. Tod Burnett, President
Saddleback College
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Dear President Burnett:

The Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, Western Association of Schools and Colleges, at its meeting January 8-10, 2014, reviewed the Midterm Report submitted by Saddleback College. The Midterm Report was certified by district and college leadership, including the chair of the governing board, the chancellor, the college president, and leaders of the faculty, staff, and student organizations. Based on the College Midterm Report and the documentation submitted, the College has met the Standards associated with College Recommendations 1 – 5 and District Recommendations 1 – 6. The Report also included responses to Self-Identified Planning Agendas.

Institutions are expected to meet Eligibility Requirements and Accreditation Standards at all times during the six-year cycle. It is expected that the changes and improvements noted in the Midterm Report will be sustained. This will be verified at the time of the next regularly scheduled visit. Saddleback College will submit its Institutional Self Evaluation of Educational Quality and Institutional Effectiveness in preparation for the comprehensive review in October 2016.

The Midterm Report submitted in October 2013 will become part of the accreditation history of the College. The Commission requires that you give the Midterm Report and this letter appropriate dissemination to your College staff and to those who were signatories of your Midterm Report. This group should include the Chancellor, campus leadership, and the Board of Trustees.

The Commission also requires that the Midterm Report and this Commission action letter be made available to students and the public by placing a copy on the College website. *Please note that in response to public interest in disclosure, the Commission now requires institutions to post accreditation information on a page no farther than one click from the institution’s home page.*
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On behalf of the Commission, I wish to express continuing interest in the institution’s educational quality and students’ success. Professional self-regulation is the most effective means of assuring institutional integrity, effectiveness, and educational quality.

Sincerely,

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Barbara A. Beno, Ph.D.
President

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