June 28, 2021

Dr. Julianna Barnes President Cuyamaca College 900 Rancho San Diego Parkway El Cajon, CA 92019

## Dear Dr. Barnes:

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 Cuyamaca College. 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 acted to **Reaffirm Accreditation for the remainder of the cycle**. The Commission finds that Cuyamaca College has addressed the compliance requirements, corrected deficiencies, and meets Standard III.A.5. The Commission requires the College to disseminate the Follow-Up Report, and this letter within the institution, including by posting them on the College's website.

The next report from the College will be the Midterm Report<sup>1</sup> due on October 15, 2023. The institution's next comprehensive review will begin with Team ISER Review in the spring term of 2026 and conclude with a Focused Site Visit in the fall term of 2026.

On behalf of the Commission, we wish to express appreciation for the diligent work and thoughtful reflection that Cuyamaca College undertook to respond to these requirements. These efforts confirm that peer review can serve well the multiple constituencies of higher education by both ensuring and encouraging institutional quality and effectiveness.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Institutions preparing and submitting Midterm Reports, Follow-up Reports, Special Reports, or Teach-out plans/agreements to the Commission should review *Guidelines for Preparing Institutional Reports to the Commission*, found on the ACCJC website at <a href="https://accjc.org/guides-and-manuals/">https://accjc.org/guides-and-manuals/</a>.

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,

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