

February 3, 2026

Dr. Lizette Navarette
President
Woodland Community College
2300 East Gibson Road
Woodland, CA 95776

Dear Dr. Navarette:

The Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, at its meeting January 14-15, 2026, reviewed the Institutional Self-Evaluation Report (ISER) and evidentiary materials submitted by Woodland Community College. The Commission also considered the Peer Review Team Report (Team Report) prepared by the peer review team that conducted its site visit to the College September 15-16, 2025.

The purpose of this review was to determine whether the College continues to meet ACCJC's Eligibility Requirements, Commission Policies, and Accreditation Standards (hereinafter, the Standards). Upon consideration of the written information noted above, the Commission acted to **Reaffirm Accreditation for eight years.**

Commendations

Commendations signify institutional practices which the Commission believes exceed Standards. The Commission recognizes the exemplary performance of Woodland Community College in the following areas.

Standard 2.8 (Commendation 1): The Commission commends the College for exceeding the Standard of fostering a sense of belonging and community. This is most notable in the work of the Recovery Scholars Club, which fosters a sense of belonging and community particularly for the varied needs of the student population of Lake County. The Recovery Scholars Club provides a safe, supportive, and inspiring environment for students who are rebuilding their lives after incarceration, come from disadvantaged backgrounds, or are navigating the challenges of addiction.

Compliance Requirements

None.

Recommendations for Improving Institutional Effectiveness

The Peer Review Team Report noted Recommendation 1 (Standard 2.6, *Policy on Distance Education and on Correspondence Education*) for improving institutional effectiveness. Improvement recommendations do not identify current areas of deficiency in institutional practice, but consistent with its mission to foster continuous improvement through the peer review process, the Commission encourages institutions to give serious consideration to these recommendations and the advice contained in the Peer Review Team Report. In the Midterm Report, the College will include actions taken in response to the improvement recommendations.

Next Steps

The Peer Review Team Report provides details of the peer review team's findings, including areas of noteworthy practice. The guidance and recommendations contained in the Peer Review Team Report represent the best advice of the team at the time of the visit but may not describe all that is necessary for the College to improve. A final copy of the Peer Review Team Report is attached.

The Commission requires that you disseminate the ISER, the Peer Review Team Report, and this letter to all campus constituencies and the public by placing copies on the College website within seven business days of your receipt. Please note that in response to public interest in accreditation, the Commission requires institutions to post current accreditation information on a web page no more than one click from the institution's home page. In keeping with ACCJC policy, the Commission action will also be posted on the ACCJC website within 30 days of the date of the Commission's action.

The next report from the College will be the Midterm Report¹ due on October 15, 2029. The institution's next comprehensive review will begin with Team ISER Review in the spring term of 2033 and conclude with a Focused Site Visit in the fall term of 2033.

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

¹ Institutions preparing and submitting Midterm Reports, Follow-up Reports, Special Reports, or Teach-out Plans/Agreements to the Commission should review the Accreditation Handbook and applicable report template available on the ACCJC website at <https://accjc.org/accreditation-handbook-and-report-templates/>.

If you have any questions about this letter or the Commission's action, please feel free to contact Dr. Mac Powell or the vice president assigned as liaison to your institution.

Sincerely,

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Mac Powell, MBA, Ph.D.
President

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Kathleen F. Burke, Ed.D.
Chair

cc: Dr. Kathy Sorensen, Accreditation Liaison Officer
Dr. Shouan Pan, Chancellor, Yuba Community College District