



ACCREDITING COMMISSION for COMMUNITY and JUNIOR COLLEGES
Western Association of Schools and Colleges

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This message is being sent on behalf of the Executive Committee of the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC) to CEOs of Member Institutions

Dear CEO:

I am sending this email from the ACCJC Executive Committee to inform you that last Wednesday, September 14, 2016 we received email notification from ACCJC President Barbara Beno of her intention to retire. The Commission accepted Dr. Beno's retirement to take effect on June 30, 2017.

The Commission will begin transition planning immediately to ensure continuity of service to our member institutions during this period of change. The national search for a new ACCJC President is expected to begin early in 2017. Please rest assured that you will be informed of steps being taken to recruit a new President and any other developments as we move forward.

We look forward to maintaining the Commission's work with member institutions and the forward momentum toward enhanced accreditation systems and processes. Thank you for your continued support of ACCJC and the American accreditation system of peer evaluation.

Sincerely,

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