



ACCREDITING COMMISSION FOR
COMMUNITY AND JUNIOR COLLEGES
WESTERN ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES

Dear CEOs, ALOs, Faculty, and Campus Leaders,

I am thrilled to share the exciting news of significant enrollment growth at many of our campuses, surpassing pre-pandemic levels, alongside a noteworthy reduction in compliance issues identified by our peer reviewers over the past two cycles. These achievements reflect the dedication and hard work of each of you and are a testament to our collective commitment to advancing the quality of education across our region.

As we move forward, I want to reaffirm ACCJC's dedication to our 2024 Standards, with a strong emphasis on equitable outcomes for all students. Our mission extends beyond the traditional cycles of reporting and campus visits; it includes a deep engagement in educational programming that underscores the value of two-year education and the power of storytelling to amplify the outstanding work happening across our membership.

ACCJC is fortunate to have four outstanding vice presidents, each with significant experience in the classroom, campus governance, and as peer reviewers. Our liaison model, which boasts the smallest ratio of institutions to liaisons in accreditation, allows us to provide personalized support tailored to the unique challenges and priorities of each campus. I have encouraged our team to deepen our engagement, tailor accreditation teams to address the most pressing issues on your campuses, and leverage our network to foster collaboration across the region, sharing empirically proven solutions that drive student success.

Through collaboration with many of you, ACCJC is making progress on our strategic plan initiatives to strengthen our work and assist our members with institutional transformation, mission fulfillment, and improved outcomes for students.

I look forward to connecting with many of you at our regional convenings planned for the year ahead and during my campus visits as part of [ACCJC On The Move](#), where we will highlight high-impact practices across our membership.

Congratulations again on the remarkable accomplishments you have achieved. I am excited about the year ahead as we continue our important work together of advancing educational quality and the achievement of equitable outcomes for all students.

Warm regards,

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[ACCJC On the Move](#)

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