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Dr. Erlinda Martinez
President
Santa Ana College
1530 W. 17th Street
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Dear President Martinez:

The Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, Western Association of Schools and Colleges, at its meeting January 11-13, 2011, reviewed the Follow-Up Report submitted by the College. The Commission notes that Santa Ana College has resolved the issue noted in District Recommendation 1 from the 2008 comprehensive evaluation team on evaluating planning processes including integration of technology, staffing, and facilities master plans to ensure the budget is used as planning tool to achieve strategic goals.

The Follow-Up Report will become part of the accreditation history of the College and should be used in preparing for the next comprehensive evaluation. The Commission requires that you give the report and this letter appropriate dissemination to your college staff and to those who were signatories of your college report. This group should include the Chancellor, campus leadership, and the Board of Trustees. The Commission also requires that all reports be made available to students and the public. Placing copies in the college library can accomplish this.

All colleges are required to file a Midterm Report in the third year after each comprehensive evaluation. Santa Ana College should submit the Midterm Report by **October 15, 2011**.

Commission Reminder: The Commission expects that institutions meet standards that require the identification and assessment of student learning outcomes, and the use of assessment data to plan and implement improvements to educational quality, by fall 2012. The Commission reminds Santa Ana College that it must be prepared to demonstrate that it meets these standards by fall 2012 (Standards I.B.1, II.A.2.e, II.A.2.f, II.B.4, and II.C.2).

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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 quality.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Barbara A. Beno".

Barbara A. Beno, Ph.D.
President

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cc: Dr. Raul Rodriguez, Chancellor, Rancho Santiago CCD
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