

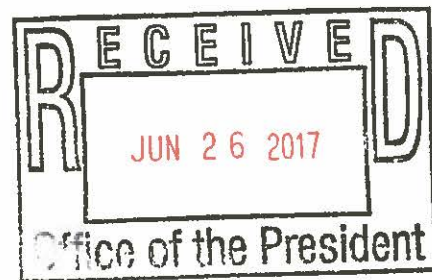


Middle States Commission on Higher Education

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June 23, 2017

Dr. Quintin Bullock
President
Community College of Allegheny County
800 Allegheny Avenue
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Dear Dr. Bullock:

At its session on June 22, 2017, the Middle States Commission on Higher Education acted:

To warn the institution that its accreditation may be in jeopardy due to insufficient evidence that the institution is currently in compliance with Standard 14 (Assessment of Student Learning). To note that the institution remains accredited while on warning. To request a monitoring report, due March 1, 2018 documenting that the institution has achieved and can sustain ongoing compliance with Standard 14, including but not limited to evidence of an organized and systematic student learning assessment process with (1) clear guidelines and timetables, (2) assessment of student learning in all programs, including general education, (3) documented use of assessment results to inform teaching, learning and resource allocation, and shared with appropriate constituents; and (4) results that provide sufficient, convincing evidence that students are achieving key institutional and program learning outcomes (Standard 14). A small team visit will follow submission of the report. To direct a prompt Commission liaison guidance visit to discuss the Commission's expectations. Upon reaffirmation of accreditation, the next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2025-2026.

This action is a non-compliance action and includes a request for a monitoring report and a visit. An explanation of this type of action is provided in the Commission's policy *Accreditation Actions*.

For more information on submitting a follow-up report, please see Commission guidelines *Follow-up Reports and Visits*. The institution is obligated to make a full and honest disclosure in its reports.

Enclosed is a copy of the institution's Statement of Accreditation Status (SAS) for your review. If any of the factual information is incorrect, please contact the Commission as soon as possible.

A Public Disclosure Statement (PDS) has also been developed, consistent with the Commission's policy on *Public Communication in the Accrediting Process*. The statement provides an explanation of the nature of the institutional accreditation action that has been taken by the Commission. The PDS will accompany the institution's SAS and will be made available on the Middle States Commission on Higher Education website. In accordance with federal regulation, both documents will be made available to the public. If any of the factual information in these documents is incorrect, please contact the Commission as soon as possible. Also in accordance with federal regulation, your institution is invited to submit an official statement. The statement may be linked to the PDS from your institution's website or the Commission may include a web reference to your institution's website.

In accordance with Commission policy, the accreditation status of the institution must be accurately represented. Please ensure that published references to your institution's candidate status or accredited status (catalog, other publications, web page) are accurate and include the full name, address, and telephone number of the accrediting agency, and the effective date (month and year) when status was granted. Candidate for Accreditation is a status with the Commission that indicates that an institution has achieved membership and is progressing toward, but is not assured of, accreditation.

Please be assured of the continuing interest of the Middle States Commission on Higher Education in the well-being of Community College of Allegheny County. If any further clarification is needed regarding the SAS or other items in this letter, please feel free to contact Dr. Christy L. Faison, Vice President.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gary L. Wirt". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Gary L. Wirt, Ed.D.
Chair