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Dear Campus Community:

Imperial Valley College is fully accredited by the Accrediting Commission of Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC) of the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC). The current accreditation status extends into 2019.

As President of Imperial Valley College, I am pleased to announce the college is now beginning an extensive self-study and evaluation in preparation for our application for reaffirmation of accreditation.

Typically, an institution will spend up to two years conducting the self-evaluation and developing the self-study for submission to the ACCJC. The entire self-study process is being coordinated through the College's Continuous Accreditation Readiness Team (CART).

Administrators, faculty, staff, and students are now coming together to form inquiry teams to address the variety of programs for effectiveness and improvement. The accreditation standards address such issues as the college's mission, effectiveness, and integrity; the soundness of the instructional and student support services; the human, physical, technological, and financial resources of the institution; as well as the governance and decision-making process of the college.

I will continue to provide updates to the campus community as the college conducts the self-study. Members of the college community who would like to volunteer to serve on an inquiry team should contact the Office of the Vice-President for Academic Services, Dr. Nicholas Akinkouye (Liaison Accreditation Officer) at 760-355-6215. Thank you all for your service,

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