

January 24, 2018

Dr. David N. Beyer President Everett Community College 2000 Tower Street Everett, WA 98201

Dear President Beyer:

This letter serves as formal notification and official record of action taken concerning the Fall 2017 Year Seven Evaluation of Everett Community College by the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities (NWCCU) at its meeting on January 10-12, 2018. This action was taken after consideration of evidence, including the Institutional Self-Evaluation Report, the Peer Evaluation Report, the optional Institutional Response to the Peer Evaluation Report, and information received as part of the institutional representative meeting with Commissioners.

Based on these materials and deliberations, the Commissioners took the following actions.

Accreditation

• Reaffirm Accreditation

Status of Previous Recommendations Addressed in This Evaluation

• Recommendations 1 and 2 of the Spring 2013 Year Three Peer Evaluation are fulfilled.

Recommendations: Fall 2017 Year Seven Evaluation Substantially in Compliance but in Need of Improvement

The Commission recommends that the institution:

- 1. Review and implement a technology update and replacement plan to ensure its technological infrastructure is adequate to support its operations, programs, and services (Standard 2.G.8).
- 2. Continue to improve and refine the core theme indicators of achievement pertaining to Core Theme 5 to increase their meaningfulness and appropriateness (Standard 4.A.1).

Required Follow-Up

• Submit an Addendum to the Fall 2020 Mid-Cycle Report to address Recommendations 1 and 2 of the Fall 2017 Year Seven Peer Evaluation Report.

Commendations: Fall 2017 Year Seven Evaluation

The Commission commends Everett Community College in particular for the following:

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- 1. Everett Community College is to be commended for its commitment to, and sustained engagement in, systems thinking and cross functional collaboration as an identified institutional core competency through the intentional integration of the three pillars of Strategic Enrollment Management, Guided Pathways, and Equity, i.e., "The Everett Way".
- 2. Everett Community College is to be commended for its development of strategic networks and partnerships to advance institutional innovation, strengthen student learning, and drive workforce and economic vitality in the region.
- 3. Everett Community College is to be commended for its dedication to inclusion and social justice by focusing on eliminating internal gaps through the implementation of the five dimensions of equity, extending their positive influence from the campus into the community.

Future Evaluations

- Mission and Core Themes Report in Spring 2019
- Mid-Cycle Evaluation in Fall 2020
- Year Seven Evaluation in Fall 2024

NWCCU is committed to an accreditation process that adds value to institutions while contributing to public accountability, and we thank you for your continued support of this process. If you have questions about any of the information in this letter, please contact NWCCU.

Sincerely,

Marlene Moore

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cc: Ms. Heather Bennett, Executive Director of Institutional Effectiveness & Resource Development Mr. Michael Deller, Chair, Board of Trustees Dr. Camille Preus, Chair, Evaluation Committee