



ACCREDITING COMMISSION for COMMUNITY and JUNIOR COLLEGES
Western Association of Schools and Colleges

Barbara A. Beno, President
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July 8, 2016

Ms. Katiina Dull
President
Young Americans College of the Performing Arts
1132 Olympic Drive
Corona, CA 92881

Dear President Dull:

The Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, Western Association of Schools and Colleges, at its meeting June 8-10, 2016, reviewed the Eligibility Application prepared by the Young Americans College of the Performing Arts. The Commission found the College meets all Eligibility Requirements and acted to **Grant Eligibility**. The Commission noted the Eligibility Application was very well prepared and fully covered all requirements.

As a result of the Commission's action, the Young Americans College of the Performing Arts is now eligible to conduct a self evaluation using the *Eligibility, Candidacy and Initial Accreditation Manual* and the *Guide to Evaluating Institutions*. Submission of an Institutional Self Evaluation Report will be followed by an evaluation team visit for the purpose of assessing that the institution meets or exceeds the Commission's Standards of Accreditation. Typically, the outcome of that review takes one of three forms: 1) candidacy, 2) denial of candidacy, or 3) deferral of a decision on candidacy.

On behalf of the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, I wish to welcome you to the next phase of activity. The Commission looks forward to the Candidacy application from the college. During the period in which the institution prepares its Institutional Self Evaluation Report in application for candidacy, it does not have a publicly recognized relationship with the ACCJC as an accredited institution and cannot represent itself to current or prospective students, the public, governmental agencies, other accrediting bodies, or any other interested parties as having an affiliated status with the Commission.

The date of the evaluation team visit will depend on a time frame developed jointly by the Young Americans College of the Performing Arts and the ACCJC staff. Staff is available to provide assistance and self evaluation training to the College during this period. The College is encouraged to take the time necessary to use the self evaluation process for its primary purpose, as a tool for rigorous institutional analysis and improvement.

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The ACCJC conducts its business in an atmosphere of mutual trust and respect for each of its member institutions, while maintaining its responsibilities to its multiple publics. Voluntary, non-governmental accreditation as practiced by the regional accrediting bodies provides quality assurance to the public and a vehicle for institutional improvement. We believe that this system has served institutions and the public well, and remains the best means of assuring quality, integrity, and effectiveness in higher education.

Sincerely,

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

Barbara A. Beno, Ph.D.
President

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cc: Board President, Young Americans College of the Performing Arts