March 12, 1997

Dr. Homero López
Provost
Maricopa County Community College—Estrella Mountain Community College Center
3000 North Dysart Road
Avondale, AZ 85323-1000

Dear Provost López:

I am delighted to inform you of the [redacted] of accreditation to Maricopa County Community College—Estrella Mountain Community College Center, to congratulate you on this significant achievement, and to welcome your institution into the membership of the North Central Association. I look forward to your institution's participation in the work of the Commission and your participation in the North Central Association.

This letter is formal notification of the action taken concerning Maricopa County Community College—Estrella Mountain Community College Center by the Commission on Institutions of Higher Education. At its meeting on March 5-7, 1997, the Commission voted to grant initial accreditation to Maricopa County Community College—Estrella Mountain Community College Center, and to adopt the other items entered on the attached Statement of Affiliation Status.

Changes in your institution that would require further Commission action prior to their initiation are found in Chapter 12 of Handbook of Accreditation. Please review them with care.

Information about informing the public of this action is found in Chapter 15 of the Commission's Handbook.

On behalf of the Commission I thank you and your associates for your cooperation. If you have questions about this action or about Commission policies and procedures please write or call Dr. Cecilia L. López, who is the member of our staff responsible for providing continuing assistance to Maricopa County Community College—Estrella Mountain Community College Center.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Acting Executive Director

Enclosures: Statement of Affiliation Status
Statement of Affiliation Status Worksheet
Record of Status and Scope

cc: Evaluation Team Members
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3000 North Dysart Road
Avondale, AZ 85323-1000
(602) 935-8010
Dr. Homero López, Provost

Statement of Affiliation Status
Status: Accredited (1997-)
Highest degree awarded: Associate's.
Most recent action: March 7, 1997.
Stipulations on affiliation status: None.
New degree sites: Prior Commission approval required.
Progress reports required: 12/1/98; A report on the plan for Assessment of Student Academic Achievement.
Monitoring reports required: None.
Contingency reports required: None.
Other visits required: None.
Next comprehensive evaluation: 2001-02.

Statement of Institutional Scope and Activities
Legal status: Public institution.
Fall 1995 student FTE: 0.
Fall 1995 student headcount: 0.
Number of degree programs: NR.
Degree sites with full services: Home campus.
Other degree sites: None.
Other sites: None.
Other program features: None.
STATEMENT OF AFFILIATION STATUS

MARICOPA COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE—ESTRELLA MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY COLLEGE CENTER
3000 North Dysart Road
Avondale, AZ 85323-1000

(Effective March 7, 1997)

Status: Accredited (1997-.)

Highest degree awarded: Associate's.

Most recent action: March 7, 1997.

Stipulations on affiliation status: None.

New degree sites: Prior Commission approval required.

Progress reports required: 12/1/98; A report on the plan for Assessment of Student Academic Achievement.

Monitoring reports required: None.

Contingency reports required: None.

Other visits required: None.


Next comprehensive evaluation: 2001-02.
CONSENT AGENDA
ACTION ITEM

Governing Board Agenda
Meeting Date: December 10, 1996

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RECOMMENDATION

It is respectfully recommended that the Governing Board approve the name change of Estrella Mountain Community College Center to Estrella Mountain Community College.

JUSTIFICATION

On Wednesday, November 20, 1996, Estrella Mountain Community College Center received a preliminary report from the visiting accreditation team indicating that they would be recommended for full accreditation with the maximum of five years.

This recommendation will go before the Commission of the North Central Association shortly. Contingent upon approval from the North Central Association, we respectfully recommend that the name Estrella Mountain Community College Center be changed to Estrella Mountain Community College.

Funding

Source
Acctng. Ident.

Approvals/Certifications

Chancellor
Educ. Dev.
Bus. Serv.
Planning
Legal
Human Res.
College Pres.
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Submitted by: