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Dear CSM Community,

I wanted to share a very important announcement with you regarding the State Chancellor's Office's Task Force Report on Accreditation. I am very proud of our Board of Trustees and Chancellor Galatolo, as well as the faculty, classified staff, administrators in this district. We have all been on the same page regarding ACCJC. Frankly, we have been one of the few Districts in the state to take a risk and stand for what is right by voicing our concerns regarding the ACCJC. You will see that the findings of the task force validate what we have been saying for years.

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SACRAMENTO, Calif. – California Community Colleges Chancellor Brice W. Harris issued the following statement on today's release of the report by the 2015 Chancellor's Office Task Force Report on Accreditation:

"I'd like to thank the task force members for their work on this document. I generally agree with the findings and believe that it is in the best interest of our 2.1 million students that we begin a conversation focused on changing the way our colleges are accredited in the future. Regional accreditation is vitally important in helping to ensure academic quality, but the current approach is not serving our colleges and students well. I look forward to discussing these recommendations with our shared governance body and with the Board of Governors to seek their input."

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION: The 2015 Chancellor's Office Task Force Report on Accreditation report is available at: <http://californiacommunitycolleges.cccco.edu/Portals/0/reports/2015-Accreditation-Report-ADA.pdf>

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