

October 7, 2021

**ELECTRONIC DELIVERY**

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Center for Excellence in Higher Education  
4021 South 700 East, Suite 400  
Salt Lake City, Utah 84107

RE: California College San Diego – National City, California  
California College San Diego – San Marcos, California  
CollegeAmerica – Phoenix, Arizona

Dear ██████████

On September 17, 2021, the Accrediting Commission of Career Schools and Colleges (“ACCSC” or “the Commission”) informed Center for Excellence in Higher Education (“CEHE”) of the withdrawal of accreditation for the schools listed above for the reasons set forth in that letter. The September 17, 2021 letter also informed the schools of the right to appeal and that in order to do so, the schools were required to submit the Letter of Intent to Appeal a Commission Decision no later than September 27, 2021.

The schools did not submit the Letter of Intent to Appeal a Commission Decision and as such the withdrawal of accreditation determination for the schools listed above is final as of the date of the August 1, 2021 closure (*Section VII (B), (P)(6), & (Q)(4), Rules of Process and Procedure, Standards of Accreditation*).

Although the schools referenced above have closed, should operations begin again, the schools must ensure that there are no references to or claims of ACCSC accreditation in their catalogs, advertising, statements, or promotional materials (*Section VII (P)(5)(a-b) & (Q)(3)(a-b), Rules of Process and Procedure; Section IV (B)(1), Substantive Standards; Standards of Accreditation*).

Sincerely,

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Michale S. McComis, Ed.D.  
Executive Director



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September 17, 2021

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Dear ██████████

The Accrediting Commission of Career Schools and Colleges (“ACCSC” or “the Commission”) acknowledges that following schools operated by the Center for Excellence in Higher Education (“CEHE”) closed and ceased providing education and training effective August 1, 2021:

- California College San Diego – National City, California
- California College San Diego – San Marcos, California
- CollegeAmerica – Phoenix, Arizona

Pursuant to *Section VII (P)(6) & (Q)(4), Rules of Process and Procedure, Standards of Accreditation*, the Commission considers a school to have had its accreditation withdrawn if the school closes without notification or closes without an approved teach-out plan (to include as necessary an approved teach-out agreement) that the school faithfully executes. The above-listed institutions:

- Failed to notify ACCSC prior to closure on August 1, 2021;<sup>1</sup>
- Failed to faithfully execute teach-out plans on file with ACCSC; and
- Closed without an approved teach-out agreement as had been required by ACCSC.<sup>2</sup>

Accordingly, the accreditation for each of these campuses is considered withdrawn effective August 1, 2021.

In accordance with *Section X (C)&(D), Rules of Process and Procedure, Standards of Accreditation*, the reasons for the withdrawal are made public and provided to the U.S. Department of Education, appropriate state agencies, and appropriate accrediting agencies.

### **APPEAL PROCESS AND PROCEDURE**

CEHE may opt to appeal this determination. Details regarding the appeal procedures are outlined in *Section VIII, Rules of Process and Procedures, Standards of Accreditation*.

- If the school elects to appeal this withdrawal, the school must sign and return the enclosed Letter of Intent to Appeal a Commission Decision, along with the Appeal Expense Fee of \$6,000.00 for each campus, **on or before September 27, 2021.**
- If the school elects to appeal this withdrawal, the school’s Application for Appeal of a Commission Decision and Grounds for Appeal must be submitted **on or before October 17, 2021.**

<sup>1</sup> See the Commission’s August 2, 2021 letter.

<sup>2</sup> See the Commission’s July 23, 2021 letter.

- If CEHE elects not to appeal the withdrawal of the schools' accreditation, this determination will become final as of August 1, 2021. The school may submit **comments on or before September 27, 2021** in accordance with the enclosed Public Comment Disclosure Form. Comments submitted by a school will accompany any public disclosure of a final Commission action pursuant to *Section X (D)(4), Rules of Process and Procedure, Standards of Accreditation*.

For additional information regarding this determination, please contact me directly at [REDACTED]

Sincerely

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