

October 3, 2025

**ELECTRONIC DELIVERY** 

Vice President of Campus Operations Aviator College of Aeronautical Science & Technology 606 Dyer Blvd. Kissimmee, Florida 34741

School #B072629
Withdrawal of Accreditation

Dear :

At the August 2025 meeting, the Accrediting Commission of Career Schools and Colleges ("ACCSC" or "the Commission") considered the previous decision to place Aviator College of Aeronautical Science & Technology ("ACAST")located in Kissimmee, Florida on Probation in relation to the following:

- The Commission's May 8, 2025 Probation;
- ACAST's Response to the Commissions May 8, 2025 Probation, submitted on July 1, 2025<sup>1</sup>;
- ACAST's Additional Information Response to the Commissions May 8, 2025 Probation, submitted on July 18, 2025; and
- The record of reviews leading up to the Probation action with regard to the school's:
  - o Application for Renewal of Accreditation and
  - o Modification of Ownership Report.

The Commission noted that the accredited status of the branch campus is dependent upon the continued accreditation of the main school (Section VIII (B)(2), Substantive Standards, Standards of Accreditation). As the Commission voted to withdraw the accreditation of Aviator College of Aeronautical Science & Technology (#M060148) located in Fort Pierce, Florida, and remove that school from the ACCSC list of accredited institutions, the Commission also voted to withdraw the accreditation of Aviator College of Aeronautical Science & Technology (#B072629) located in Kissimmee, Florida, and remove the school from the ACCSC list of accredited institutions.<sup>2</sup>

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### **Teach-Out Plan and Teach-Out Agreement**

The Commission directs the school to provide an <u>Institutional Teach-out Plan Approval Form</u>, which must be submitted in conjunction with the notice provided to students as listed below (*Section IV* (*F*)(2)(*b*) Rules of Process and Procedure, Standards of Accreditation). ACAST must demonstrate how it will ensure the opportunity for students to complete their program of study either by ACAST or through an agreement with another accredited institution(s) approved to offer a program comparative to ACAST's. If ACAST intends for another institution to complete the training of the students, then the school must submit the <u>Institutional Teach-Out Agreement Approval Form</u>. The teach-out plan/agreement must contemplate the loss of

<sup>1</sup> Although this response is dated June 13, 2025, the response was not received by ACCSC until July 14, 2025.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The Commission noted that although the ground for withdrawal is based on the action for the main school, Aviator College of Aeronautical Science & Technology (#M060148) located in Fort Pierce, Florida, the branch campus did not fully resolve the Commission's compliance concerns in the areas of retention of management, student achievement, graduate employment verification, refund policy, student satisfaction, professional development, recruitment policies and procedures, admissions, advertising, leaves of absence, and disclosure of student achievement rates.

accreditation and concordant loss of state or federal funding. The school's Institutional Teach-Out Plan and if practicable and necessary the Institutional Teach-out Agreement Approval Form should be submitted <u>on</u> or before October 13, 2025.

#### **Notification to Students:**

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Within seven days of receipt of the Withdrawal of Accreditation, the school must:

- a. Inform current and prospective students in writing of the withdrawal of accreditation decision and indicate where that action can be obtained from the Commission's website;
- b. If the school chooses to appeal a withdrawal of accreditation decision, then the school must inform current and prospective students of the appeal and that the school is on Probation during the appeal process; and
- c. Once a decision to withdraw accreditation is final, then the school must within seven days inform current and prospective students that the withdrawal of accreditation action is final. A school must delete all references to and claims of ACCSC accreditation from the school's website, catalog, enrollment agreement, advertising, and promotional materials immediately after withdrawal of accreditation.

The school must upload a copy of the notice provided to students to ACCSC's College 360 Database no later than October 13, 2025.

#### **Appeal and Reapplication Process and Procedure**

ACAST may opt to appeal the Commission's decision to withdraw accreditation or may elect to reapply for accreditation. Details regarding the reapplication and appeal procedures are outlined in the ACCSC Rules of Process and Procedures, Standards of Accreditation.

- If ACAST elects to appeal this decision, the school must sign and return the enclosed Letter of Intent to Appeal a Commission Decision, along with the Appeal Expense Fee of \$8,000.00, on or before October 13, 2025.
- If ACAST elects to appeal this decision, the school's Application for Appeal of a Commission Decision and Grounds for Appeal must be submitted **on or before November 3, 2025.**
- If ACAST elects not to appeal this decision, the Commission's decision will become effective on October 13, 2025. The school may submit comments on or before October 13, 2025 in accordance with the enclosed Public Comment Disclosure Form. Comments submitted by the 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.
- In accordance with Section VII (Q)(7) Rules of Process and Procedure, Standards of Accreditation, the school may reapply no sooner than nine months from the date on which the withdrawal of accreditation becomes effective.

For additional information regarding the Commission's decision, please contact me directly at

Sincerely.

**Executive Director** 

c:
Aviator College of Aeronautical Science & Technology (School #M060148)

Encls: Letter of Intent to Appeal a Commission Decision ACCSC Standing Appeals Commission Members Public Comment Disclosure Form



#### **LETTER OF INTENT TO APPEAL A COMMISSION DECISION**

#### To Be Submitted No Later Than October 13, 2025

Michale S. McComis, Ed.D. Executive Director ACCSC 2101 Wilson Boulevard, Suite #302 Arlington, Virginia 22201

Dear Dr. McComis:

This letter serves to provide notice that Aviator College of Aeronautical Science & Technology located in Kissimmee, Florida, intend to appeal the recent decision of the Commission to withdraw the schools' accreditation and remove the schools from the list of ACCSC-accredited institutions. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$8,000 and a copy of the notification provided to students as required by accreditation procedures. I understand that the appeal fee is non-refundable.

I understand that an ACCSC Sitting Appeals Panel will meet to consider the appeal of the school and that I will receive final confirmation of the hearing at a later date. I have reviewed Section VIII, Rules of Process and Procedure of the Standards of Accreditation pertaining to appeals and noted that I am entitled to a transcript of the proceedings and to have representatives, including legal counsel, present with advance notification to ACCSC.

I understand that it is the right of a school to appeal an adverse accreditation decision taken by the Commission on the grounds that the decision was arbitrary, capricious, or otherwise in disregard of the criteria or procedures of the Commission, or not supported by substantial evidence in the record on which the Commission took the action (Section VIII (B), Rules of Process and Procedures, Standards of Accreditation). I understand that because the appeal must be based on evidence in the record at the time that the Commission took the adverse action, no new evidence may be submitted during the appeal process, except as allowed for under Section VIII (C)(2)(c), Rules of Process and Procedure, Standards of Accreditation.

I understand that it is the right of a school intending to appeal a Commission decision to indicate whether there is good cause as to why any member of the Commission's Standing Appeal Panel should not hear the appeal. I have reviewed the list of Standing Appeal Panel members and have included with this notice any objections to any member of the Standing Appeal Panel with the reasons and cause why I believe that member should not hear the school's appeal. I understand the absence of a submission with this notice indicates my approval to allow any member of the Standing Appeal Panel to sit for the school's appeal.

I understand that the *Application for Appeal of Commission Decision* along with the school's Grounds for Appeal are due to ACCSC <u>on or before November 3, 2025</u>, and I agree to submit that material on or before that date. I understand that failure to submit these required documents by the due date could prevent consideration of the school's appeal.

Signature	Date
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Name/Title	



**ACCSC Standing Appeals Panel Members** 

Panel Member	Affiliation	Term Ending



# PUBLIC COMMENT DISCLOSURE FORM

## To Be Submitted No Later Than October 13, 2025

Michale S. McComis, Ed.D. Executive Director ACCSC 2101 Wilson Boulevard, Suite #302 Arlington, Virginia 22201

RE: Aviator College of Aeronautical Science & Technology

606 Dyer Blvd.

Kissimmee, Florida 34946

I understand and agree that the Commission, pursuant to Section X(C)(4) & (D)(4), Rules of Process and Procedure, Standards of Accreditation, will make public the reasons for the decision together with any comments submitted by the school. I further understand that the summary will be accompanied by the attached comments.

I understand and agree that the attached comments constitute the school's public comments on the adverse accreditation action that are to be disseminated with the public notice of the Commission's adverse accreditation decision including, but not limited to, dissemination to appropriate federal, state and other accrediting agencies and posting to the ACCSC website (Section X(C)(4) & (D)(4), Rules of Process and Procedure, Standards of Accreditation).

I understand and agree that the school is not obligated to submit public comments and acknowledge that the attached comments are provided voluntarily.

I understand and agree that the school's public comments must be in summary format, professional in tone, and free of profanity and calumnious statements and limited to two typed pages. I acknowledge that any comments which do not meet these requirements will not be disseminated or posted along with the summary of the reasons for the adverse accreditation decision.

I understand and agree that the Commission will release the adverse accreditation decision to the public pursuant to  $Section\ X\ (D)(3)$ ,  $Rules\ of\ Process\ and\ Procedure$ ,  $Standards\ of\ Accreditation$  and that the school's written comments will not be added to this disclosure if this form and the comments are not submitted in the required format on or or before October 13, 2025.

I understand and agree that the Commission used once put into the public domain.	on has no responsibility for how the school's comments may be
Signature	Date
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