January 26, 2023

Dr. Carlos Peñaloza  
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Leeward Community College  
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Dear Dr. Peñaloza:

The Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, Western Association of Schools and Colleges, at its meeting January 11-12, 2023, reviewed the Midterm Report and related evidentiary materials submitted by Leeward Community College. The purpose of the review was to determine the degree to which the institution has made progress in implementing its plans and improving outcomes related to student achievement. After consideration of the Report, the Commission has determined that the institution’s progress is appropriate and has accepted the Report. The Commission requires that you disseminate the Midterm Report and this letter to all campus constituencies and the public by placing copies on the College website within seven business days of your receipt.

On behalf of the Commission, we wish to acknowledge the College’s commitment to improvement as it continues its efforts in the best interests of its students. We look forward to working with the College as it prepares for its next comprehensive review, which will begin with Team ISER Review in the spring term of 2025 and conclude with a Focused Site Visit in the fall term of 2025.

Sincerely,

Mac Powell, MBA, Ph.D.  
President  

Lori Gaskin, Ph.D.  
Chair

cc: Dr. Erika Lacro, Vice President for Community Colleges, University of Hawai‘i  
Ms. P. Jayne Bopp, Accreditation Liaison Officer