

## SPRING 2008 LETTER FROM LANEY COLLEGE PRESIDENT

Dear Laney College Community,

I am writing to remind you of the importance for all of us of the ongoing Laney College Self Study.

As you know, the Self Study is a key part of the accreditation process, and it requires attention, participation, and diligence from each one of us.

After all, successfully securing re-accreditation is essential to our college's mission to serve students, and I know that we all want to ensure that Laney will continue to offer optimal learning opportunities for our diverse, knowledge-hungry communities.

In the weeks and months to come, please make every effort to contribute to and support the Self Study effort. Our Accreditation Liaison Officer, Dr. Elnora Webb, in conjunction with Drs. Karolyn van Putten and Matthew Goldstein, the Self Study co-chairs, look forward to your cooperation and feedback.

Let's remember, too, that a number of important Self Study-related dates are fast approaching, soonest among them the April 28 campus visit by a team from the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC). I hope and expect to see Laney students, staff, faculty, and administrators working hard to make the ACCJC team's visit as pleasant, comfortable, and productive as possible.

Finally, I would like to offer special thanks to the eleven Standard Committee co-chairs, the campus leaders without whose efforts the Self Study would not be possible: Russell Southall and David Jones (Standard I, Institutional Mission & Effectiveness); Barbara Yasue, Angela Cherry, and Margaret Traylor (Standard II, Student Learning Programs & Services); Danielle Robledo, Leslee Stradford, Alexandra Cipher, and Inger Stark (Standard III, Resources); and Wandra Williams and Tim Rose (Standard IV, Leadership and Governance).

If you have any questions or concerns, please give them directly to Drs. van Putten and Goldstein (kvanputten@peralta.edu, X3195; mgoldstein@peralta.edu, X3156). Again, I look forward to your participation and support in what certainly ranks as one of the most important projects on campus.



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