

July 6, 2016

Dr. L. Michael Metke President Tyler Junior College P. O. Box 9020 Tyler, TX 75711-9020

Dear Dr. Metke:

The following action regarding your institution was taken by the Board of Trustees of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges during its meeting held on June 16, 2016:

The SACSCOC Board of Trustees awarded membership at Level II, offering the Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene, and authorized a Substantive Change Committee to visit the institution to review continued compliance with the *Principles of Accreditation*. Membership at the new degree level will become effective August 2016. If the institution changes the time period for implementing the new degree program from the date specified in the application for level changes, the institution is required to notify SACSCOC President in writing regarding a revised implementation date. However, if the new degree program is not initiated within 18 months of the original designated effective date, the institution will be required to resubmit a new application for approval of the new degree.

Please note that Commission policy states: "An institution may not initiate *any expansion of programs* at the new degree level until *after* the Commission has taken positive action on its continued accreditation following a Substantive Change Committee visit." (See Commission policy "Substantive Change for SACSCOC Accredited Institutions.")

We appreciate your continued support of the activities of SACS Commission on Colleges. If you have questions, please contact the staff member assigned to your institution.

Sincerely,

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Belle S. Wheelan, Ph.D. President

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cc: Dr. Charles A. Taylor, Vice President, SACSCOC