



August 11, 2025

Dr. Faimous Harrison
President
Wenatchee Valley College
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Wenatchee, WA 98801

Dear President Harrison:

This letter serves as formal notification and official record of action taken by the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities (NWCCU) at its meeting on July 8-11, 2025, concerning the Spring 2025 Special Report and the Spring 2025 Policies, Regulations, and Financial Review of Wenatchee Valley College.

Accreditation

Accept the Special Report, Do Not Accept the Policies, Regulations, and Financial Review. The institution must undergo comprehensive Evaluation of Institutional Effectiveness visit in Spring 2026 to address Standards 1 and 2. Issue Sanction of Warning on Recommendations 1 and 2 Spring 2025 Special Report.

Recommendations Out of Compliance

The Commission finds that the following Recommendations are areas where Wenatchee Valley College is out of compliance with the NWCCU Standards for Accreditation. According to U.S. Department of Education Regulation 34 CFR 602.20 and Commission Policy, the Commission requires that Wenatchee Valley College take appropriate action to ensure these Recommendations are addressed and resolved within the prescribed four-year period, by no later than August 2029.

The Commission recommends that Wenatchee Valley College:

- Recommendation 1: Spring 2025 Special Report - All administrators and supervisors receive ongoing quality training on ethical management, ethical operations, transparent communication, and the respectful, consistent, fair, timely, and ethical handling of complaints and grievances. (2020 Standard(s) 2.D.2; ER 7; ER 8)
- Recommendation 2: Spring 2025 Special Report - Employees receive ongoing quality training on effective workplace communication, preventing bullying, harassment, and discrimination, and how the complaint and grievance process works (including confidentiality). (2020 Standard(s) 2.D.2; ER 7; ER 8)

Future Evaluations

- Year 7 - Evaluation of Institutional Effectiveness Spring 2026
 - Recommendation 1: Spring 2025 Special Report
 - Recommendation 2: Spring 2025 Special Report

NWCCU is committed to an accreditation process that adds value to institutions while contributing to public accountability, and we thank you for your continued support of this process. If you have questions about any of the information in this letter, please contact your staff liaison, Dr. Teresa Rivenes, at trivenes@nwccu.org.

Sincerely,

Selena M. Grace
President

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