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**El Camino College Gains Accrediting Commission Approval
To Establish the El Camino College Compton Center**

As El Camino College moves ahead with details involving the agreement to provide educational and necessary support services to residents of the Compton Community College District, approval was secured by a committee of the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC).

The Substantive Change Committee recently granted provisional approval to El Camino College to establish the El Camino College/Compton Community Educational Center. Additionally, the committee referred the substantive change proposal to the full Accrediting Commission for its review and discussion. Federal guidelines require a six-month visit after approval of a new location.

Along with its approval, the committee also requested that El Camino College submit a revised proposal, as well as a status report about the Compton Center which will provide the purpose and context for the visit. The revised proposal, status, and visit reports will be reviewed by the ACCJC at its January 2007 meeting.

The Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges Commission commended El Camino College for its efforts in meeting the educational needs of students in the area.

El Camino College Compton Center will begin the fall semester on Aug. 26, offering fully accredited El Camino College courses on the Compton campus. The overall goal of the plan is to assist the Compton campus with recovery and full accreditation as a two-year public college within the next five to eight years.

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