



Accrediting Commission for Schools Western Association of Schools and Colleges

533 Airport Boulevard, Suite 200 • Burlingame, California 94010
(650) 696-1060 • Fax (650) 696-1867
mail@acs-wasc.org • www.acs-wasc.org

FRED VAN LEUVEN, ED.D.

President

MARILYN S. GEORGE, ED.D.

Vice President

COMMISSION MEMBERS

STEPHEN CATHERS

Chairperson
East Asia Regional Council of Schools

GREGORY FRANKLIN

Vice Chairperson
Association of California School
Administrators

THOMAS ADAMS

California Department of Education

MICHAEL ALVAREZ

Western Catholic Educational Association

SAMANTHA BENISH

California Federation of Teachers

GRANT BENNETT

Association of California School
Administrators

RON CARRUTH

Association of California School
Administrators

NANCY COONIS

Western Catholic Educational Association

ERIKA CRUZ

Pacific Islands

MITCHELL D'OLIER

Public Member, Hawaii

ODIE DOUGLAS

Association of California School
Administrators

LEE DUNCAN

Association of Christian Schools
International

JUAN A. FLECHA

Association of California School
Administrators

ANDREA FUKUMOTO

Hawaii State Department of Education

DAVID GAUDI

Hawaii Association of Independent Schools

MELISSA HANDY

Hawaii Association of Independent Schools

LAURA HERMAN

Charter Schools

DEREK MINAKAMI

Hawaii Government Employees'
Association

JOE MITCHNER

Public Member, California

SUZANNE MULCAHY

Hawaii State Department of Education

BARBARA NUNES

California School Boards Association

DOREEN OLESON

California Association of Independent
Schools

MATTHEW RUSSO

Postsecondary Education

LAUREL SALERNO-WHITE

California Teachers Association

MARSHA SERAFIN

California Association of Private School
Organizations

KIMBERLY SHIELDS

Western Catholic Educational Association

SALLY TODD

Western Catholic Educational Association

BERIT VON POHLE

Pacific Union Conference of Seventh-day
Adventists

JOEL WAHLERS

National Lutheran School Accreditation

DIANA WALSH-REUSS

Association of California School
Administrators

SOPHIA WAUGH

California Congress of Parents and
Teachers, Inc. (PTA)

DAVID YOSHIHARA

Association of California School
Administrators

May 3, 2018

Mr. Scott Ferguson

Principal

Coast Union High School

2950 Santa Rosa Creek Road

Cambria, CA 93428

Dear Mr. Ferguson:

The Accrediting Commission for Schools, Western Association of Schools and Colleges (ACS WASC) announces the action taken at the Spring 2018 Commission Meeting. The ACS WASC Commissioners have determined Coast Union High School (9 - 12) deviates significantly from the ACS WASC criteria for accreditation in one or more critical areas. This accreditation status is based on all of the information provided by the school, including the self-study report, and the results of the on-site accreditation visit.

Therefore, it is the decision of the Commission to grant Probationary Accreditation Status to Coast Union High School through June 30, 2020, with a two-day visit in 2020.

Coast Union High School is required to prepare an in-depth Progress Report for the Probationary Visit. The report and visit should demonstrate that the school has:

- Addressed the critical areas for follow-up through the schoolwide action plan;
- Made appropriate progress on the implementation of the schoolwide action plan; and
- Improved student achievement relative to the schoolwide learner outcomes and the academic standards.

Accreditation status is conditioned upon Coast Union High School's continued adherence with the ACS WASC policies, procedures, and criteria for accreditation. This includes a requirement that an accredited school annually contribute members from the school staff or district to participate on visiting committees. Failure to maintain compliance with said policies, procedures, and standards is grounds for modification and/or withdrawal of the accreditation.

May 3, 2018
Coast Union High School
Page 2

Enclosed please find the ACS WASC Probationary Visit Procedures. For additional information and/or assistance, please contact the ACS WASC office.

The Commission looks forward to Coast Union High School's anticipated success and continuing improvement in keeping with ACS WASC's pursuit of excellence in elementary, secondary, and adult education.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Stephen Cathers". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Stephen" and last name "Cathers" clearly distinguishable.

Stephen Cathers
Commission Chairperson

Enclosure: ACS WASC Probationary Visit Procedures

cc: Visiting Committee Chairperson
Superintendent