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Samantha Haynes, Principal
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Dear Samantha Haynes:

The Accrediting Commission for Schools, Western Association of Schools and Colleges (ACS WASC) announces the action taken at the Spring 2026 Commission Meeting. The ACS WASC Commissioners have determined Blue Ridge Academy (TK-12) meets the ACS WASC criteria for accreditation. This accreditation status is based on all of the information provided by the school, including the school's report, and the satisfactory completion of the accreditation visit.

It is the decision of the Commission to grant six-year accreditation status through June 30, 2032, with a mid-cycle visit during the 2028-2029 school year.

Blue Ridge Academy is required to prepare a report for the mid-cycle visit. The report and visit should demonstrate that the school has: 1) addressed the growth areas for continuous improvement through the schoolwide action plan; 2) made appropriate progress on the implementation of the schoolwide action plan; and 3) improved student achievement relative to the schoolwide learner outcomes and the academic standards.

Accreditation status is conditioned upon Blue Ridge Academy's continued adherence with the ACS WASC policies, procedures, and criteria for accreditation. This includes a requirement that an accredited school annually contribute members 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.

The Commission looks forward to Blue Ridge Academy's anticipated success and continuing improvement in keeping with ACS WASC's pursuit of excellence in elementary, secondary, and adult education.

Sincerely,

Linda Norman, Ed.D.
Commission Chairperson

cc: Brandie Brown, Ken Devor