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# Press Release

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## (Fairfield, California) **SOLANO COMMUNITY COLLEGE OFF SANCTIONS**

Solano Community College has just received the results of the commission action relative to its probationary status. At its January 13<sup>th</sup> meeting the commission has voted to remove the College from probation status. In its letter to the Superintendent/President Laguerre, the President of the Commission, Dr. Barbara Beno, stated “The Commission is pleased to note that the College has now resolved Recommendations 1, 2, 3, 6 and 8 as well as well as all OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS identified in the Commission’s action letters since 2005. The Commission also took action to remove probation...”

Denis Honeychurch, President of the Solano Community College Governing Board thanked the faculty, staff and students for their efforts during the college’s probationary period. “From Show Cause in 2009 to no sanctions at this time indicates clearly that the men and women at the college care deeply about the institution,” he said. The visiting team’s report that was submitted to the Commission states “With the new president on the job for 15 months, the college has resolved the deficiencies cited (vis-à-vis Recommendations 1, 2, 3, 6 and 8) in the January 29, 2010 letter from the

Commission. The visiting team found that the president has established productive, open dialogue with the college community and enjoys the support and cooperation of the Board of Trustees.”

The peer-review accreditation system we are using provides for peers to review their peers. It allows us to support one another. “I benefitted professionally from the support Dr. John Nixon, the chair of our visiting team, has provided to the college. I use his experience in the field as a positive way to enhance my effectiveness in dealing with the accreditation issues and the running of the college.”

The college will use the results of this status to continue to move forward. We want to develop a permanent structure for the college to sustain its development and progress for many years to come. This positive step is for our students, our faculty, our staff, and the communities of Solano County and Winters that stuck with us from the beginning until this day.

## **About Solano Community College**

Solano Community College is celebrating its 65<sup>th</sup> Anniversary this year! The College has been an icon in the county since 1945 when it started at Vallejo Junior College. In the early 1970s, the College moved to its present Fairfield site. The College serves over 12,000 students every semester and over 20,000 over the academic year. In addition to the campus in Fairfield, the College has two Centers at Vallejo and Vacaville, and offers courses at Travis Air Force Base and Nut Tree. The College operates a School of Aeronautics at the Nut Tree Airport. The College offers Associate Degrees and Certificates in various disciplines and provides training in several trades. For more information, please visit us at [www.solano.edu](http://www.solano.edu).

**Vision Statement** - Solano Community College will be a recognized leader in educational excellence — transforming students’ lives.

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