



March 26, 2021

Mr. Tim McDonald
Interim President
Lanier Technical College
2535 Lanier Tech Drive
Gainesville, GA 30507

Dear Mr. McDonald:

Thank you for submitting the following substantive change:

Substantive change:

Program Closure

Technical Certificate of Credit (T.C.C.) in Commercial Truck Driving

Submission date:

10/20/2020

Intended Implementation date:

6/1/2020

Case ID:

SC012115

The letter noted the Technical Certificate of Credit (T.C.C.) program in Commercial Truck Driving was being closed, effective spring 2021. As clarified by email, students were last admitted to the program in summer 2020. The program requires less than one term for completion, and all students graduated in that same term. When an institution closes a program or instructional site, it has an affirmative obligation to seek closure approval from SACSCOC at the time the closure decision is made and prior to the cessation of instruction. The closure date is the date students are no longer admitted.

The two faculty members teaching in the program were informed of the closure in a face-to-face meeting with the institution's president approximately one month prior to closure. One of the instructors indicated he would retire after program closure. The other instructor was informed of services available through the Technical College System of Georgia's Employee Assistance Program and was also referred to the state Department of Labor.

The Board of Trustees of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges approves the late closure of the Technical Certificate of Credit (T.C.C.) program in Commercial Truck Driving.



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Should you need assistance, please contact Dr. Denise Y. Young at 404-679-4501 or via email at dyoung@sacscoc.org.

Please include the Case ID number above in all submissions or correspondence about this substantive change.

Note: The SACSCOC substantive change policy was revised in 2020. It includes many new requirements and changes to previous requirements. The Substantive Change Policy and Procedures and learning resources are available on the substantive change webpage at www.sacscoc.org.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Belle S. Wheelan".

Belle S. Wheelan, Ph.D.
President

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cc: Dr. Joanne P. Tolleson, Vice President of Institutional Effectiveness & Operations
Dr. Denise Y. Young