

September 30, 2013

Dr. Ray Perren President Lanier Technical College 2990 Landrum Education Drive Oakwood, GA 30566

Dear Dr. Perren:

Thank you for your letter of notification, dated July 22, 2013, regarding Lanier Technical College's intent to offer the Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.) in Dental Hygiene degree program, effective fall of 2013.

Lanier Technical College and the University of North Georgia-Gainesville Campus are currently operating under a consortia agreement by which Lanier Technical College delivers all technical courses required for the Dental Hygiene diploma (which Lanier Technical College awards) and the University of North Georgia-Gainesville awards the A.A.S. in Dental Hygiene degree. Lanier Technical College is approved to award A.A.S. degrees.

This consortial agreement will be terminated in May of 2014. Lanier Technical College currently offers 85% of the curriculum required for the A.A.S. in Dental Hygiene degree program. No new faculty, equipment or library/learning resources will be required to offer the proposed A.A.S. in Dental Hygiene degree. No students will be impacted by this change.

As the proposed program does not represent a significant departure from current program offerings, the Commission on Colleges accepts notification of the proposed A.A.S. in Dental Hygiene program, will add this information to the institution's files, and requests no additional information.

Best regards,

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cc: Dr. Joanne Tolleson, Vice President, Institutional Effectiveness

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