



May 27, 2022

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

Dear Mr. McDonald:

Thank you for submitting the following substantive change:

Substantive change:

OCIS Closure
Flowery Branch High School
4450 Hog Mountain Road
Flowery Branch, GA 30542

Submission date:

12/16/2021

Intended Implementation date:

11/19/2021

Case ID:

SC017245

Your letter dated December 20, 2021, provided information on the off-campus instructional site (OCIS) closure, effective November 19, 2021, as noted in the teach-out plan. A Substantive Change Cover Sheet corresponding to the OCIS was submitted by email (May 11, 2022). 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. The institution submitted numerous other late OCIS closures based on site inactivity. The institution is reminded that future failure to submit timely notifications of substantive changes could result in the institution's being non-compliant with Standard 14.2 (substantive change) of the *Principles of Accreditation* and asked to submit additional information for review by the SACSCOC Board of Trustees.

Interest from high school staff and students at the OCIS has not materialized, and no classes have been offered at the site for over two (2) years. As there are no students enrolled at the site, there are no students to notify of the site closure.



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Institutional staff with responsibility for scheduling and delivering courses at the OCIS were informed of the site closure via email from the Vice President of Student Affairs. No Lanier Technical College faculty are teaching at the OCIS, and no faculty are impacted by the closure.

The Board of Trustees of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges approves the late closure of Flowery Branch High School off-campus instructional site (OCIS).

Should you need assistance, please contact Dr. Denise Y. Young at (404) 492-5386 or via email at dyoung@sacscoc.org.

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

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 and Operations, Lanier
Technical College
Dr. Denise Y. Young, Vice President, SACSCOC