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April 3, 2017

Dr. Belle Wheelan
Southern Association of Colleges and Schools
Commission on Colleges
1866 Southern Lane
Decatur, GA 30033

Dear Dr. Wheelan:

Please be informed that Lanier Technical College plans to begin offering its Health Information Specialist technical certificate of credit program at Early College @ Jones, an approved off-campus instructional site, beginning August 2017.

The Health Information Specialist TCC – a relatively new program for Lanier Technical College – was approved by the Commission for our Oakwood (main) campus on December 15, 2016. The Hall County School System has expressed great interest in offering this program to its Move on When Ready (dual enrollment) students, as it provides interested students with a pathway into LTC's Health Information Management Technology AAS degree program. Health Information Technology is a field in very high demand in our service area, and well-paying jobs are available to qualified applicants. Thus, expanding our offerings of this program contributes directly to Lanier Tech's mission of workforce development.

Please respond with a letter indicating the Commission's judgment regarding LTC offering this program expansion.

Should you have any questions, please contact our Accreditation Liaison, Dr. Joanne Tolleson, at jtolleso@laniertech.edu or (678) 341-6640.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "D. Ray Perren".

D. Ray Perren, D.S.L.
President

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cc: Dr. Joanne Tolleson