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### DELIVERED VIA EMAIL ONLY

May 17, 2024

Brenda Thames, PhD President El Camino College

Robbie Lee, DNP, MSN, RN Interim Director of Nursing El Camino College 16007 Crenshaw Boulevard Torrance, CA 90506

Dear Dr. Thames and Dr. Lee:

This letter is formal notification of the action taken by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN) at its meeting in April 2024. The Board of Commissioners granted Initial Accreditation to the associate nursing program and scheduled the next evaluation visit for Fall 2028. Based on ACEN Policy #34 Candidacy for a Governing Organization/Nursing Program Seeking Initial Accreditation, the effective date for initial accreditation of the associate nursing program is May 12, 2022. Please see ACEN Policy #9 Disclosure of Information About an Accredited Program for the required disclosure statement regarding this decision, which must be made to all current and prospective students within seven business days of this letter.

Deliberations centered on the materials available to the Board from this accreditation review process and the recommendation for accreditation proposed by the peer evaluators on the site visit team and the Evaluation Review Panel. Final decisions were made based on the 2023 Standards and Criteria.

The Board identified the following:

#### Areas of Strength

### Standard 6 Outcomes, Criterion 6.2

• The program achieving a licensure examination pass rate of 90%+ consecutively for the last three years is a significant achievement.

# Areas Needing Development

# Standard 3 Students, Criterion 3.2

• Review and revise program documents (paper and electronic) to ensure that information intended to inform the public is accurate, clear, and consistent.

# Standard 4 Curriculum, Criterion 4.2

• Ensure the end-of-program student learning outcomes are used to organize the curriculum.

# Standard 6 Outcomes, Criterion 6.3

• Ensure the assessment method (calculation) for program completion includes all students who begin the first nursing course for each program option and complete the program option on time.



# <u>Areas Needing Development (Continued)</u> Standard 6 Outcomes, Criterion 6.4

• Ensure the assessment method(s) for job placement result in meaningful data from those contacted about the role in which they are employed and make attempts to contact all graduates.

# Standard 6 Outcomes, Criterion 6.4

• Continue to identify and implement strategies/actions to improve the program's job placement rate when the expected level of achievement is not met.

Congratulations on this outstanding achievement! We look forward to continued successes for your nursing program. In addition to this official letter, your nursing program will receive an ACEN certificate authenticating the Board of Commissioners' decision.

If you have questions about this action or about ACEN policies and procedures, please contact us.

Sincerely,

Kathy Chappell, PhD, RN, FNAP, FAAN Chief Executive Officer

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