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In keeping with the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools' *Principles of Accreditation: Foundations for Quality Enhancement*, St. Philip's College is pleased to notify you of a substantive change scheduled for Summer 2009.

The change relates to a new distance learning program that will be offered beginning Summer 2009. St. Philip's College's Vocational Nursing Program will offer an extension program to high school students in the neighboring city of Floresville. The offering will be through electronic means (videoconferencing), whereby students will be enrolled under dual credit and will be able to obtain more than 50% of the LVN curriculum before graduation from high school. This model follows the highly successful Early College model used by the Vocational Nursing Program at El Paso Community College.

This is a Substantive Change that falls under Procedure Two: The Review of Substantive Changes Requiring Only Notification Prior to Implementation. Procedure Two applies because St. Philip's has been previously approved to offer distance learning programs.

I look forward to working with you and your staff to ensure that St. Philip's College continues to comply with the Commission's guidelines. Please let me know if you have any questions or need clarification.

Sincerely,

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President



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