TO: ACS WASC Accredited Schools

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The Accrediting Commission for Schools of the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (ACS WASC) provides training and support services for schools. Our goal is to ensure that the accreditation process empowers schools in their ongoing school improvement efforts.

Self-Study training sessions begin nearly 18 months prior to the school’s scheduled self-study visit. Part One training takes place in November; Part Two training takes place in March; and Part Three training takes place in September. ACS WASC expects that all schools will send a team of educators, including the principal and the ACS WASC coordinator, to the training sessions. All materials are provided and there is no charge for the training sessions.

Schools may request additional assistance to clarify the self-study accreditation process or to address their specific situations. ACS WASC has a group of independent, ACS WASC-approved consultants who offer fee-based consulting services to address the needs of these schools. Please contact Sylvia Taylor at staylor@acswasc.org or (650) 235-8621, for additional information regarding the available services.

The ACS WASC executive directors are in regular contact with the consultants to ensure consistency with the ACS WASC principles that are fundamental to the accreditation process. If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact Dr. Van Leuven or Dr. George directly at (650)-696-1060.