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Dear Administrator:

Congratulations! New Mexico School for the Arts has been awarded accreditation by the North Central Association Commission on Accreditation and School Improvement (NCA CASI), the Northwest Accreditation Commission (NWAC) and the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Council on Accreditation and School Improvement (SACS CASI), the regional accrediting agencies that span the AdvancED global network. This action was taken by the Accreditation Commission at its meeting on June 25, 2015.

A certificate that indicates the term of your accreditation is enclosed. Throughout this term of accreditation, New Mexico School for the Arts must continue to engage in the responsibilities required of all institutions to maintain accredited status as outlined in the *AdvancED Accreditation Policies and Procedures* available on our website at [www.advanc-ed.org/services/policies-and-procedures](http://www.advanc-ed.org/services/policies-and-procedures). Your accreditation signifies your commitment in pursuit of educational excellence. You can take pride in your achievement and so can your community. The regional agencies (NCA CASI, NWAC, and SACS CASI) provide your institution with a highly regarded and rigorous accreditation that is recognized throughout the world.

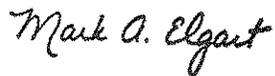
As part of your External Review report, you received an Index of Education Quality™ (IEQ™) score. The IEQ provides a holistic measure of your institution's overall performance on indicators and evaluative criteria used in the accreditation protocol. As a formative tool for improvement, it pinpoints areas of success as well as areas in need of support and/or focus. Using the IEQ, you have the opportunity to focus your attention, activities and actions resulting in positive impact and measurable improvement designed to optimize learning for every student. As your institution documents these changes and submits them for review, your IEQ scores are updated to reflect this progress and guide the next steps on your improvement journey. To learn more about the IEQ, please visit [www.advanc-ed.org/services/overview-index-education-quality](http://www.advanc-ed.org/services/overview-index-education-quality).

As an accredited institution, you are part of the AdvancED global network of over 32,000 schools and systems in more than 70 countries that are committed to continuous improvement through accreditation. Our state, national, and international offices offer a wide range of products and services dedicated to institutional improvement and accreditation: state-of-the-art technology solutions including student observations, surveys, and diagnostic applications; targeted improvement services; workshops and conferences. Please check the Improvement Services and Professional Learning sections at [www.advanc-ed.org](http://www.advanc-ed.org) for a full list of services and upcoming events.

Finally, promoting your accreditation is one of the easiest things that you can do to raise awareness of the importance of continuous improvement of education in your community. To help you celebrate your accreditation, we are providing you with a press release that you may share with your local media. You can access the press release by visiting [www.advanc-ed.org/communicationskit](http://www.advanc-ed.org/communicationskit). In the kit, you also will find brochures, accreditation seals, and other promotional items to display your pride in your institution's accreditation.

If you have questions regarding the enclosed certificate, e-mail us at [accreditation-certificates@advanc-ed.org](mailto:accreditation-certificates@advanc-ed.org). Our AdvancED Accreditation Office is available to answer any questions you may have as well and can be reached at 888.41 EDNOW (1.888.413.3669). We look forward to serving you now and in the future.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mark A. Elgart".

Mark A. Elgart, Ed.D.  
President/CEO AdvancED