

August 24, 2009

Joseph Doering
Director
Porter and Chester Institute
132 Weymouth Rd
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School #BR 001083

Dear Mr. Doering:

In 2008 ACCSCT introduced the School of Excellence Award which recognizes schools for their commitment to the expectations and rigors of ACCSCT accreditation, as well as efforts in maintaining high-level of achievement among their students. In order to be eligible for the award, a school must meet all of the criteria established by the Commission for its School of Distinction Award *and* a majority of the school's graduation and employment rates from all programs offered must meet or exceed the average rates of graduation and employment among all ACCSCT-accredited institutions. It gives me great pleasure to inform you that the Commission has determined that your school, Porter and Chester Institute, has met the established criteria and shall receive a 2008-2009 ACCSCT School of Excellence Award. As an ACCSCT School of Excellence, your school will be honored at the 2009 Professional Development Conference Awards Ceremony.

The third annual ACCSCT Professional Development Conference will be held September 14-16, 2009 at the Westin Gaslamp Quarter Hotel in San Diego, California. The theme of the Conference, **"A Community of partners in Education"** highlights the focus for the conference: building partnerships within the higher education community. On Tuesday, September 15th in conjunction with the other conference activities, an awards ceremony will be held to honor the 2009 ACCSCT Award winners including the Schools of Distinction.

In order to ensure that ACCSCT is able to provide the much deserved recognition to your school during the awards ceremony, we would appreciate an opportunity to incorporate photographs of your school into a PowerPoint presentation. Ideally, we would like to utilize photographs that highlight your school "in action," including photographs of activities that involve teachers, students, and administrative personnel. Electronic submissions in a high quality (.jpg or .bmp) format preferred. Please email all photographs to klambert@accsct.org on or before September 1, 2009.

If you have any questions or comments regarding the School of Distinction Award or the 2009 Professional Development Conference, please feel free to contact Kerry Lambert via telephone at 703.247.4527 or email at klambert@accsct.org. Also, please inform Kerry if a representative from the school will not be able to attend the conference to accept the award.

Congratulations on this significant achievement. I look forward to seeing you in San Diego!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Michale S. McComis', is located below the 'Sincerely,' text.

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