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## **Accreditation Review Pending at Kilian Community College**

Evaluation team to visit in October

Kilian Community College will undergo a comprehensive evaluation visit October 4-6, 2010, by a team representing The Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools. Kilian Community College has been continuously accredited by the Commission since 1986.

The Higher Learning Commission is one of six accrediting agencies in the United States that provide institutional accreditation on a regional basis. Institutional accreditation evaluates an entire institution and accredits it as a whole. Other agencies provide accreditation for specific programs. Accreditation is voluntary. The Commission accredits approximately 1,100 institutions of higher education in a 19 state region. The Commission is recognized by the U.S. Department of Education.

For the past two years, Kilian Community College has been engaged in a process of self-study to address the Commission's requirements and criteria for accreditation. The evaluation team will visit the institution to gather evidence that the self-study is thorough and accurate. The team will recommend to the Commission a continuing status for the college; following a review process, the Commission itself will take the final action.

The public is invited to submit comments regarding the institution to:

Public Comment on Kilian Community College  
The Higher Learning Commission  
30 North LaSalle Street, Suite 2400  
Chicago, IL 60602

Comments must address substantive matters related to the quality of the institution or its academic programs. Written, signed comments must be received by September 3, 2010. The commission cannot guarantee that comments received after the due date will be considered. Comments should include the name, address, and telephone number of the person providing the comments. Comments will not be treated as confidential.