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Dr. John O. Schwenn  
President  
Dalton State College  
650 College Drive  
Dalton, GA 30720

Dear Dr. Schwenn:

Thank you for your letter of November 29, 2010, and the additional information to support the proposal for an off-campus instructional site at which 50% or more of the approved Associate of Arts in General Studies degree program will be available, effective spring term 2011, at the following street address:

DSC Gilmer County Center  
103 Dalton Street  
Ellijay, GA 30540-3110

In my letter of October 25, 2010, I had questioned the qualifications of Nicholas Carty to teach Fundamentals of Speech and had requested a description of the financial support for the Center. The justification for Mr. Carty's teaching the Speech course and the description of financial support for the Center are sufficient.

**We approve the DSC Gilmer County Center, shall include it within the scope of accreditation previously granted, and wish you and your colleagues much success with it.**

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Belle S. Wheelan".

Belle S. Wheelan, Ph.D.  
President

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cc: Dr. Henry M. Codjoe, Director of Institutional Research and Planning ✓  
Dr. Claudette H. Williams