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CORRECTED
November 13, 2006

Kenneth Healey
Principal
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Dear Mr. Healey:

The Commission on Public Secondary Schools, at its October 1-2, 2006 meeting, reviewed the Special Progress Report of Lisbon High School and continued the school's accreditation. While the Commission acknowledges the school's progress as noted below, until all concerns have been satisfactorily resolved the school remains on warning for the Standards for Accreditation on School Resources for Learning and Community Resources for Learning.

The Commission was pleased to learn of the following:

- the addition of a technician to ensure the library/media center will be open both before school and after school as well as throughout the school day
- the provision of funds to continue teacher leadership positions which had originally been funded by the Promising Futures Grant
- the provision of funds to increase custodial support
- the plans to resubmit a proposal to the State for the next round of state-funded capital improvements
- the steps taken to improve the HVAC system including the ventilation system in the boys' locker room, nurse's office, positive ventilation in classrooms, and regulation of heat in gym
- the steps taken to ensure shop equipment with proper safety guards
- the installation of rails, sinks, and faucet handles to ensure handicapped accessibility in student restrooms
- the steps taken to more effectively use space in the industrial arts area

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In addition to responding to the seven (7) recommendations highlighted in the Commission's October 26, 2005 notification letter, the school's Two-Year Progress Report, due October 1, 2007, should provide detailed information on action taken to address the following:

- report progress on the plan and timeline to fully resolve all facilities concerns identified in the evaluation report, including inadequacies related to heating and air quality, inadequate access to technology, inadequate storage space, handicapped accessibility, unsafe gym bleachers, and the small cafeteria
- assess and report the adequacy of the budget for the 2007-2008 school year to provide and maintain appropriate school programs, staffing including supervisory personnel, services, facilities, equipment, technological support, materials and supplies

Consistent with the Commission's follow-up procedures, the Two-Year Progress Report should be signed by the principal and chair of the Follow-Up Committee and sent to the Commission office in duplicate by certified mail, return receipt requested. As well, please notify the Commission office immediately of any changes in the names of the principal and/or superintendent along with their corresponding e-mail addresses by submitting this information electronically to cpss-air@neasc.org.

The school's warning status will be reviewed when the Commission considers the Special Progress Report received November 6, 2006.

Sincerely,



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Martin Gray, Chair, Commission on Public Secondary Schools