



KANSAS BOARD OF REGENTS

August 10, 2017

President Carl Heilman
Barton Community College
245 NE 30 Rd
Great Bend, KS 67530

Dear President Heilman:

To ensure compliance with the *Guidelines for Eliminating Discrimination and Denial of Services on the Basis of Race, Color, National Origin, Sex and Handicapped in Vocation Education Programs* issued on March 21, 1979, the Career and Technical Education Team conducts an audit on several educational institutions receiving federal education funds for programs, services, and activities. Barton Community College has been selected for a **Civil Rights Review Audit** conducted by the Kansas Board of Regents.

We will review and analyze your technical education program enrollment data as reported in the Kansas Postsecondary Database 2016 Academic Year collection. The document *Guidelines for Eliminating Discrimination and Denial of Services on the Basis of Race, Color, National Origin, Sex and Handicapped in Vocation Education Programs* issued on March 21, 1979 will be the basis for the audit. These guidelines are based on the following authorities:

- Title VI of the 1964 Civil Rights Act (race, color, national origin)
- Title IX of the 1972 Education Amendments (gender)
- Section 504 of the 1973 Rehabilitation Act (disabled)
- Age Discrimination Act of 1975
- ADA Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990

Upon completion of the audits, you will be informed of the results and notified if your institution has been selected for an on-site review. A minimum of two audited institutions will be selected for an on-site visit review to comply with federal law. Those selected will be notified at least 30 days prior to the on-site date and sent a self-study document to be completed before the arrival of the KBOR on-site reviewers. On-site reviews will be conducted in the spring of 2018.

We appreciate your cooperation and assistance in our endeavor to provide equity of access and service in career and technical education in Kansas. If you have any questions regarding the Civil Rights Review audit process, please contact me at 785.430.4277 or twood@ksbor.org.

Sincerely,

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