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Valerie Jordan, Principal  
Ridgway High School  
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Dear Valerie Jordan:

The Accrediting Commission for Schools, Western Association of Schools and Colleges (ACS WASC) announces the action taken at the Summer 2020 Commission Meeting. The ACS WASC Commissioners have determined Ridgway High School (10-12) meets the ACS WASC criteria for accreditation. This accreditation status is based on all of the information provided by the school, including the school's report, and the satisfactory completion of the accreditation visit.

It is the decision of the Commission to grant six-year accreditation status with a One-day Mid-cycle Visit, through June 30, 2026.

Ridgway High School is required to prepare an in-depth Progress Report for the Mid-cycle Visit. The report and visit should demonstrate that the school has: 1) addressed the critical areas for follow-up through the schoolwide action plan; 2) made appropriate progress on the implementation of the schoolwide action plan; and 3) improved student achievement relative to the schoolwide learner outcomes and the academic standards.

Accreditation status is conditioned upon Ridgway High School's continued adherence with the ACS WASC policies, procedures, and criteria for accreditation. This includes a requirement that an accredited school annually contribute members to participate on visiting committees. Failure to maintain compliance with said policies, procedures, and standards is grounds for modification and/or withdrawal of the accreditation.

The Commission looks forward to Ridgway High School's anticipated success and continuing improvement in keeping with ACS WASC's pursuit of excellence in elementary, secondary, and adult education.

Sincerely,

Gregory A. Franklin  
Commission Chairperson

cc: Visiting Committee Chairperson  
Superintendent