



February 6, 2014

Mrs. April Jean Thome, Director  
Customized Education Designs LLC. Dba North Atlantic Regional High School  
14 S. 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Yakima, WA 98902

Dear Mrs. April Jean Thome:

This letter serves to officially inform you that Customized Education Designs LLC. Dba North Atlantic Regional High School has been accepted as a Candidate for Accreditation by the Middle States Association Commissions on Elementary and Secondary Schools (MSA-CESS). Please accept our congratulations for meeting candidacy standards for accreditation.

Enclosed also is an official Acceptance of Candidacy Form. Please note the conditions under which we extend the offer of Candidate status and the obligations you assume when accepting this offer. We ask that you complete and return this form as soon as possible. Your school will then be entered into the database as a Candidate for Accreditation and dues will be assessed accordingly. You will receive an invoice for dues in a separate mailing from the Middle States Business Office.

MSA-CESS has recommended the following self-study schedule:

<b>Self-Study Year</b>	<b>Spring 2013-Fall 2014</b>
<b>Team Visit Year</b>	<b>Spring 2015</b>

We have entered this schedule in our records and anticipate that your school will complete the accreditation process within the three year period of candidacy.

After you accept Candidate status, you will receive nomination forms to list staff members from your school that you wish to recommend as potential members on evaluation teams to other schools. We urge you to take advantage of this excellent opportunity before your own evaluation occurs and suggest that you return the completed nomination forms as soon as you receive them.

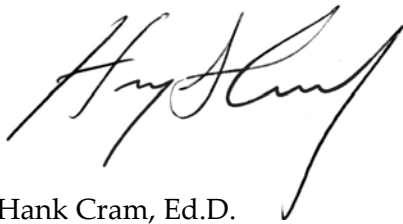
Should you have any questions, we are available to help. The Agent of Responsibility for your school will be:

Kenneth D. Kastle, Ed.D.  
Chief of Staff  
PHONE: 267-284-5041  
EMAIL: [kkastle@cess-msa.org](mailto:kkastle@cess-msa.org)

Kenneth D. Kastle, Ed.D. will be your primary contact as you move through the accreditation process.

All of us at MSA look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Hank Cram". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large, sweeping flourish at the end.

Hank Cram, Ed.D.  
President  
Phone: 267-284-5044  
Email: [hcram@cess-msa.org](mailto:hcram@cess-msa.org)

Enclosures: Report on Candidacy Visit  
Acceptance of Candidacy Form



**ACCEPTANCE OF CANDIDACY STATUS**

On behalf of the school named below, the signator accepts Candidate Status. The signator understands that Candidate Status does not imply or assure eventual accreditation. Acceptance of candidacy establishes this school as a member of MSA-CESS, with all rights, privileges, and obligations that entails. The school will be publicized in all Directories and Registries that MSA-CESS publishes as a Candidate for Accreditation. The school agrees to pay Annual Dues according to the most current MSA-CESS dues schedule, commencing with Acceptance of Candidacy, and to file an Annual Report each fall, such report to be generated by MSA-CESS and then updated and returned by the school.

Schools that accept Candidate Status should plan to schedule an evaluation by a Visiting Committee within at least two calendar years of their acceptance.

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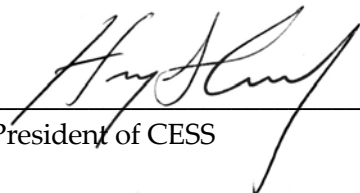
On behalf of the school I have read and accept the terms in this agreement.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

  
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 President of CESS

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 Date signed