

DATE: January 26, 2012

SUBJECT: Conditional Approval of New Programs under the Postsecondary Authorization Act

ACTION RECOMMENDED: Conditional Approval

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The Commission, under the Postsecondary Authorization Act, has the “power and duty” to act upon applications for authorization of educational programs in the state. Applications have been reviewed and staff has determined that all necessary documentation for the institutions submitting new program applications is in accordance with the Act and postsecondary rules. The Committee on Postsecondary Educational Institutions, which is a review and advisory committee to the Commission, met on January 12, 2012 and affirmed staff recommendations for conditional approval.

A. Concorde Career College

Memphis, TN

Corporate Structure:	C-Corporation
Authorization Date:	January 1, 1985
Accreditation:	Council on Occupational Education (COE)
Title IV Funding:	Yes
Highest Credential Offered:	Associate Degree

Concorde Career College is seeking authorization for one new program. The program will be offered in a residential format. Instruction will be provided by faculty from their authorized site in Memphis, Tennessee.

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| Program: | Nursing |
| Credential Awarded: | Associate of Applied Science |
| Length of Program: | 70 Semester Credit Hours (15 months) |

While this program is conditionally authorized, the institution may not advertise the program, recruit or enroll students into the program.

At the time that the institution provides evidence sufficient to DPSA staff of possession and installation of the required program equipment and a successful site visit is conducted by DPSA staff, the condition will be lifted without further Commission action and this program will receive Regular Authorization Status. At that time, the institution may begin to advertise this program, recruit and enroll students into the program.

B. Remington College – Nashville

Nashville, TN

Corporate Structure:	Not-For-Profit Corporation
Authorization Date:	July 17, 2003
Accreditation:	Accrediting Commission for Career Schools and Colleges (ACCSC)
Title IV Funding:	Yes – Institutional No – For This Program
Highest Credential Offered:	Associate Degree

Remington College-Nashville is seeking authorization for one new program. The program will be offered in a residential format. Instruction will be provided by faculty from their authorized site in Nashville, Tennessee.

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| 1. Program: | Coronal Polishing for the Dental Assistant | |
| Credential Awarded: | Certificate of Completion | |
| Length of Program: | 14 Contact Hours | (2 days) |

Remington College – Nashville has submitted a letter of approval by the Tennessee Board of Dentistry for the Coronal Polishing Certification Course effective through December 31, 2011. An application for the renewal of the board approval for the Coronal Polishing Certification Course has been submitted to the Tennessee Board of Dentistry for the January 26, 2012 board meeting.

While this program is conditionally authorized, the institution may not advertise the program, recruit or enroll students into the program.

At the time that the institution provides proof of approval from the Tennessee Board of Dentistry to DPSA staff, the condition will be lifted without further Commission action and this program will receive Regular Authorization Status. At that time, the institution may begin to advertise this program, recruit and enroll students into the program.

C. Virginia College School of Business and Health

Chattanooga, TN

Corporate Structure:	Limited Liability Corporation
Authorization Date:	July 27, 2006
Accreditation:	Accrediting Council for Independent Colleges and Schools (ACICS)
Title IV Funding:	Yes
Highest Credential Offered:	Associate Degree

Virginia College School of Business and Health is seeking authorization for one new program. The program will be offered in a residential format. Instruction will be provided by faculty from their authorized site in Chattanooga, Tennessee.

1. Program: Occupational Therapy Assistant
Credential Awarded: Associate of Applied Science
Length of Program: 96 Quarter Credit Hours (22 months)

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