

BACKGROUND AND REQUEST

ETI Technical College

RECOMMENDATION

ETI Technical College meets the Chancellor's minimum standards, and the review team recommend provisional authorization for the proposed degree programs. Provisional authorization will continue through December 31, 2012, contingent upon continuing accreditation by the Accrediting Commission of Career Schools and Colleges of Technology (ACCST), continuing recognition from the State Board of Career Colleges and Schools, and contingent upon the Chancellor's written approval of progress reports that demonstrate satisfactory progress toward compliance with all standards. The Chancellor shall withdraw provisional authorization if, in the Chancellor's judgment, the progress reports do not demonstrate satisfactory progress in any area. Progress reports are due by May 1, 2009, April 1, 2010, and April 1, 2011. A follow-up review will be performed prior to December 31, 2012 to determine continued authorization of the programs.

Profile: In 1989, ETI Technical College of Niles was established as a branch of ETI Technical College of Cleveland. The college operated as a branch of the main campus until 1992, when the ACCST first recognized the Niles campus as a free-standing institution. In 1994, the school was purchased by its current owner and today serves over 200 degree seeking students.

ETI Technical College offers diploma and applied associate degree programs related to its mission of providing "relevant, current, and quality education to our students allowing them to enter the workforce rapidly and be competitive within their chosen discipline."

Accreditation/Authorization: The college is accredited by ACCST and is recognized by the State Board of Career Colleges and Schools (SBCCS). This is the college's first request to the Chancellor and the request is in response to HB 119 of the 127th General Assembly, which requires the Chancellor's authorization for associate degree programs in proprietary colleges and schools as a condition of their students' use of OIG/OCOG funds, a state needs-based financial aid program.

Program Information: ETI Technical College is seeking authorization for the following programs:

- Associate of Applied Business in Computerized Office Technology
- Associate of Applied Science in Computerized Electronic Engineering Technology
- Associate of Applied Business in Legal Assistant
- Associate of Applied in Medical Assistant

Each program requires at least 90 quarter hours for completion and includes course work in general education, applied general education and the technical/occupational area.

Review Results: The external review team noted numerous strengths during the review, including: the college's focus on student success using a "learn by doing" approach; its regular use of external advisory boards; the stability of the faculty and staff; the college's solid financial standing, and its development of 2+2 programs with local four year institutions.

