To all members of the Montgomery County community

Montgomery County Community College is accredited by the Middle States Commission of Higher Education. On a regular basis, the College has the opportunity to complete a self-evaluation of its strengths and areas for improvement. The College previously completed evaluations in 2005 and 2010. Middle States notified the College of the upcoming 2015 reaccreditation in 2012. At that time, the College began the self-study process by developing a design or approach, which was then approved by the Middle States Commission of Higher Education.

As a result of the Self-Study process, the College will:

1. Establish its compliance with the **Fourteen Characteristics of Excellence**, 
2. Engage in a process of community-wide reflection and self-evaluation, 
3. Evaluate its progress towards the accomplishment of its Mission, Values, and Strategic Plan, 
4. Examine the effectiveness of its assessment processes across all areas of the College, 
5. Identify areas of strength and opportunities for improvement, 
6. Consistently communicate with the College community about processes and findings, and 
7. Employ the Self-Study findings to inform the College’s 2016-2021 Strategic Plan.

Many members of the College community have been working to prepare the 2015 Self-Study report, in accordance with the timeline developed to complete the project. This letter is provided to inform the community about the self-study and to invite community members to contribute to the process. Please email comments and questions to assessment@mc3.edu.

Documents available for review:

- Notification from MSCHE of the upcoming Self-Study
- Self-Study Design document
- Approval Self-Study Design document
- Board of Trustees presentation dated June, 2014
- Narrative/Timeline of the Self-Study process
- Draft of the 2015 MSCHE Self-Study (when available) for public comment
- 2010 MSCHE Periodic Review Report
- 2005 MSCHE Self-Study