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Dear Sam,

The purpose of this letter is to convey the results of the recent CED Board vote concerning your program's approval by the Council on Education of the Deaf. After due consideration of the documents submitted by the panelists and yourself, the Board voted unanimously to approve your teacher education program in deaf/hard of hearing at Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania, with specialization in the elementary area.

Pursuant to an agreement with the Council for Exceptional Children (CEC) in August, 1998 and renewed in July, 2002, CEC continues to recognize programs that are CED-approved. This has a double benefit for your institution. First your submitting this letter to Margie Crutchfield, Program Accreditation Specialist at CEC, will automatically result in CEC approval without your having to prepare a folio for the CEC folio review process. Second, CED approval, via the CEC agreement just mentioned, will meet one of the preconditions for your professional education unit's review by the National Council on Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE).

Your program's CED approval will expire on July 1, 2014, so you should plan on a 5-year evaluation, during the 2013–14 academic year.

This recognizes both the quality of your program, and the hard work that went into your preparation for a CED review. The CED Board members and officers join me in congratulating you on this very important accomplishment.

I wish you and your colleagues continued success as you prepare teachers for students who are deaf and hard of hearing.

Sincerely,

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