

MONTGOMERY COLLEGE
Office of the President

January 25, 2008

MEMORANDUM

To: The Montgomery College Community
From: Brian K. Johnson, President
Subject: 2008 Middle States Self-Study Initiative

Welcome to the home of the Montgomery College Middle States Self-Study initiative. As you are no doubt aware, the College has been engaged in the Self-Study process for over two years. This collegial and collaborative process has allowed us to come together to focus on the very core of the institution – the College mission. We have risen to the challenge of critically assessing our College and in so doing have openly identified institutional strengths, candidly cited areas in need of improvement, and resolutely articulated suggestions for self-renewal and self-improvement.

The Self-Study Report was unanimously approved by the Montgomery College Board of Trustees and has been submitted to the Middle States Commission on Higher Education. As we prepare for the arrival of our visiting team, we note that we have taken full advantage of the opportunity to critically assess our College, to build on the strengths that have made us a leader among the nation's community colleges and a mainstay in our own community, and to discover new paths to excellence as we strive to serve our students and the citizens of Montgomery County.

Please take some time to familiarize yourselves with the content of the report in preparation for the team visit from March 2-5, 2008.

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March 19, 2007

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The time has now come for us to consider the first draft – the outcome of the labor of well over one hundred of our colleagues and students who have served on the Steering Committee and the Work Groups, not to mention those who provided information and resources for the groups. Please take some time to attend the open forums and to provide feedback to the Steering Committee as they work to refine the study and produce a final report.

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