

VISITING COMMITTEE REPORT

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FOR

Alameda Community Learning Center

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# The Visiting Committee Commends:

- The facilitators for their vision of emphasizing collaborative, project-based learning. Students are encouraged to work in cooperative groups, as well as to seek their own specialized areas of interest.
- The facilitators and learners for establishing a culture of high expectations for all learners. All learners are expected to succeed, to set their own goals, and to challenge their abilities.
- The entire ACLC learning community for developing a participatory democracy where learners take ownership of their learning, empowering them to seek knowledge for its own sake and become life-long learners. This approach promotes the philosophy that learning is experiential and incorporates not only the content, but also the process of learning.



- The facilitators for promoting an inclusive and nurturing learning environment that supports all learners. Learners from a variety of ethnic and socioeconomic backgrounds feel comfortable interacting with the ACLC staff.
- Learners, facilitators and parents for supporting a program that is unique, innovative, and learner-centered. Learners and parents are enthusiastic in their support of the school's programs and are proud to be members of the ACLC community.
- The entire ACLC staff for providing individualized support to achieve academic success. Facilitators are available throughout the day to meet with learners individually and in groups.
- The facilitators for using innovative, research-based educational approaches to learning. Learners are encouraged to seek educational experiences outside of the classroom such as college classes, apprenticeships, on-line learning, and other educational opportunities that enhance their personal development.

