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Academy College is one of several hundred institutions across the U.S. that is currently accredited through the Accrediting Council for Independent Colleges and Schools (ACICS). On December 12, 2016, the Secretary of Education issued a final decision on the appeal of the ACICS accreditation renewal. The Secretary's decision resulted in ACICS no longer being recognized as a federally recognized accrediting agency.

As a result, all ACICS institutions have 18 months following the loss of its Department-recognized accrediting agency, to find a new accrediting agency to maintain eligibility to receive funds under Title IV, HEA programs, and that if the Academy College does not obtain accreditation within that 18 month period (June 12, 2018), Academy College would no longer be eligible to receive funds under Title IV, HEA program.

If any student at Academy College has a complaint relating to Title IV eligibility or administration, the quality of education received at the Institution, or otherwise relating to the accreditation standards of its former accrediting agency can submit that complaint to the Academy College at (952-851-0066 or [accreditation@academycollege.edu](mailto:accreditation@academycollege.edu)) and/or to any of the following: the Department's Student Complaint website, the Minnesota office of Higher Education, the Office of the Minnesota Attorney General, the Office of Minnesota Consumer Affairs.

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<p><b>Office of Minnesota Attorney General Lori Swanson</b>          445 Minnesota Street, Suite 1400          St. Paul, MN 55101          Phone: (651) 296-3353          Toll-Free: (800) 657-3787          Website: <a href="http://www.ag.state.mn.us/Office/Complaint.asp">http://www.ag.state.mn.us/Office/Complaint.asp</a></p>	<p><b>Office of Minnesota Consumer Affairs</b>          1400 NCL Tower          445 Minnesota Street          St. Paul, MN 55101          612-296-3353          Toll free: 1-800-657-3787          TDD/TTY: 612-297-7206;          TDD/TTY toll free: 1-800-366-4812          Fax: 612-282-5801          Web site: <a href="http://www.ag.state.mn.us/Consumer/Complaint.asp">www.ag.state.mn.us/Consumer/Complaint.asp</a>          E-mail: <a href="mailto:consumer.ag@state.mn.us">consumer.ag@state.mn.us</a></p>

