



230 South LaSalle Street, Suite 7-500  
Chicago, IL 60604  
312.263.0456 | 800.621.7440  
Fax: 312.263.7462 | [hlcommission.org](https://hlcommission.org)

January 16, 2026

Dr. Edward Inch  
President  
Minnesota State University, Mankato  
309 Wigley Administration Center  
Mankato, MN 56001

Dear President Inch:

This letter serves as formal notification and official record of action taken concerning Minnesota State University, Mankato (the institution) by the Institutional Actions Council (IAC) of the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) at its meeting on January 12, 2026. The date of this action constitutes the effective date of the institution's new status with HLC.

**Action with Interim Monitoring.** IAC continued and reaffirmed the accreditation of Minnesota State University, Mankato with the next Reaffirmation of Accreditation in 2035-36. In conjunction with this action, IAC required the following interim monitoring.

**Embedded monitoring.** Embedded monitoring in the Year 4 Assurance Review on assessment of student learning (3E) and program review (3F).

In taking this action, the IAC considered materials from the most recent evaluation and the institutional response (if applicable) to the evaluation findings.

In two weeks, this action will be added to the *Institutional Status and Requirements (ISR) Report*, a resource for the institution to review and manage information regarding its accreditation relationship. Chief Executive Officers and Accreditation Liaison Officers may download the ISR Report in Canopy at <https://canopy.hlcommission.org>.

Within the next 30 days, HLC will also publish information about this action on its website at <https://www.hlcommission.org/Student-Resources/recent-actions>.

If you have any questions about these documents after viewing them, please contact the institution's staff liaison, Steph Brzuzy. Your cooperation in this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Barbara Gellman-Danley".

Barbara Gellman-Danley  
President

cc: Jennifer Veltsos, Accreditation Liaison Officer  
Steph Brzuzy, HLC Staff Liaison