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This week, we'll take a break from reporting the planned changes that are arising from the NEASC self-study process. Instead, we'd like to highlight the part everyone will play in the process of finishing up the self-study.

As you've been able to see in the last few weeks, a significant and important part of the self-study process is identifying those areas in which the college needs to make changes. The committees have been noting these as "areas of concern." As these areas of concern are identified, the steering committee meets with the chair of the standard to discuss what action the college can take to address each one. Some of these actions are shorter term (this semester) while others will take more time and will go into the report as Projections – things we are proposing to change in the coming years.

When we publicize those plans in this newsletter, we are hoping and expecting that all of you will read them and provide feedback when you see a problem with a specific plan. These plans are still in the proposal stage and will be modified in response to the feedback we receive. While there will be opportunities for change when the draft is published in April, earlier feedback is better.

Please read these newsletters with that in mind and contact either of us with concerns or questions about the proposed plans you see here.

Sincerely,

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Your NEASC Co-chairs