



From a Scream to a Celebration: The Successful Review

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**What the
Accreditation Review
is Supposed to Feel
Like...**



**Too Often, What
Reviews REALLY
Feel Like...**



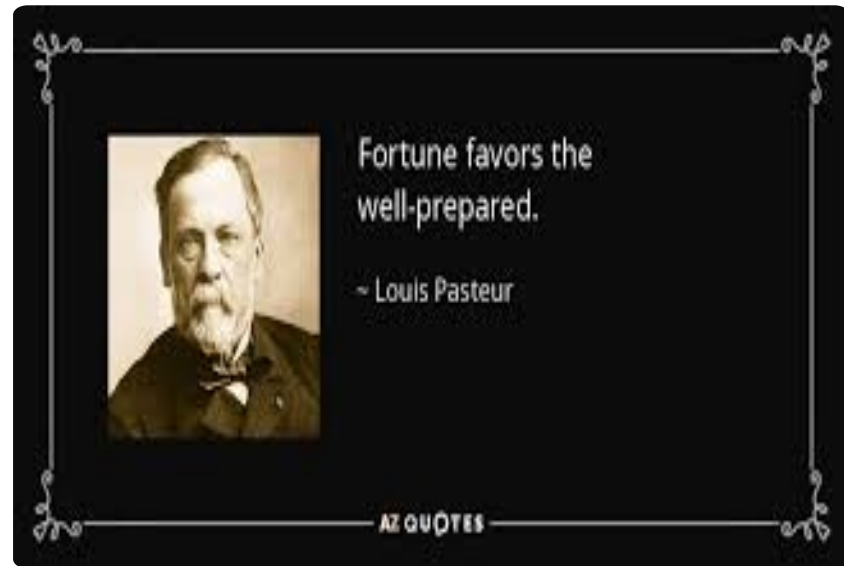
A Little Perspective (and a Little History)

Since 1999...

- Reviewer/Vice-Chair for SACS
- SACS Review Co-Chair (PK-12)
- CAEP Coordinator
- Member, EPP Review Leadership Teams
- Review Chair for the GaPSC
- Member, GaPSC Evaluation Review Panel
- Consultant



The Key to a Successful Review



Opening at the Close: When the Successful Review Begins

- Great reviews rarely start two years before a visit.
- Great reviews start as soon as the EPP receives the recommendations from the prior review team.
 - How did the prior team interpret our story?
 - What do we want our story to be going forward?
 - Areas of Strength/Areas for Improvement/Urgent Issues?
 - How do we continuously improve?
 - How do we work through unexpected events (COVID-19)?
 - The sooner we begin, the more prepared we will be, the better our story will be.

On the Way to the Celebration... The Preparation for the Review

- Are our assessments appropriate, aligned, valid, and reliable—especially our key assessments?
- Do we collect, analyze, and interpret data from our assessments?
- Do our data/evidence indicate our strengths and areas for improvement? Do we act on this data for continuous improvement?
- Do our evidence, data, and continuous improvement actions support our story (particularly as input into PRS-II)? Does our narrative reflect the relationships between these elements?
- Will our story be clear to the review team when they see it in PROBE-II? What sort of questions might they have about our story?

But Wait! There's (Always) More!!!!

- Did we (really) respond to the feedback from the Offsite Report?
- What else about our story would the review team like to learn?
- Is there any other evidence we need to have ready by the onsite?
- How well do our stakeholders know our story? What else should they know?
- Who do we want to tell our story to the review team?
- How do we make the review team feel welcome at our celebration?

Welcome to Our Celebration!

- New, shorter, and all online.
- Is our technology easy to use? Is it reliable?
- Do we have everything that the review team has requested (evidence, data, personnel, logistics)?
- Are our stakeholders ready to tell our story and answer any questions the review team has?
- Are we flexible enough to respond to (reasonable) last minute requests?
- Do we have "Plan(s) B"?



So, What are the Takeaways?

- If you:
 - Start early
 - Have effective assessments and high-quality data
 - Use the data and evidence to build a story of continuous improvement
 - Make sure that all your stakeholders know your story
 - Communicate and cooperate with the review team
 - Arrange a “valid and reliable” online Onsite Visit
 - Tell your story well...

Then Your Review is TRULY a Celebration!





**Thank
You!!!**

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