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Your ref:
Our ref:

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Dear Sir/Madam

Stevenson College has written to the Department proposing a change of name to "Stevenson College Edinburgh". The reasons given by the College for this proposal are threefold, namely that:

- Stevenson College delivers a considerable amount of higher education work and feels that to be known simply as a further education college is no longer appropriate
- Stevenson College feels that there is confusion as to the location of the College in that there is a town called Stevenston in the west of Scotland and a college called Stevenson in England
- the inclusion of "Edinburgh" in the College's name would, the College feels, have a distinct advantage in assisting potential students in contacting the College while raising its profile both nationally and internationally

Under Section 3 (4) of the Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Act 1992 the Scottish Ministers are given powers by order to change the name of a college of further education and of the board of management, after such consultation that appears to be appropriate. I am accordingly writing to you on behalf of the Scottish Ministers to invite your comments on this proposal for a change of name.

Any comments you have should reach me at the above address, by mail or e-mail, by **Monday 3 March 2003**. There is no need to respond to this letter if you do not wish to offer comment.

In accordance with Scottish Executive practice, in order to help inform debate on this matter and in accordance with the Code of Practice on open government, all consultation responses will be publicly available. Should you wish all or part of your reply to be kept confidential, you should indicate this clearly in your response.



Further copies of this letter can be obtained from the Scottish Executive website at:
<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/consultations/education/stevenson.pdf>

Yours faithfully

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