

Dr. John Walstrum Biography

Dr. John Walstrum is the President of Clover Park Technical College, located in Lakewood, Washington. He holds a Ph.D. in Industrial Education, Masters in Technical Education, and a Bachelors degree in Secondary Education – all received from the University of Maryland. He brings a solid background of experiences and accomplishments through education, training, economic development, fund raising, student affairs, and community service programs.

Prior to coming to CPTC, Dr. Walstrum served as the Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs at Central New Mexico Community College. He began his career as a faculty member at, which is now, the Community Colleges of Baltimore Adjunct Faculty Member, and was a full-time post secondary teaching faculty member in Electronics Technology for fifteen years. He worked his way through the ranks and became a Division Chair for Technical Studies. He has served as a vice president in the areas of academic and student affairs at two-year colleges for fourteen years.

Dr. Walstrum is very involved in numerous community organizations and boards and is an active participant at the national level on initiatives related to workforce and economic development. He is currently president of the National Council on Workforce Education and has been a member of the Workforce Investment Board and Albuquerque Economic Development in New Mexico, USA.

Dr. Walstrum has established a reputation as a proactive leader in establishing and promoting new partnerships with regional universities, local school districts, major corporations, and community based organizations that are in the best interest of students. Dr. Walstrum's career, as faculty and administrator, has been dedicated to the development and delivery of sound career, technical, and occupational post-secondary education programs.