

FUELING THE ECONOMY



We mean business

Washington's community and technical colleges are a united and powerful force for advancing our economy.

Our 34 colleges connect with local employers and with each other through common programs — like advanced manufacturing and allied health — that align with Washington's overall job-growth strategy. This connects every community to the full range of economic possibilities locally and regionally. People land good jobs, businesses grow and thrive and our economy prospers.

Washington's two-year colleges and former students add \$11 billion each year to the state's economy.¹

Quick response training

Community and technical colleges train students for high-demand, high-wage jobs and respond quickly to fill workforce needs.

Every college job-training program has an advisory committee made up of employers and skilled workers. These committees keep colleges up-to-date on industry and workforce needs, employment forecasts, industry trends and new technologies.

Customized training

Our colleges not only provide training in specific fields of study. They also provide customized, affordable short-term training for individual businesses. Employees can learn at colleges or at the work site with costs offset by tax breaks or matching funds.

1. Economic Modeling Specialists, January 2011



Centers of Excellence

Ten Centers of Excellence connect businesses to flexible, high-caliber programs that can be deployed quickly. Each center focuses on a targeted industry that drives the state's economy.

- Aerospace and Advanced Manufacturing at Everett Community College
- Agriculture at Walla Walla Community College
- Allied Health at Yakima Valley Community College
- Clean Energy at Centralia College
- Construction at Renton Technical College
- Education at Green River College
- Global Trade and Supply Chain Management at Highline College
- Homeland Security-Emergency Management at Pierce College
- Information and Computing Technology at Bellevue College
- Marine Manufacturing and Technology at Skagit Valley College

A network of opportunity

Our colleges are as nimble and innovative as the employers they serve — from the wineries in Walla Walla to the aerospace suppliers along the Puget Sound corridor and everywhere in between. It's a network of opportunity that works for Washington.

— see attached for a list of partnerships —

PARTNERSHIPS FOR A SKILLED WORKFORCE

Sampling of organizations that partner with community and technical colleges

Absolute Aviation Services	Carlisle Interconnect	Energy Northwest
ABW	Cascade Coffee	EPTAC
Accel-BI	Cascade Gasket	Europe Through the Back Door
Adams Co. Development Council	Catholic Health Initiative	Evergreen Hospital
Advanced Manufacturing Tech.	Central Valley School District	Evergreen Manor
Aerospace Manufacturing Technologies	Chameleon	F5 Networks
Aerojet Rocketdyne	Charlie's Produce	Fluid Motion
A&G Machine, Inc.	Chermark Construction	Fluke Corporation
Akzo Nobel	CHI Franciscan Health	Franz Bakery
Alaska Airlines/Horizon Air	Cisco	Fred Meyer
Alcoa Wenatchee Works	City of Edmonds	Frito Lay
All Pak Trojan	Coalview LLC	Galvin Flight Services
Amgen Foundation	Columbia Basin Hospital	GE Healthcare
Angeles Composite Tech.	Columbia Transport	General Dynamics Land Systems
APL, Port of Tacoma	Community Health Center of Snohomish County	Genie Industries
AREVA	Compass Health	General Motors
Association of WA Business	ConAgra	General Services Admin.
Auburn, Kent, Covington, Enumclaw Chamber of Commerce	Confluence Healthcare	Grant County Economic Development Council
Aviation Technical Services	Country Insurance & Financial Services	Graphic Packaging International
Avisa	Crane Aerospace	Group Health
AvTechTye	Crest Airpark	H2OJet
B/E Aerospace	Crunch Pak	Hampton Lumber
Banner Bank	DataSphere	Helac Corporation
Bellingham School District	Delta Airlines	Hexel Corp.
Bellmont Cabinets	Dendreon	Himalayan Dog Chew
Better Health Together	Devlin Boats	HomeStreet Bank
BodyPoint	Diamond Technologies	Honda
Boeing	Dick Hannah Motors	Honeywell Aerospace
Boeing Field/King Co. Airport	Distant Land Coffee	Hop Union
British Petroleum	Edmonds Chamber of Commerce	HRG
Broetje Orchards	Cascade Gasket	Hunter Engineering
Burkhart Dental	EKOS Corp.	HySecurity
Campbell's StockPot	Electroimpact	Hyundai
Canyon Creek Cabinets	Ellison Technologies	IEUC 189 Elevators Union
Cardinal Glass	Embassy Suites Hotel	IID/Security Central
	Emergent Biosolutions	Illumina
	Empire Health Foundation	Inland NW Health Services
		International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW)
		International Machinists and Aerospace Workers (IAM)

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Ironworkers Union Local 86
ISO Consortium
Jamco America
Janicki Industries
John Deere
John I. Haas, Inc.
Jorgenson Forge
Kent School District
Keurig Green Mountain
Kia
King Co. Metro Transit
Kitsap Mental Health
Korry/Esterline Electronics
Labinal Power Systems/Safron
Lamb/Weston
Laser Cutting NW
Lewis Co. Lumber Products
Lincoln Electric
Local 104, Shipyards
Local 502 Boilermakers
Mega Arms
Memorial Hospital Family
of Services
Microsoft
Middle Green River Coalition/
Waste Action Project
Mission Support Alliance
Moses Lake Industries
Mountain Consulting Services
MultiCare
New World Yacht Builders
Northern Quest Resort and Casino
Northwest Association for Biomedical
Research
Northwest Electrical Industry, JATC
Northwest Hospital and Medical Center
Northwest Marine Trade Association
Northwest Motor Service
Novo Nordisk
Oberto
Onomac Industries
P&J Machining
Pacific Aerospace and Electronics
Pacific Northwest National Laboratory
Pacific Northwest Aviation Alliance
Pacific Northwest Defense Coalition
Pacific Northwest Regional Primary
Care Association
Pacific Tools
Pacifica Marine
PeaceHealth
Peoples Bank
Pile Drivers' Union Local 2396
Port of Everett
Port of Seattle
Port of Tacoma
Portco Packaging
Potlatch
Praxair
Premera Blue Cross
Primus International
Pro Sales
Property Management Consortium
Providence Regional Medical Center
Providence St. Peter
Puget Sound Energy
Puget Sound Naval Shipyard
Quiring Monuments
REC Silicon
RedDot
Reischling Press
Renton Airport
Renton Worksource
Resource Recycling Tech.
Robert Halth Technology
Royal Windows and Doors
Royell Manufacturing
SAFE Boats International
Samaritan Healthcare
Schwartz Brothers Restaurants
Seaport Steel
Sea-Tac Airport/Sea-Tac Tower
Seattle Center
Seattle Genetics
Seattle TRACON
Service Employees International Union
Seven2
Sharpe Mixers
Six Sigma Consortium
Skagit Regional Health
Snap-on Tools
SNBL
Snohomish Co. Prosecutor's Office
Snohomish Co. PUD
Sonico
Sound Sleep
Spectralux
SPIE
Spokane Parks and Recreation
Starbucks Coffee
Sunrise Services
SVZ-USA
Swedish Edmonds Hospital
T&A Supply Company
Tableau
Tacoma Narrows Airport
TECT Aerospace
TEKsystems
Terex-Genie
Tesoro
The Everett Clinic
The Part Works
Three Sigma Manufacturing
TigerStop
Toray Composites
Torklift
Toyota
TransAlta
Trident Seafoods
Triumph Group
Trulife
SGL Automotive Carbon Fibers
Tyson Foods
Umbra
United Parcel Service
Valley Medical Center
Verdant Health Commission
Vertafore
Vigor Industrial
Virginia Mason Hospital
Volunteers of America
VPI Windows
WA Airport Managers Assoc.
WA Assoc. of Building Officials
WA Pilots Association
WA Public Ports Association
WA River Protection Solutions
WA State Building and
Construction Trades Council
WA State Hospital Assoc.
WA State Labor Council
WA Technology Industry Assoc.
Westport Shipyard
Whatcom Educational Credit Union
WideNet Consulting
Wilcox Farms
Willapa Bay Enterprises Corp.
Wimmer Solutions
Yahoo!
YMCA-Snohomish County
YWCA-Mukilteo/Lynnwood
Zetron
Zones Inc.
