

Ann Beheler, Ph.D.

Ann Beheler is a strong, yet collaborative, community college leader whose primary goal is helping students of all types achieve better lives through education. After several years in various corporate roles, she became a full-time faculty member at Richland College in 1992. There she found her true passion as an instructor and built the first computer networking program in the State of Texas. Since that time, she has held the positions of Dean/Executive Director of Engineering and Emerging Technologies at Collin College, Dean of Business, Computing and Career Services at Orange Coast College, and she is currently serving as Vice-President of Academic Affairs at Porterville College.



Ann has developed and led many types of instructional programs including face-to-face, online, basic skills, transfer/general education, career and technical, credit, non-credit, contract, etc. She makes decisions informed by data and prides herself in focusing constantly on improvement. She is also dedicated to providing continuing professional development for all staff and faculty.

In her corporate and academic roles, she has led and assisted in the development of strategic plans, including assessment plans for characterizing success or failure of each goal and objective. She recently wrote the Midterm Accreditation Report for Porterville College, gathering data from many stakeholders across the campus, and she co-chairs the College Learning Council, the highest-level college-wide committee that makes final recommendations to the President on behalf of all campus constituencies.

Ann has significant experience building relationships with business, K-12, universities, and community leaders to collaboratively implement and guide innovative programs such as a high school dual-credit program. Further, she has experience garnering and leading grants, including a Regional National Science Foundation Convergence Technology Center that continues to be integral in refocusing the Information and Communications Technology industry in North Texas. She also serves on the National Visiting Committee for the Regional NSF Center for Systems Security and Information Assurance grant in which Inver Hills is a partner.

As VPAA, Ann heads all instructional programs with a focus on the core missions of transfer, basic skills, and career and technical programs as well as a growing community service offering. She has led faculty to complete almost 100% of student learning outcomes for courses and programs as well as the assessment of these outcomes. While at Orange Coast, she was responsible for academic programs in Business and Computing as well as career services. At Collin she was responsible for continuing education and credit engineering and technology programs as well as Distance Education and the Teaching and Learning Center for all campuses of the District. Previously, Ann was Director of Product and Technology Management for Raytheon Professional Services, Director of Certifications for Novell, Inc. and has owned her own consulting business.

She holds a Ph.D. in Education, a Master of Science degree in Computer Science, and a Bachelor of Science degree in Mathematics.