## Alumni Spotlight

Martinsburg High School Football Coach Dave Walker '88 made history is West Virginia again last Saturday, December 2nd when he won his sixth State AAA Football Championship. Walker was named the 2016 National Football Coach of the Year by the National Federation of High Schools, when they announced their National awards in a January 13, 2017 press release. He is the first coach from West Virginia to win the honor and also the first to win six AAA West Virginia State Championships in eight years.

Walker, a native of Pineville, WV began teaching and

## President Pellett Announces Tuition Decrease

On Tuesday GSC boldly announced its pledge to cut tuition for the 2018-19 academic year by at least 2% with the condition that coaching at East Hardy High School in 1988 as the youngest head coach in West Virginia and led his teams to the playoffs seven consecutive years.

In 1997, Coach Walker was hired to rebuild the football program at Martinsburg High School and returned them to the AAA playoffs in 1998 through 2017. Martinsburg won the AAA State Championship in 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2016, and 2017. Walker's teams also had State Runner-up finishes in 2001, 2003, 2004, and 2006.

Walker was named the 2013 High School Coach of the Year by the West Virginia Sports Writers Association. He received this same honor in 2010. To have received this award, which covers all scholastic sports and covers the period of April 1-March 31, for the second time in three years is unprecedented.

Dave is the winningest still active high school coach in West Virginia. In addition to being head football coach at Martinsburg High School, Walker is the school's Athletic Director and Assistant Principal. He is married to the former Belinda Nichols, a 1987 GSC graduate, from Clay County. They are the proud parents of two sons, Derek and Troy.

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Congratulations Dave on your newest Championship win. We are proud of you and proud to have you as an alumnus of Glenville State College.

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