

# Biography

---



**John A. Edwardson**  
**Chairman and Chief Executive Officer**  
**CDW Computer Centers, Inc.**

John A. Edwardson is Chairman and CEO of CDW, a FORTUNE 500 company and a leading provider of technology products and services for businesses, government agencies and educational institutions. As chairman and CEO, Edwardson is responsible for the strategic direction of the company and leading the senior management team.

Edwardson brings a wealth of business experience to the management team at CDW. Before joining the CDW team, he was chairman and CEO of Burns International Service Corporation. From 1994 to 1998, Edwardson served as president and COO of UAL Corporation and United Airlines and was a member of its board of directors. Prior to joining UAL in 1994, he was executive vice president and CFO of Ameritech Corporation.

An Indiana native, Edwardson earned a bachelor's degree in industrial engineering from Purdue University and a master's of business administration from the University of Chicago. He is on the board of directors of Household International. He also serves on the board of trustees of Purdue University, the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, the Art Institute of Chicago and the Ravinia Festival. Edwardson belongs to the Economic Club of Chicago and serves on the Advisory Council of the University of Chicago Graduate School of Business.