

2017 CAES Nomination Form



**BEN LAUSTEN - 2017-20 DIRECTOR-AT-LARGE NOMINATION**

May, 2017

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<b>Q1: Name</b>	Ben Lausten
<b>Q2: Title</b>	District Curriculum Specialist
<b>Q3: District</b>	Summit School District
<b>Q4: Work Address</b> 150 School Rd. Frisco, CO 80443	
<b>Q5: Work Email Address</b>	blausten@summitk12.org
<b>Q6: Work Phone Number</b>	970-368-1333
<b>Q7: I am a 2016-17 Full-Active Member of CAES/CASE. (If you are currently an Affiliate Member and would like to upgrade to Full-Active status, or if you are not sure about your member type, please contact the CASE office at 303.762.8762.)</b>	Yes
<b>Q8: I am nominating for the role of:</b>	CAES Director-At-Large - September 1, 2017 - August 31, 2020
<b>Q9: I have been a member of CASE for (please select one):</b>	3-5 years
<b>Q10: I am able to attend four (4) CAES Board meetings per year.</b>	Yes
<b>Q11: Educational Background</b> Completed Degrees: - Bachelor of the Arts, University of Northern Colorado - Human Communications and Elementary Education - Master of the Arts, Colorado Christian University - Curriculum and Development with Technology Emphasis Educational Specialist, Jones International University - K-12 Education Leadership	

Educational experience:

- Teacher On Special Assignment: District Curriculum Specialist 2013-Present (Including: Cognitive Coaching Coordinator, READ Act, Kindergarten Readiness, Standards-Based Grading and assessment development, district and elementary professional development, elementary curriculum development and implementation, facilitator of new teacher orientation, mentor training, and new teacher induction)
- Breckenridge Elementary School: 3rd grade teacher 2010-2013; 1st grade teacher 2008-2010
- Soaring Hawk Elementary School: 2nd grade teacher 2004-2008
- Roxborough Elementary School: Kindergarten teacher 2003-2004

#### **Q12: Honors and Awards**

Recognized as one of 100 Colorado Educators to Follow on Twitter (2016)

Parent Nomination (2010) 9News Teachers Who Care

Student Nomination (2008) Douglas County Apple Teacher Award

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#### **Q13: Describe your CASE/CAES involvement and community service activities**

Colorado ESSA standards spoke committee member, 2016-17

Presented at CASE Summer, 2015 (session: READING Higher: Preparing Middle School Principals for the READ Act)

Attended all CASE summer and winter conferences since Summer, 2013

Attended all CAES peer sessions since Summer, 2013

Member of The Rebels Project: a nonprofit group connecting and supporting survivors of mass trauma incidents, 2013 to present

**Q14: If you have any comments or concerns about this: mid-term 2017 CAES Board Election, please enter them below, or call Barb Albright in the CASE office, 303.762.8762. Thank you!**

During the last 4 years, I have experienced the power of the statewide collaboration of the CAES subgroup. The organization has facilitated connections through CDE and other professionals to address current legislation implementation, enable conversations addressing the complex challenges districts are facing, and create strategic trainings to support teachers from the perspective of empowerment of district-level facilitators. It would be an honor to serve my colleagues and peers in continuing this work.