



Sarah Clapham Named 2022 Colorado School Counselor of the Year

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Sarah Clapham, school counselor at West Middle School in Colorado Springs, Colorado, has been named the 2022 Colorado School Counselor of the Year by Colorado School Counselor Association (CSCA). Clapham is a graduate of University of Colorado, Colorado Springs, has been a counselor for fourteen years and has been with West Middle School since 2018.

The award honors the professionals who devote their careers to serving as advocates – and often lifesavers – for their students.

Principal, Leilani Mullins, supports Clapham’s efforts throughout the school.

Some comments made by her nominators include,

“Dynamic, versatile, steady, generous, committed, outstanding; these words resounded throughout the West Middle School and district community when talking about the positive impact Sarah Clapham brings to everything that she does as a school counselor. ”

“Sarah’s advocacy, impact, and leadership within the West Middle School community led to a retained school counselor position, and she continues to bring more innovation and intervention–spearheading Sources of Strength coaching, leading the WEB and Smart-Girl programs, and partnering with feeder high school counseling departments to expand 8th to 9th grade transition processes. ”

“Sarah’s integrity is evident in her unwavering inclusion of all members of our diverse community through data-driven innovation and multi-tiered advocacy, while staying calm under pressure and continuing to incorporate opportunities for growth and development.”

“Sarah advocates for the counseling profession in our district by serving on a variety of committees, including the ICAP Steering Committee, in which she lends her experience and vision to creating sustainable change to grow the efficacy of our district ICAP programming. She also serves as a mentor to new counselors both within West Middle School and new counselors who are seeking induction mentors.”

Clapham was honored as the 2022 Colorado Counselor of the Year at the Colorado School Counselor Association Annual Conference in October.

Clapham will represent Colorado as the School Counselor of the Year in the American School Counselor Association (ASCA) annual national School Counselor of the Year award ceremony.

About the Colorado School Counselor Association

The Colorado School Counselor Association (CSCA) is a nonprofit, professional organization representing Professional School Counselors in the state of Colorado. As a state level organization of the American School Counselor Association (ASCA), CSCA promotes student success by expanding the image and influence of professional school counseling through leadership, advocacy, collaboration and systemic change. CSCA helps school counselors guide their students toward academic achievement, social and emotional development, and career planning to help today’s students become tomorrow’s productive, contributing members of society. For additional information on the Colorado School Counselor Association, visit www.coloradoschoolcounselor.org. ###