



Home of the Warriors

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## News Flash!

### **West Middle School has been recognized as a 2019 Colorado Trailblazer School to Watch!**

The Colorado Trailblazer Schools to Watch initiative has been a part of the Colorado Association of Middle Level Education (CAMLE) for the last 10 years. CAMLE works with Colorado Trailblazer Schools to Watch to showcase their evidence-based strategies at statewide and regional conferences, workshops, and school site visits. All of the Colorado Schools to Watch open their doors to visitors who are interested in learning replicable practices that can be implemented in any school system.

The Colorado Trailblazer Schools to Watch program is part of a national force in middle grades education. The National Forum to Accelerate Middle Grades Reform identifies high-performing middle grades schools that are academically excellent, responsive to the developmental challenges of young adolescents, and socially equitable holding high expectations for all students. Designated schools are then charged with the responsibility to work with other schools around their state to raise the level of student achievement for all middle level grade students.

West Middle School will be officially recognized as a 2019 Colorado Trailblazer School to Watch at the National Schools to Watch Conference in Washington DC in June.

In Celebration,

Shalah P. Sims, Principal  
West Middle School