

## Press Release

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### Angela Baber Named Executive Director of Jeffco Schools Foundation

**Golden, CO (Jan. 23, 2020)** - The Jeffco Schools Foundation, serving as the community foundation for Jeffco Public Schools, named Angela Baber as its next leader. Baber's deep and relevant professional experience and proven track record in supporting quality and equity in public education preK-12 at the national, state, and local levels elevated her to the top of the impressive candidate pool.

"Angela's professional experience and passion align with Jeffco Schools Foundation's vision that *all Jeffco students have a valuable and meaningful learning experience which prepares and inspires them for a successful future*" said Dayna Ashley-Oehm, Chair, Jeffco Schools Foundation Board of Directors. "With nearly twenty years of experience supporting K-12 public education across the nation and within Colorado, Angela will bring a renewed purpose and passion to achieving the Jeffco Schools Foundation mission to connect the community to Jeffco classroom needs, and bring resources and partnerships to bridge gaps facing the district, schools, teachers, and students."

"I am delighted to welcome Angela Baber as the new Executive Director of the Jeffco Schools Foundation" shared Dr. Jason Glass, Superintendent, Jeffco Public Schools. "Jeffco Schools Foundation has been an invaluable partner to this District for nearly forty years. Under Angela's leadership, we will celebrate and honor the contributions of our founding and existing partners and will engage even more members of our community in supporting all of our students, our educators, and our schools."

"As a Jeffco mom of three and a long-time supporter of public education, I am passionately committed to leveraging my professional expertise, national and local networks, and my experience in fundraising and program development to measurably and equitably support our schools," expressed Baber. "There is no other organization as uniquely poised to generate substantial support for our schools through fostering and developing key partnerships across our community and our District."

As the Jeffco Schools Foundation Executive Director, Baber will partner with District leadership, schools, and educators to expand upon and build program support for key initiative areas that increase excellence and equity for Jeffco students. Focus areas include community engagement, celebrating educator excellence, and building philanthropic partnerships.



#### **Angela Baber Bio**

Baber most recently served as the Executive Director for LEAD STEM with the Teaching Institute for Excellence in STEM, is the Founder and Senior Consultant for IDEA Consulting, spent over five years as an Initiative Director at the Colorado Education Initiative advancing public education across the state, and spent three years at the DC-based National Governors Association supporting governors and their key staff to champion and advance public education.

Baber is a University of Colorado Boulder graduate with a degree in Astrophysics.

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#### **About Jeffco Public Schools**

Jeffco Public Schools has been providing educational excellence for 70 years. The district serves over 84,000 students at 155 schools. Jeffco Public Schools is dedicated to changing the classroom experience through Readiness for Learning, Conditions for Learning, and Learning as outlined in the [Jeffco Strategic Plan](#).

### About Jeffco Schools Foundation

Founded in 1983, [Jeffco Schools Foundation](#) is one of the oldest school foundations, beginning a movement among other school districts to create or reignite community support for public education where public education funding falls short. Jeffco Schools Foundation is a nonprofit organization registered in compliance with the Colorado Secretary of State. The organization has a strong and supportive relationship with the District, its leadership, and with school leadership.

Jeffco Schools Foundation has a mission to connect the community to Jeffco classroom needs, and bring resources and partnerships to bridge gaps facing the district, schools, teachers and students. The Jeffco Schools Foundation vision states all Jeffco students have a valuable and meaningful learning experience which prepares and inspires them for a successful future.

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