

Center for Leadership and Innovation

Here is your Invitation to Nominate An Outstanding CAS Middle-Level School for 2018-2019

Purpose

- To give public recognition in Connecticut and nationally to an outstanding CAS-Member Middle School that represents the best in the profession.
- 2. The school chosen will receive recognition in the media, in CAS publications, and at a CAS sponsored ceremony in their community.

Eligibility

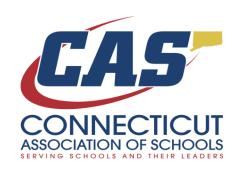
The following criteria will be used to determine the recipient of this award:

- 1. The school must be a CAS Member Middle-Level School and exhibit the following Best Practices:
 - Evidence of a safe and healthy school environment.
 - Evidence that the school involves parents and the community in supporting student learning and healthy development.
 - Student services that go beyond those that are part of a typical school, i.e. clubs, activities, support services, and extra help for those who need it.
 - Evidence that the school's educational programs are consistently being reviewed and improved.
 - A researched based curriculum with appropriate assessment grounded in standards.
 - Instructional methods and strategies designed to prepare students to meet high standards.
 - Teaming practices that drive instruction.
 - Personalization of the school environment.
 - Collaborative leadership and professional learning communities.
- 2. Previous winners may not apply for a period of five years and must clearly show significant change from the previous application. Finalists {schools receiving site visits} must wait until the third school year following the visit before reapplying. Schools not selected as finalists are welcome to re-apply at any time.
- 3. Each of the nine criteria listed above must be individually addressed in narrative form. The total response <u>must not exceed 10 pages</u> (12-point font/single spaced).
- 4. Applications must be delivered to CAS or postmarked no later than *February 19*, 2018.
- 5. The winning school will be invited to share exemplary practices and programs with other CAS middle-level schools by offering CAS workshops, writing for CAS publications, and/or welcoming visitors to their school.
- 6. Nominations may be made by any present or former member of the school staff or by district central-office personnel.
- 7. Nominations should be submitted to: Mrs. Donna Schilke, Assistant Executive Director

The Connecticut Association of Schools 30 Realty Drive, Cheshire, Connecticut 06410

Timeline

- 1. Applications will be reviewed in February and March.
- 2. Finalists will be visited in April, 2018.



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Outstanding Middle-Level School of the Year 2018-2019

Nomination Title Sheet: Nomination Must Be From a CAS-Member School

(Deadline for Submission is February 19, 2018)

I nominate the following CAS school as an outstanding middle-level school for the year 2018-2019:

School			
Address			
Town/City	Zip	Telephone	
E-Mail Address of Principal			
School Website			
Nominator:			
Typed Name of Nominator		Signature of Nominator	
Position of Nominator		Date Submitted	
Telephone Number of Nominator		E-Mail Address of Nominator	_
Address of Nominator			
Endorsement by Superintendent of S	<u>chools</u>		
I have read and support this application			
Typed Name of Superintendent		Signature of Superintendent	
Telephone Number of Superintendent		E-Mail Address of Superintendent	
Address of Superintendent			
For CAS Use Only:			
Date Received	Number of Pages	Criteria Addressed	