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This Meritorious Budget Award is presented to

**DOUGLAS COUNTY
SCHOOL DISTRICT RE. 1**

for excellence in the preparation and issuance of its budget
for the Fiscal Year 2017–2018.

The budget adheres to the principles and standards
of ASBO International's Meritorious Budget Award criteria.



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Anthony N. Dragona, Ed.D., RSBA
President

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John D. Musso', written over a horizontal line.

John D. Musso, CAE, RSBA
Executive Director



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School District Recognized for Award-Winning Budget

Douglas County School District RE. 1 Castle Rock, CO

RESTON, VA – 2017. The Association of School Business Officials International (ASBO) is proud to award Douglas County School District RE. 1 of Castle Rock, CO, with the Meritorious Budget Award (MBA) during the 2017–2018 budget year. The MBA promotes and recognizes excellence in school budget presentation and is conferred only to school districts whose budgets have undergone a rigorous review by financial professionals and have met or exceeded the program’s stringent criteria.

By applying for the award, school business officials learn best budget presentation practices and enhance their skills in developing, and presenting a school system budget. “School business officials are responsible for ensuring taxpayer dollars are spent wisely, and that the district budget reflects student priorities and needs,” says ASBO International Executive Director John Musso. “The MBA program helps applicants create an accessible, accurate budget that builds trust with their community. This award recognizes districts that have made it clear they want students at the center of their fiscal plan and vision.”

Voya Financial®, a top provider of retirement plans for the academic community and an ASBO International strategic partner, is the exclusive sponsor of the MBA. “Voya has a long history of supporting the retirement needs of school business professionals, and we are honored to recognize this year’s Meritorious Budget Award winners,” says Heather Lavalley, president of Tax-Exempt Markets for Voya Financial. “Like this year’s award winners, Voya shares in the pursuit of excellence and in inspiring the type of action that leads to positive outcomes. We are committed to offering the best solutions to help our nation’s educators and school officials prepare for retirement—so they can focus on helping their students prepare for a bright future.”

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