

**2021 CHARTER SCHOOL EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR  
PRESS RELEASE**



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**BENTLEY RYBERG NAMED CHARTER SCHOOL EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR**

Jefferson Academy is honored to celebrate this amazing educator

BROOMFIELD, CO — Colorado League of Charter Schools (CLCS) awarded the 2021 Charter School Educator of the Year Award to Bentley Ryberg on Friday, March 5, 2021 in recognition of her continued excellence as a kindergarten teacher at Jefferson Academy Charter School.

This award is part of the annual CLCS Hall of Fame Awards, given each year to Colorado Charter School leaders, supporters, and teachers. Ms. Ryberg was selected from over 100 nominees in six categories for this award. Colorado League of Charter Schools (CLCS) represents the 261 Colorado Charter Schools that serve over 130,000 students.

After earning her undergraduate degree in Early Childhood Education from the University of Northern Colorado in 1979, Ms. Ryberg taught at schools in Kansas and the Denver metro area before joining Jefferson Academy when it opened in 1994. Nominated by Mike Munier, founding principal of Jefferson Academy, Ms. Ryberg exemplifies excellence in education, dedication to students, and a commitment to the community.

The mission of Jefferson Academy is to help students attain their highest academic and character potential through an academically rigorous, content-rich educational program. Established as a public charter school in 1994, Jefferson Academy envisions a community of parents, teachers, students and educational and business leaders working together to create a learning environment that engenders growth in character, academic achievement, and the love of learning, resulting in responsible, productive citizens.

