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Executive Director Newsletter

The CASE Conference is happening this week, and some say the year starts in earnest right after the CASE Conference in Breckenridge. School district leaders have worked all summer in preparation for teachers and students, and the first day of school is on the horizon.

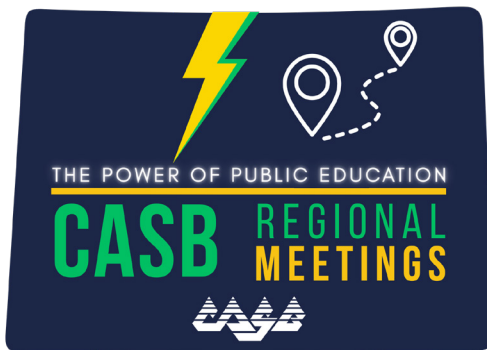
CASB has been gearing up for the start of the year as well, and the upcoming [regional meetings](#) are an important launch for school board members to share their voices about educational topics and policies that impact your districts and your students.

This year, CASB is going to be in 16 different locations during the month of August, so we will be in your neighborhood. The regional meetings will be a time for CASB to share what is happening statewide, but more importantly, [the meetings will be an opportunity for us to listen to your concerns and suggestions—this is the time for you to help us work on your behalf to build better school boards, and that starts with us being close and listening.](#)

The [survey link](#) in this week's Brief will be an opportunity for you to guide the specific topics we will talk about at your regional meeting. [Please take 1 – 2 minutes to help us frame the regional meeting discussion to meet your needs.](#)

We are looking forward to seeing everyone in your backyard. If we don't see you before the first day of school, have a wonderful start to the school year.

-Jubal Yennie, CASB Executive Director



Mark your calendar and secure your spot today for your [CASB Regional Meeting](#)! These meetings are a valuable chance for board members to connect, learn, and collaborate — all hallmarks of effective governance. [Please take 1-2 minutes to complete the regional survey below to help us frame the meeting to your district needs.](#)

[McGuffey Nominations are Live!](#)

We're excited to once again present the CASB McGuffey Awards to outstanding board members who exemplify dedication, integrity, and passionate service. This award honors individuals whose contributions leave a lasting impact on their boards and communities.

Take the time to recognize a deserving member of your board [here](#).



[Take the Regional Meetings Survey!](#)

Elections Update & Resources

[It's almost time for candidates to turn in their petitions to run for school board!](#)

Starting August 6, school districts can publish the Call for Nominations which provides information about available board seats and how prospective candidates can submit petitions. Additionally, school districts may begin to provide nominating petitions to prospective candidates. Completed candidate petitions are due by August 29. After petitions are received, the district must verify that all signatures on the petition are valid.

To help school districts meet this upcoming deadline and ensure they are ready for candidate petitions, review our [Sample Candidate Petition](#), [Sample Call for Nominations](#), [Candidate Petition Verification Cheat Sheet](#), and [Election Timeline](#). The Candidate Petition is available in English and Spanish and has a 40-signature and a 70-signature version, since signature requirements differ by the size of the district. Our Call for Nominations is also available on Spanish. [Alternate versions are available here.](#)