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Moffat High School Counselor Honored by Colorado's CollegeInvest *Mollie Benton named March Counselor of the Month*

MOFFAT, CO– CollegeInvest, in partnership with the Colorado Council on High School/College Relations, is proud to honor Mollie Benton of Moffat High School as March's Counselor of the Month.

The Counselor of the Month program is designed to give counselors the recognition they deserve.

"High school counselors are unsung heroes, encouraging students to dream and accomplish their goals," said Misti Ruthven of CollegeInvest, Colorado's not-for-profit higher education financing resource. "Counselors often go unrecognized as champions for students to go on to bigger and better things and to follow their dreams."

Benton was nominated by her colleague Melissa Moeller. Moeller speaks highly of Benton's commitment to helping the students of Moffat High School excel in all aspects of their education.

"She represents everything a counselor should be," says Moeller. "She works very hard for her students and is very dedicated to them."

Michelle Hashbarger, Moffat School principal, praised high school counselors such as Benton for their dedication to students' achievement and for their focus on enhancing students' educational and career development.

To nominate a high school counselor for a future counselor of the month award, visit www.collegeinvest.org/mycounselor.

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