

## NEWS RELEASE

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### **Carol Carter Named 2017 Apex Award Finalist**

Colorado Technology Association awards honor the leaders making an impact on Colorado's technology talent pipeline

**(DENVER, CO – October xx, 2017)** — Carol Carter, president and founder of [GlobalMindED](#) and [Lifebound](#), has been named a finalist for a [2017 Colorado Technology Association Apex Award](#). The awards honor the leaders and innovators who are shaping the future of the technology industry in Colorado. The winners will be recognized at a dinner at the Seawell Ballroom in Denver on November 8.

The Apex Awards highlight companies and individuals in 12 different categories. Carter was nominated in the Talent Champion category, which recognizes individuals who make a measurable impact on the technology talent pipeline in Colorado. Finalists must actively lead and support initiatives that help to build a strong local pipeline of qualified workers for technology companies and IT departments across the state. The champion must also demonstrate efforts to promote a work environment free from bias and discrimination, and create opportunities to promote diversity, respect and inclusiveness.

Carol Carter is a national and international student success author and speaker. She is the author of 11 books for students in grades 5-12, and her *Keys to Success* series is used by more than 200,000 college freshmen each year throughout the U.S., Canada, and China. For the last twelve years, Carter has been president of LifeBound, a student success company that publishes books and conducts trainings in academic coaching skills for college faculty and K-12 administrators, counselors, teachers, and parents. Prior to that, she was an executive at Pearson Education for 17 years.

Most recently, Carol is the founder of GlobalMindED, a non-profit organization that holds an annual conference convening leaders in education, government, business, and social enterprise committed to making a world of difference through creating a capable, diverse talent pipeline. Carol's business experience and her international work provide a unique perspective on how schools and businesses can prepare students to thrive in college and career.

#### **About GlobalMindEd**

GlobalMindED is an educational and research non-profit committed to creating a capable, diverse talent pipeline for first-generation-to-college, at-risk and low-income students and job seekers. GlobalMindED aims to improve access and equity in K-12 and higher education through improved graduation rates and sustainable careers. Learn more at [www.globalminded.org](http://www.globalminded.org).

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