Laurette Nassif completed her PhD in French at CU Boulder. Laurette came to the United States in 1998 and started as a lecturer in French at Stanford University while finishing her PhD at the University of Colorado in Boulder. Laurette won the Americorps Award for community services in 2011. Currently, Laurette teaches at Douglas County High School and serves as the World Languages Curriculum French lead for the district. Laurette is also a lecturer of French at the Altec at the University of Colorado in Boulder and serves as the French lead at Altec. Laurette is the Secretary of American Association of Teachers of Foreign Languages for the Wyoming and Colorado chapter. Laurette believes in equity among all teachers and advocates for equal pay for teachers in the country with the AATF CO/WY chapter community.

Laurette is a strong proponent of immersion and believes primarily in using the target language and authentic material in the classroom. Through her mission of preparing the students to acquire the language, Laurette prepares the students to think outside of their communities and become global citizens. Laurette believes that the mission of the teacher is to make the language accessible and enjoyable to everyone. Laurette is honored to be the recipient of the Colorado Conference of Foreign Language Teachers (CCFLT) 2021 Teacher of the Year award.

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