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E-UPDATE FROM CSSRC ~ You are receiving this email as a subscriber of the Colorado School Safety Resource Center's (CSSRC) listserv. E-Updates from the CSSRC will contain the most current information about the Center's activities and resources, as well as other school safety efforts throughout the state of Colorado and relevant national resources. **Please forward this to others on your email list who have an interest in supporting safe and positive schools in Colorado. They may register for this listserv on our website** www.Colorado.gov/SchoolSafetyResourceCenter or www.Colorado.gov/CSSRC.

CURRENT EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

❖ **WE NEED YOUR ASSISTANCE!!**

Colorado School Safety Resource Center's Needs Assessment Survey

- In order to plan the most helpful workshops and resource acquisitions for the coming school year, we need your input. Please take 10 minutes and anonymously complete the Needs Assessment from the link below. We very much appreciate your feedback.
- [Click here to access the Needs Assessment via Survey Monkey](#)
- [Click here to access the Needs Assessment via .PDF](#) which can then be faxed to the CSSRC at 303-239-4510

❖ **NEW NASSP's National Dialogue on Mental Health**

- As part of President Obama's proposal to launch a national dialogue to increase understanding about mental health and its impact on youth, NASSP is calling upon school leaders to address these issues with their students.
- Middle schools and high schools across the country are being invited to participate in this important conversation by holding an assembly on emotional health, negative attitudes toward people with mental illness, and the importance of reaching out to a responsible adult for help when needed.
- [Click here for more information and to express your commitment to hold a mental health assembly at your school...](#)

❖ **NEW March 20th is Kick Butts Day**

- Kick Butts Day is a national day of activism that empowers youth to stand out, speak up and seize control against Big Tobacco. As a teacher, youth leader or health advocate, you can organize events to raise awareness of the tobacco problem, encourage youth to stay tobacco-free and urge strong action to protect kids from tobacco.
- [Click here for more information and to plan your event...](#)

COLORADO SCHOOL SAFETY RESOURCE CENTER TRAININGS

❖ **NEW Threat Assessment in Schools: Latest Updates – Sponsored by Colorado School Safety Resource Center**

- **April 12, 2013—Loveland, 8:00am – 3:30pm, the Fountains of Loveland, 1480 Cascade Avenue, Loveland, CO 80538 **Registration is open** Course ID# 1041995**
- **Featuring Keynote Speaker:** Dr. John Nicoletti, Ph.D., ABPP
- **It is suggested you attend with your entire threat assessment team:** administrator, school mental health professional and law enforcement personnel
- **No charge for Colorado participants.** Space is limited and registration is required.
- **Registration Instructions:** Please go to www.CO.train.org. Set up a learner account and register for the symposium location and date using the **course ID** number: **1041995**. You will need Internet Explorer to register through the CO Train System. If you have questions or need assistance with registration, please contact the Colorado School Safety Resource Center at 303-239-4435.
- See the [Threat Assessment in Schools: Latest Updates Flyer](#) for more information.

❖ **NEW Proactive Discipline Approaches – Sponsored by Colorado School Safety Resource Center**

- **April 19, 2013—Thornton, 8:00am – 3:30pm, Adams 12 Five Star Schools Conference Center, 1500 E. 128th Avenue, Thornton, CO 80241 **Registration is open** Course ID# 1042137**
- **Designed for:** administrators, school mental health professionals, school safety directors, teachers, law enforcement personnel and community partners
- **No charge for Colorado participants.** Space is limited and registration is required.
- **Registration Instructions:** Please go to www.CO.train.org. Set up a learner account and register for the symposium location and date using the **course ID** number: **1042137**. You will need Internet Explorer to register through the CO Train System. If you have questions or need assistance with registration, please contact the Colorado School Safety Resource Center at 303-239-4435.
- See the [Proactive Discipline Approaches Flyer](#) for more information.

❖ **Bullying Prevention Institutes – Sponsored by Colorado School Safety Resource Center, Colorado Department of Education, and Colorado Legacy Foundation with a generous grant from the Gill Foundation**

- **April 25, 2013--Durango, 8:00am – 3:30pm, DoubleTree Hotel by Hilton, 501 Camino Del Rio, Durango, CO 81301 **Registration is open** Course ID# 1033731**
- **NEW May 9, 2013—Steamboat Springs, 8:00am -3:30pm, Steamboat Grand, 2300 Mt. Werner Circle, Steamboat Springs, CO 80487 **Registration is open** Course ID# 1033731**
- **Featuring Special Guest Speaker:** Dorothy Espelage, Ph.D., University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign
- **Designed for:** administrators, teachers, PBIS teams, school safety teams, school mental health professionals
- **No charge for Colorado participants.** Space is limited and registration is required.
- **Registration Instructions:** Please go to www.CO.train.org. Set up a learner account and register for the symposium location and date using the **course ID** number: **1033731**. You will need Internet Explorer to register through the CO Train System. If you have questions or need assistance with registration, please contact the Colorado School Safety Resource Center at 303-239-4435.
- See the [Bullying Prevention Institute Flyer for Durango](#) for more information.
- See the [Bullying Prevention Institute Flyer for Steamboat Springs](#) for more information.

❖ **NEW Youth Substance Abuse Symposium – Sponsored by Colorado School Safety Resource Center, Colorado Department of Education, and Colorado Department of Human Services**

- **May 8, 2013 – Grand Junction**, 8:00am – 3:30pm, **Grand Vista Hotel**, 2790 Crossroads Boulevard, Grand Junction, CO 81506 ****Registration is open** Course ID# 1031923**
- **Featuring Special Guest Speakers:**
 - Paula Riggs, M.D., Professor in the Department of Psychiatry at the University of Colorado at Denver and the Director of the Division of Substance Dependence at the University of Colorado School of Medicine
 - Katie Wells, M.P.A, CACIII, Manager of Adolescent Substance Use Disorder Programs for the Colorado Department of Human Services, Division of Behavioral Health.
 - Marguerite McCormack, M.A., L.P.C., author, consultant, trainer and practitioner in the field of trauma and vicarious traumatization
 - Lynn Riemer, ACT on Drugs, former forensic chemist with the DEA and a former chemist/criminalist with the North Metro Drug Task Force in Denver
- **Designed for:** school substance abuse prevention personnel, administrators, school health and mental health professionals, school safety teams, law enforcement officers and community mental health personnel
- **No charge for Colorado participants.** Space is limited and registration is required.
- **Registration Instructions:** Please go to www.CO.train.org. Set up a learner account and register for the symposium location and date using the **course ID** number: **1031923**. You will need Internet Explorer to register through the CO Train System. If you have questions or need assistance with registration, please contact the Colorado School Safety Resource Center at 303-239-4435.
- See the [Youth Substance Abuse Symposium flyer](#) for more information.

❖ **Adult Sexual Misconduct in Schools: Prevention & Management – Sponsored by Colorado School Safety Resource Center and Colorado Association of School Boards**

- **Designed for:** Administrators, human resources professionals, school board members and any other interested parties
- Arrange a two-hour video-based workshop at your site.
- **No charge for Colorado participants.**
- See the [Adult Sexual Misconduct in Schools Flyer](#) for more information.

CSSRC ONLINE COURSE OFFERINGS

❖ **Crisis Planning for an Off-Campus Event**

- Learn how to prepare your school with the Colorado School Safety Resource Center's new NO-COST online learning module, "[Crisis Planning for an Off-Campus Event.](#)"
- Course ID 1026872 on www.CO.Train.org

❖ **Bullying Prevention & Intervention Under Colorado Law**

- Keep yourself and your school informed about Colorado laws ([HB 11-1254](#)) and best practices regarding bullying with the Colorado School Safety Resource Center's new NO-COST online learning module, "[Bullying Prevention & Intervention Under Colorado Law.](#)"
- Course ID 1034235 on www.CO.Train.org

WEBINARS

❖ **NEW Reforming Juvenile Justice: National Report and How it Can Inform Your Work**

- March 4, 2013, 2:30pm-3:30pm ET

- Sponsored by the [Coalition for Juvenile Justice](#)
- Join CJJ for a presentation by Betty M. Chemers and Richard J. Bonnie about their recently-released, *Reforming Juvenile Justice: A Developmental Approach*, from the National Research Council at the National Academies Press. Chemers and Bonnie will highlight the report's findings including current research on adolescence and implications for juvenile justice policy and practice reforms at the federal, state, and local levels.
- [Click here for more information and to register...](#)

❖ **NEW** Integrated Pest Management in Schools: Protecting Children in Schools from Pests and Pesticides

- **March 6, 2013, 2:00pm-3:00pm ET**
- Hosted by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
- Children in the United States continue to face risks arising from exposure to pests and pesticides in school settings. School IPM is an approach to managing pests that schools can use to reduce pest and pesticide risk for students and staff. The EPA's recently released Strategic and Implementation Plans for School IPM demonstrate how the EPA will promote the goal that all of the nation's children be covered by a verifiable and ongoing school IPM program.
- [Click here for more information...](#)
- [Click here to read the Strategic and Implementations Plans for School Integrated Pest Management document...](#)
- [Click here for registration information...](#)

❖ **NEW** Brain Research and Underage Screening—Getting Informed, Preparing to Act

- **March 7, 2013, 2:00pm – 3:00pm ET**
- Sponsored by the [National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism](#)
- Nearly 10 million 12- to 20-year-olds in the United States are underage drinkers, with serious negative consequences for individuals, families, and communities. This webinar series will feature national leaders and experts discussing the nature and extent of the problem, lessons from recent research, and evidence based strategies for addressing underage drinking.
- [Click here for to register...](#)

❖ Supportive School Discipline Webinar Series (archived)

- The Supportive School Discipline Initiative is aimed at targeting school disciplinary policies and practices that push youth out of school and many times into the justice system. Research has consistently demonstrated the negative impact of punitive and exclusionary school discipline practices but has also highlighted successful, supportive alternatives.
- As a result of the growing body of evidence demonstrating the alarming relationship between widespread school suspensions and expulsions and involvement in the justice system, today's schools, courts, and communities require new thinking about how to positively approach discipline when children violate boundaries and policies in school. This Webinar, the first in the SSD Webinar Series, provides the knowledge that school, district, and court staff, law enforcement, and community stakeholders need to better understand the issues surrounding traditional school discipline practices and examples of how communities have shifted their disciplinary approaches.
- [Download the presentation slides...](#)
- [View the webinar recording...](#)

OTHER COLORADO TRAININGS

❖ Brain Injury Alliance of Colorado 2013 Trainings

- **March 1, 2013**, St. Francis Medical Center Auditorium, Colorado Springs -- [Brain Injury: Practical Approaches to Treatment](#)
- **March 22, 2013**, Imagine! Joe Taylor Conference Center, 1665 Coal Creek Drive, Lafayette -- Brainstorm 2013: Empowering Recovery
- **April 5, 2013**, Best Western PLUS Crossroads Inn and Conference Center, Loveland -- Pathways to Community: Brain Injury Professional Workshop with Dr. Al Condeluci
- **April 6, 2013**, Best Western PLUS Crossroads Inn and Conference Center, Loveland -- The SCENE (Survivor & Caregiver Education & Networking Experience): Advocating for a Better Community with Dr. Al Condeluci
- **April 25, 2013**, Pueblo Community College, Pueblo
- **May 4, 2013**, Two Rivers Convention Center, Grand Junction
- **June 26, 2013**, Durango Public Library, Durango
- **July 12, 2013**, Community & Senior Center, Frisco
- **August 15-17, 2013**, Western State College, Gunnison
- [Click here for the 2013 Regional Brain Injury Conferences flyer...](#)

❖ **NEW School Engagement Professional Development Series**

- **March 6, 2013, 2:00pm – 5:00pm**, Get Your Ducks in a Row: Aligning School Practice with Best Practice
- **March 13, 2013, 2:00pm – 5:00pm**, Before It's Too Late: Using the Early Warning System for Dropout Prevention
- **March 20, 2013, 2:00pm – 5:00pm**, Getting Serious: A Best Practice Approach to Bullying Prevention
- **April 3, 2013, 2:00pm – 5:00pm**, Motivational Interviewing with Teens
- **April 17, 2013, 2:00pm – 5:00pm**, Working Effectively with Parents
- Presented by [The Partnership for Families and Children](#), 450 Lincoln Street, Suite 100, Denver, CO 80203
- [Click here for registration...](#)

❖ **NEW safeTALK Suicide Awareness Workshop**

- **March 10, 2013, 10:00am – 1:30pm**, Colorado Club Office Building, 4155 E. Jewell Avenue, Denver, CO
- Sponsored by the [American Foundation for Suicide Prevention Colorado Chapter](#)
- safeTALK, about three hours in duration, is a training that prepares anyone over the age of 15 to identify persons with thoughts of suicide and connect them to suicide first aid resources. Most people with thoughts of suicide invite help to stay safe. Alert helpers know how to use these opportunities to support that desire for safety.
- Contact Phyllis Harvey to register for the workshop: pharvey@dcsheriff.net or 303-814-7033
- [Click here for more information...](#)

❖ **NEW Prevention in Schools and Communities: Taking Advances in Prevention Science to Scale**

- **March 12, 2013, 11:00am – 12:30pm**, Graduate School of Social Work, Boettcher Foundation Community Room, 2148 S. High Street, Denver, CO 80208
- Presented by J. David Hawkins, Ph.D.
- This lecture is co-sponsored by The Colorado Implementation Collaborative (CIC) in partnership with The Colorado Trust - Convening for Colorado.
- [Click here for registration...](#)

❖ **NEW Educational Advocacy for Youth Involved in the Juvenile Justice System**

- **March 22, 2013, 9:00am – 3:00pm**, CentrePoint Plaza, 14980 E. Alameda Drive, Aurora, CO 80112
- Sponsored by the [Colorado Juvenile Council](#)

- Local experts: Amy Bishop, SB94 Education Advocate, 17th JD and Kristin Wessinger, Esq., Rocky Mountain Children’s Law Center
 - Improved school performance reduces juvenile justice involvement and leads to greater success in foster care. YOU are the key to advocating for your clients to stay in school, stay engaged and get their educational needs met! Get the tools. Know the law. ADVOCATE!
 - Lunch is provided and space is limited.
 - [Click here for the informational flyer and registration information...](#)
- ❖ **NEW Seeing Youth Through a Grief and Trauma Lens**
- **March 22, 2013, 9:00am – 11:30am, Auraria Campus, Tivoli, Room 444, Denver, CO**
 - Sponsored by the Center for High Risk Youth Studies at Metropolitan State University of Denver
 - Please RSVP to Annie Butler, 303-556-3105 or lbutler6@msudenver.edu.
- ❖ **Statewide Convening on LGBT Youth for Adults Who Work with Youth**
- **March 23, 2013, 8:30am-3:00pm University of Colorado Boulder, University Memorial Center, Room 235, 1669 Euclid Avenue, Boulder, CO 80302**
 - Hosted by One Colorado Education Fund and National Education Policy Center at the School of Education at the University of Colorado Boulder
 - Provides tools, research and information for people who work with LGBT youth.
 - Participants will choose from a variety of trainings and workshops on topics ranging from bullying intervention strategies to health and wellness.
 - Register now at <http://www.one-colorado.org/convening>
- ❖ **NEW SOP-DEV: Development of Standard Operating Procedure/Communications Plans**
- **March 27-28, 2013, 8:00am-4:00pm, South Metro Fire Rescue, 9195 E. Mineral Avenue, Centennial, CO 80112**
 - Sponsored by the Colorado Statewide Interoperability Executive Council (SIEC) and the Department of Homeland Security Office of Emergency Communications (OEC)
 - This service offering provides an experienced facilitator, data specialist, and public safety SMEs to conduct an SOP or Communications Plan Development Workshop. OEC/ICTAP workshop personnel provide instruction and guidance about the development of both the operational and technical facets of interoperable communications SOPs or Plans. They partner directly with the requesting state/territory, tribal, regional, and/or urban area working groups to define and document the scope, tone, and content of the required SOPs or Plans.
 - Please RSVP to oit_swic@state.co.us if you are interested in attending any of the workshops. Space is limited and interested parties will be taken on a first-come, first-served basis.
- ❖ **ASIST Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training—Western Colorado**
- **March 28-29, 2013, 8:30am-4:30pm both days, Colorado Mesa University Student Center, 1100 North Avenue, Grand Junction, CO 81501**
 - May 9-10, 2013, 8:30am-4:30pm both days
 - Full interactive 2-day workshop that prepares people from all backgrounds to provide suicide first aid and interventions
 - Workshop fee: \$75
 - Registration: email to Director@suicidepreventionfoundation.org. Make sure your subject line mentions “ASIST Registration”.
- ❖ **NEW OP-TEPW: Communications-Focused Training and Exercise Plan Workshop**

- **March 29, 2013, 8:00am-4:00pm, South Metro Fire Rescue, 9195 E. Mineral Avenue, Centennial, CO 80112**
- Sponsored by the Colorado Statewide Interoperability Executive Council (SIEC) and the Department of Homeland Security Office of Emergency Communications (OEC)
- A communications-focused TEPW provides a requestor an opportunity to translate State/territory, local, regional, and tribal goals and priorities into specific training and exercise objectives.
- Please RSVP to oit_swic@state.co.us if you are interested in attending any of the workshops. Space is limited and interested parties will be taken on a first-come, first-served basis.

❖ **ASIST Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training—Denver Metro Area**

- **April 4-5, 2013, 7:30am-4:00pm both days, Douglas County School District, Cantril Building, 312 Cantril Street, Castle Rock, CO 80104**
- June 13-14, 2013, 7:30am-4:00pm both days
- September 24-25, 2013, 7:30am-4:00pm both days
- November 13-14, 2013, 7:30am-4:00pm both days
- Made possible by: Douglas County School District, Douglas County Sheriff's Office, Douglas County Suicide Prevention Alliance, South Metro Out of the Darkness Community Walk, and American Foundation for Suicide Prevention.
- Full 2-day training will teach participants suicide "first-aid" by recognizing a person-at-risk, keeping the person safe, and assisting the person in seeking further help.
- Cost: \$50 to community members; \$25 for DCSPA members
- [Click here for the flyer...](#)

❖ **NEW 2013 Colorado Mentoring Symposium—Youth Mentoring: The Next Step**

- **April 12, 2013, 8:00am – 4:00pm, Red Lion Hotel Denver Southeast-Aurora, 3200 S. Parker Road, Aurora, CO 80014**
- Sponsored by [Serve Colorado](#) & [The Youth Mentoring Collaborative](#)
- This symposium will capture the commitment to see quality youth mentoring grow in Colorado through programming and a Colorado Mentoring Partnership.
- [Click here for registration information...](#)

❖ **NEW Fire & Life Safety Educators Conference of the Rockies**

- **April 16-18, 2013, Estes Park Convention Center & Rocky Mountain Park Inn, Estes Park, CO**
- Sponsored by [Fire & Life Safety Educators of Colorado](#)
- [For more information on the conference...](#)
- [For registration information...](#)

❖ **NEW 2013 Colorado Youth Summit: Breaking Down Barriers**

- **April 20, 2013, 8:00am – 4:00pm, North High School, 2960 N. Speer Boulevard, Denver, CO 80211**
- Powered by CO9to25.org
- This summit is a day of exciting workshops and fun activities to connect passionate youth from across Colorado. Featuring the project finale for Ready! Set! ACTION!
- RSVP to COyouthsummit@gmail.com with your name or your group's name, contact phone number, number of adults and youth attending.

❖ **NEW Excellence in Schools Summit: Correlations Between Fitness and Academic Success**

- **April 25-26, 2013, The Arvada Center for the Arts and Humanities, 6901 Wadsworth Blvd, Arvada, CO 80003**

- Sponsored by the St. Vrain Valley Schools and Red Hawk Elementary
 - The conference will feature a variety of award winning programs from all parts of the country, specialized teacher tool kits, technology in education and expert speakers, including best-selling author, Dr. John Ratey, of Harvard Medical School.
 - [Click here for more information...](#)
 - [Click here for registration information...](#)
- ❖ **Restorative Justice on a Continuum...from the Basics to High Risk**
- **May 9-10, 2013, Beth-El Mennonite Church, 4625 Ranch Drive, Colorado Springs, CO 80918**
 - Presented by the Pikes Peak Restorative Justice Council
 - Multiple break-out sessions for beginners as well as experienced volunteers, facilitators and community members
 - [Click here to register...](#)
- ❖ **NEW Technical Rescue Course**
- **Applications are due May 1, 2013**
 - **May 13-24, 2013, West Metro Fire Rescue Training Center, 3535 S. Kipling Street, Lakewood, CO**
 - The Technical Rescue School is a hands-on training program designed to meet NFPA 1006 -Standard for Technical Rescuer Professional Qualifications 2008 Edition in the disciplines of rope rescue; trench rescue; confined space entry and rescue; and building collapse shoring. This course provides participants foundational knowledge and hands-on experience with specialized equipment and techniques used on technical rescue incidents.
 - [Click here for more information...](#)
 - [Click here for registration...](#)
- ❖ **NEW Bridging the Divide: Suicide Awareness & Prevention Summit**
- **May 17, 2013, Marriott Hotel and Conference Center, 4900 S. Syracuse Street, Denver, CO 80237**
 - The 2013 Bridging the Divide conference will showcase individuals and organizations across Colorado that are promoting collaboration and wellness, and making strides to implement the National Strategy for Suicide Prevention in their communities and around the state.
 - For questions, please contact Andrea Weyand, andrea@suicidepreventioncolorado.org or 720-352-7505.
 - [Click here for more information...](#)
- ❖ **NEW TRG-COMT: All-Hazards Communications Unit Technician (COMT) Course**
- **May 20-24, 2013, 8:00am-4:00pm, South Metro Fire Rescue, 9195 E. Mineral Avenue, Centennial, CO 80112**
 - Sponsored by the Colorado Statewide Interoperability Executive Council (SIEC) and the Department of Homeland Security Office of Emergency Communications (OEC)
 - This workshop delivers introductory and refresher training for the ICS COMT position. It introduces public safety professionals and support staff to various communications concepts and technologies. This includes state-of-the-art interoperable communications solutions, LMR communications, satellite, telephone, data, and computer technologies used in incident response and planned events.
 - Please RSVP to oit_swic@state.co.us if you are interested in attending any of the workshops. Space is limited and interested parties will be taken on a first-come, first-served basis.
- ❖ **NEW Colorado Department of Human Services, Division of Youth Corrections, Provider Training Conference**
- **May 22-23, 2013, Vail Marriott 715 West Lionshead Circle, Vail, CO 81657**

- Registration packets will be available in March at www.Colorado.gov/cdhs/dyc.
- [Click here for more information...](#)

❖ **NEW SOP-COOP: Public Safety Communications Center (PSCC) Continuity of Operations (COOP)**

- **June 3, 2013, 8:00am-4:00pm, Montrose Sheriff's Office, 1200 North Grand Avenue, Montrose, CO 81401**
- **June 5, 2013, 8:00am-4:00pm, South Metro Fire Rescue, 9195 E. Mineral Avenue, Centennial, CO 80112**
- Sponsored by the Colorado Statewide Interoperability Executive Council (SIEC) and the Department of Homeland Security Office of Emergency Communications (OEC)
- This workshop helps PSCC personnel plan for continuity of operations in the event of evacuations, relocations, or loss of capabilities. It can be tailored to support other aspects of PSCC operations, including the migration to new technologies.
- Please RSVP to oit_swic@state.co.us if you are interested in attending any of the workshops. Space is limited and interested parties will be taken on a first-come, first-served basis.

❖ **Knapsack Institute: Transforming Teaching & Learning**

- **June 9-11, 2013, University of Colorado, Colorado Springs**
- The Knapsack Institute supports educators across the nation as they create curriculum and pedagogy to build inclusive classrooms and organizations. The Institute is a program of The Matrix Center for the Advancement of Social Equity and Inclusion, the home of the White Privilege Conference. The Knapsack Institute provides participants with a framework for teaching about the matrix of privilege and oppression.
- The Institute welcomes all educators (K-12, higher education, diversity trainers, non-profit staff, etc.).
- For more information and to apply call 719-255-4767 or www.uccs.edu/matrix.
- [Click here for the flyer...](#)

❖ **Colorado Positive Behavior and Intervention Supports (PBIS) Training Calendar**

- [Please click here for the website for upcoming training opportunities](#)

NATIONAL TRAININGS

❖ **NEW The Briefings: A National School Safety Symposium**

- **June 17-20, 2013, Columbine High School, 6201 South Pierce Street, Littleton, CO 80123**
- Sponsored by the [I Love U Guys Foundation](#), Columbine High School, Jeffco Public Schools, Jefferson County Sheriff's Office and the Colorado Attorney General's Office
- This three-day symposium examines lessons learned from recent tragic events and reveals new, preemptive school safety measures growing in multiple realms.
- Those presenting at this year's Symposium include school administrators, law enforcement, criminal justice and mental health professionals who were involved in the response and recovery to recent school violence and other emergency events. The Symposium is designed to provide a number of takeaways that districts, departments and agencies can implement immediately.
- During the presentations and panel discussions, attendees will learn how best practices for school safety are shifting, the challenges facing school administrators after a violent event, resilience, threat assessment and more. Some of the topic content has not been publicly disclosed, and will only be presented at this Symposium, making this an extremely unique opportunity for the audience.
- Audience: Law enforcement, school personnel, victim advocates, mental health professionals, emergency and risk management staff, school safety teams and all first responders.

- For more information and registration, go to <http://www.thebriefings.org>

❖ **NEW National School Climate 16th Annual Summer Institute**

- **July 9-11, 2013, Winston Preparatory School, 126 West 17th Street, New York, NY 10011**
- Sponsored by the [National School Climate Center](#)
- In partnership with Winston Preparatory Schools, this 3-day event brings together educators, district and state leaders, researchers, policy-makers and parents from across the nation to support the development of school climate improvement plans that promote safe, caring and supportive schools.
- [Click here for more information...](#)
- [Click here to register...](#)

❖ **NEW 2013 Virginia School and Campus Safety Training Forum and State D.A.R.E. Conference**

- **August 5-7, 2013, Hampton Roads Convention Center, Hampton, VA**
- Sponsored by the National Association for School Safety and Law Enforcement Officials (NASSLEO), the Virginia Department of State Police and the Virginia D.A.R.E. Association, the Virginia Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control, Virginia Department of Education, Virginia Office of the Attorney General and Virginia Department of Health
- Breakout sessions include Alcohol Enforcement, All Hazards Emergency Planning, Bullying Behaviors, Community Violence Data and Statistics In Virginia, Crimes Against Children/Child Abuse Recognition and Reporting, Enhancing Emergency Preparedness Through Tabletops, Games Kids Play (Choking, Cutting and Burning), Gangs and Human Trafficking, Making of a Sociopath, Mental Health 101, Prescription Medications in The Wrong Hands, Teen Dating Violence Prevention
- [Click here for more information...](#)

CURRENT GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

❖ **Promising Practices in Character Education**

- **Applications due March 17, 2013**
- Sponsored by the [Character Education Partnership](#)
- Promising Practices in Character Education are successful, unique ways of reinforcing character traits in PreK-12 students. Most practices are simple in scope and do not have extensive costs associated with them. They enable students to experience positive character firsthand, as well as enrich their lives and the lives of others.
- All schools, districts, and youth-serving organizations are eligible to apply.
- [Click here for more information...](#)

❖ **Helen M. McLoraine Scholarship for Foster Care & Emancipating Youth**

- **Applications due March 18, 2013**
- The Helen M. McLoraine Scholarship Program for Foster Care & Emancipating Youth was created to provide educational scholarships for foster care youth who are emancipated or are in the process of preparing to emancipate from the foster care system in Colorado. Awards can be used toward part-time or full-time undergraduate study at any accredited U.S. post-secondary school (including trade, vocational, community college or four-year school). Award amounts will vary based on the individual student's academic plan, cost of attendance, and financial need of the applicant.
- [Click here for instructions and the application...](#)

❖ **NEW Grants to Reduce Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence and Stalking on Campus Program**

- **Applications are due on March 28, 2013**
- Funded by the [Office of Violence Against Women \(OVW\)](#)
- The Campus Program provides seed funding to support activities that develop and strengthen victim services in cases involving sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking on campuses. The Campus Program also aims to strengthen security and investigative strategies to prevent and prosecute these crimes on campuses.
- Public and state-controlled institutions of higher education and private institutions of higher education are eligible to apply.
- [Click here for more information...](#)

❖ **Expelled and At-Risk Student Services (EARSS) Grant Program**

- **Applications are due April 2, 2013**
- The EARSS program assists in providing educational and supportive services to expelled students and students at-risk for expulsion through a comprehensive range of strategies that are proven effective to help these populations of students.
- Grant awards are anticipated to be \$1,000-\$3,000 **per student served**, depending on the intensity and length of services.
- [Click here for additional information...](#)

❖ **NEW Farm to School**

- **Applications are due on April 24, 2013, at midnight (EST)**
- Sponsored by the US Department of Agriculture (USDA)
- These grants help eligible schools improve the health and wellbeing of their students and connect with local agricultural producers.
- Grantees include schools and districts (large and small, rural and urban), Indian tribal organizations, producers and producer groups, non-profit entities, and state and local agencies.
- [Click here for more information...](#)
- [Click here for grant applications...](#)

❖ **NEW The RGK Foundation is inviting proposals in the broad areas of education, community and health and medicine**

- **Application deadline is rolling**
- The foundation's primary interests include formal K-12 education (particularly math, science and reading), teacher development, literacy and higher education. The foundation's community grants support a broad range of human services, community improvement, abuse prevention and youth development programs.
- Grants are made only to nonprofit organizations certified as tax exempt and are classified as "not a private foundation". Hospitals, educational institutions and governmental institutions meeting these requirements are eligible to apply.
- [Click here for the link to complete RFP...](#)

RESOURCES

Research and Statistics Resources

❖ **Monitoring the Future Study**

- [Monitoring the Future](#) is an ongoing study of the behaviors, attitudes, and values of American secondary school students, college students, and young adults.
- [Click here for more information on the 2012 study...](#)

Prevention Resources

❖ **NEW Food Allergy Book: What School Employees Need to Know**

- Published in 2012 by the National Education Association Health Information Network (NEA NIH)
- This booklet is designed to educate all school employees about food allergies and how they can help to prevent and respond to food allergic reactions in schools. The booklet is free, offered in English and Spanish, and is available in print and online. This booklet will give you information on what to do when a student is having a severe, life-threatening allergic reaction and will explain how you can help prevent reactions in your school.
- [Click here to access the booklet...](#)
- [Click here to access the booklet in Spanish...](#)

❖ **NEW StopBullying.gov Launches Spanish Website**

- This official website of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services contains valuable resources about bullying awareness, prevention and intervention for kids and adults.
- [Click here to access the Spanish Website](#)

❖ **NEW U.S. Launches Study into Youth Sports Concussion**

- The Institute of Medicine, part of the National Academies of Science, will probe sports-related concussions in young people from elementary school through early adulthood. The study will include military personnel and their dependents and review concussions and risk factors.
- [Click here for more information on the study...](#)
- [Click here for more information on concussions and traumatic brain injury...](#)

❖ **Brain Injury in Children and Youth: A Manual for Educators**

- Created in 2001 and updated in 2013, this manual was written as a joint effort between the Colorado Department of Education, The New Start Project within the Center for Community Participation at Colorado State University in Fort Collins, Colorado, and the Children's Hospital Colorado.
- Since 2001, research and practice has changed the area of brain injury significantly; therefore, it was felt that this Brain Injury manual required updating. The TBI Networking Team (TNT) Steering Committee took on the task of reviewing, re-writing and updating information.
- [Click here for more information...](#)

❖ **Medicine Abuse Project**

- Sponsored by [Drugfree.org](#)
- The Medicine Abuse Project is a campaign to curb teen medicine abuse and ultimately save lives.
- [Click here for more information...](#)

❖ **SpeakNow!**

- Sponsored by the Colorado Department of Human Services, Office of Behavioral Health
- SpeakNow! Is a bilingual campaign focused on providing parents and community influencers with the tools and information they need to have frequent conversations with Colorado youth on the dangers of teen drinking.
- <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/speaknowsurvey>

❖ **Youth Sexual Health in Colorado: A Call to Action**

- Published by the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment in 2012 as part of the [Colorado 9to25](#) youth health initiative.
- Click here for the [CO9to25 Youth Sexual Health](#) web page...

Response Resources

❖ Disaster Response Template Toolkit

- The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration's Disaster Behavioral Health Information Series (DBHIS) has released a new Disaster Response Template Toolkit featuring public education materials that disaster behavioral health response programs can use to create resources for reaching people affected by a disaster.
- Click here to download and learn more about DBHIS [templates](#) and [resources](#).

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