

# April 6, 2011

**E-UPDATE FROM CSSRC** ~ You are receiving this email as a subscriber of the Center's listserv. E-Updates from the CSSRC will contain the most current information about the Center's activities and resources, as well as the school safety efforts throughout the state of Colorado and relevant national resources.

Please forward this email to others on your email list with an interest in supporting safe and positive schools in Colorado. They may register for this listserv on our website http://safeschools.state.co.us/index.html

- NEW School Emergency Operations Plan Exercise Toolkit, CSSRC (Colorado Department of Public Safety), Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Colorado Division of Emergency Management (Department of Local Affairs)
  - ✓ The School Emergency Operations Plan Exercise Toolkit has been developed in a cooperative effort by a subcommittee of the Emergency Planning & Response Working Group established by the Colorado School Safety Resource Center (CSSRC) to provide schools and school districts the ability to heighten the awareness of the importance of emergency preparedness for any type of disaster or emergency you may experience.
  - ✓ This toolkit was sent by email to the designated safety contacts for all school districts on March 31, 2011. The toolkit should be used to test your own school or school district's Emergency Operations Plan as it is written. It is suggested that when starting an exercise program, you start with internal staff to test plans and procedures before conducting larger and more complex exercises with outside agencies.
  - To download the toolkit please use the following link http://safeschools.state.co.us/Preparedness%20Resources.htm#k8
  - ✓ For more information, technical assistance or training questions, please contact the CSSRC, 303-239-4435.

# Sour Feedback is Needed- Bullying Prevention Statewide Needs Assessment

- ✓ The Colorado School Safety Resource Center Bullying Prevention Working Group and the Colorado Legacy Foundation are conducting a statewide needs assessment to identify statewide and regional needs for training and resources to support effective bullying prevention. The short 13 question survey takes less than 10 minutes to complete and will be used to inform the development of a statewide strategic plan for addressing bullying prevention.
- ✓ The survey is available at <u>www.surveymonkey.com/s/Statewide\_Needs\_Assessment\_Bullying\_Prevention</u> and we are asking schools to complete the survey by April 11, 2011.
- ✓ Please contact Carol Mehesy at <u>cmehesy@colegacy.org</u> if you have any questions. Thank you!

# CSSRC TRAININGS

## Registration now open for Threat Assessment Training and Bullying/Harassment Overview, presented by CSSRC with support from San Juan BOCES

- ✓ Date and Time: April 18, 2011, 9:00 am- 3:00 pm, no cost, lunch on your own
- ✓ Location: 201 East 12th Street, Board Room, Durango, CO 81301

- ✓ Who should attend: attend with your entire threat assessment team: administrator, school mental health professional and law enforcement personnel so that you can discuss policies and procedures together. Community partners are also encouraged to attend.
- ✓ Please see the training flyer attached.
- Registration now open for Colorado Safe Schools Regional Training: Resource Expo, Vail, May 5-6, 2011, hosted by Center for the Study and Prevention of Violence and CSSRC (no cost).
  - ✓ Please join us in Vail to learn more about evidence based practices and programs and resources available to your school. Feature presentations from Clay Yeager, Evidence-based Associates and Randy Borum, University of South Florida.
  - ✓ Training flyer is located at <u>http://safeschools.state.co.us/docs/5-11%20savethedate.pdf</u>
  - ✓ Register at <u>http://ibs.colorado.edu/cspv/regional\_training/</u>
  - ✓ For more information please go to <u>http://www.colorado.edu/cspv/safeschools/training/training4.html</u>

# **OTHER COLORADO AND NATIONAL TRAININGS**

## Safe Routes to School National Courses available in Denver (no cost)

- ✓ April 19 Valley View Elementary School
- ✓ April 21 Adams City Middle School
- ✓ April 21 -- Welby Montessori School
- ✓ This fast-paced, interactive workshop that will teach you how to incorporate a Safe Routes to School program in your community!
- ✓ Who should attend: community leaders, school officials, health and transportation professionals, law enforcement officers, parents, neighbors and others interested in helping children walk and bicycle to school.
- ✓ This FREE course provides participants with the knowledge and skills to develop sound Safe Routes to School programs based on community needs and conditions, best practices and responsible use of resources. The day concludes with participants developing an action plan for their own community.
- ✓ Please see course flyer at <u>http://www.coloradodot.info/programs/bikeped/safe-</u> routes/training/Safe\_Routes\_to\_School\_National\_Courses.pdf/view\_for additional information
- ✓ Contact Marissa Robinson, MPA at (303) 757-9088 or <u>srts@dot.state.co.us</u> to register.

## School Climate Webinar Series: Addressing Risk Behavior through Positive Youth Development Strategies

- April 13, 2:00 pm 3:30 pm MST
  April 14, 9:00 10:30 am MST
- ✓ This session will highlight features of strength-based strategies to enhance the positive development of students at various developmental stages. Evidence will be shared of how these strategies both enhance thriving behaviors in students
- ✓ For more information and to register go to <u>http://safesupportiveschools.ed.gov/index.php?id=9&eid=22</u>

## Survey Webinar Series: Survey Administration

- April 27, 2:00 pm 3:30 pm MST
  April 28, 9:00 10:30 am MST
- ✓ This session will focus on the administration of school climate surveys. It will include an overview of best practices in collecting data from various respondent groups; response rate issues specific to various groups of respondents; mode (pencil-and-paper, telephone, online administration); and cultural and linguistic competence issues in collecting data.

✓ For more information and to register go to <u>http://safesupportiveschools.ed.gov/index.php?id=9&eid=10</u>

## **Crisis Intervention Teams Training (CIT) for Schools & SRO's**

- ✓ May 23-25, 2011
- ✓ Highlands Ranch Law Enforcement Training Facility, CSOC 9008 US 85 (Santa Fe Drive)
- ✓ Cost: There is no registration fee associated with this training, and participants can receive this curriculum Toolkit at no-cost, which includes all slides, films, lesson plans and participant guides.
- ✓ Please see the training flyer attached.
- ✓ Register on-line at <u>http://dcj.state.co.us/crcpi/</u> or call 303-239-4405 for more information

# Registration available for U.S. Department of Ed's OSDFS National Conference August 8-10, 2011

- ✓ Office of Safe and Drug-Free Schools (OSDFS) will be hosting its National Conference August 8-10, 2011 at the Gaylord National Resort in suburban Washington, D.C.
- ✓ The theme of this year's conference is "Making the Connection: Creating and Maintaining Conditions for Learning", which will address issues related to: alcohol, drug and violence prevention; health, mental health, and physical education; special populations; emerging issues; and other areas concerning drug and violence prevention.
- ✓ The National Conference will be a large-scale training and technical assistance event that will include: OSDFS grantees; education and prevention leaders; representatives of Federal agencies and national associations; public and private school administrators; school personnel; researchers and experts; as well as others in the field.
- ✓ To register go to <u>https://dgimeetings.cvent.com/events/osdfs-2011-national-conference-making-the-connection/registration-e9ad0a9fc77046959f87fe255324ce3a.aspx</u>

# **CURRENT GRANT OPPORTUNITIES**

## **FY2011 Community Policing Development (CPD) Program Accepting Applications**

- ✓ The COPS Office is now accepting applications for the FY2011 Community Policing Development (CPD) Program.
- ✓ All applications must be submitted online by Thursday, April 21, 2011, 3:00 PM MST. For more information, go to <u>http://www.cops.usdoj.gov/Default.asp?Item=2450</u>.
- The CPD Program is open to all public governmental agencies, profit and non-profit institutions, universities, community groups and faith based organizations. Proposals should be of national relevance, significantly advance the field of community policing, and demonstrate an understanding of community policing as it pertains to the application topic. Initiatives that primarily or solely benefit one or a limited number of law enforcement agencies or other entities will not be considered for funding.

## School Improvement - Prevention Integration RFP Now Available

- ✓ The new School Improvement Prevention Integration Grant Request For Proposal is now available. This RFP is designed to encourage and promote activities that create and maintain a safe and civil learning environment as an effective improvement strategy within a school's or district's unified planning efforts. A total of \$1 million is available for distribution to local education agencies.
- ✓ Schools that can apply: School should be a Title I school that are on the School Improvement Plan.
- ✓ For more information and to access the RFP with included list of qualifying schools, please go to <u>http://www.cde.state.co.us/FedPrograms/ti/a.asp</u>

- ✓ Proposals are due Wednesday, April 27. An application training webinar will be held on Wednesday, April 13, from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. To register for this technical assistance opportunity, please e-mail Nicole Dake at <u>dake n@cde.state.co.us</u>.
- ✓ For more information contact Joyce Washington (CDE) at <u>washington j@cde.state.co.us</u> or 303-866- 6708

### Expelled and At-Risk Student Services (EARSS) RFP Now Available

- ✓ The Expelled and At-Risk Student Services (EARSS) Grant Program Request for Proposal (RFP) is now available. The EARSS program assists in providing educational and supportive services to expelled students and students at-risk for expulsion. Funded programs will focus on providing educational services to expelled students and preventing future suspensions and expulsions through a comprehensive range of strategies that are proven to be effective.
- ✓ This RFP is being released for a new 4-year grant cycle. Awards are contingent upon funding appropriated to the EARSS program in the FY12 state budget. It is anticipated that grant awards will be based on \$1,000 to \$4,000 per student served, depending on the intensity and length of services.
- ✓ Applications are due on Wednesday, May 18. For more information on the application webinar and to access the RFP, please visit the Web site below.
- ✓ An application training webinar will be held on Monday, April 11, from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.
- ✓ For application materials and resources: <u>http://www.cde.state.co.us/cdeprevention/pi\_expelled\_grant.htm</u>
- ✓ For more information contact Janelle Krueger (CDE) at <u>krueger j@cde.state.co.us</u> or 303-866-6750.

# "Putting Policy into Practice for Healthy Colorado School Districts" Grants - Colorado Legacy Foundation

- ✓ Grant Submissions must be received by April 15th, 2011 at 5:00 p.m.
- ✓ For additional information please go to <u>http://www.colegacy.org/</u>

# **RESOURCES**

### Colorado Safe Schools Newsletter

✓ March/April edition focuses on substance abuse prevention and is available at <u>http://safeschools.state.co.us/newsletter.html#b1</u>

### Prevention Resources

### **Information Sharing**

✓ Colorado Statewide Information Sharing Initiative Newsletter, April 2011

To see the newsletter go to http://www.juvenileis.org/ccyis april2011.html

### **Bullying and Harassment Prevention**

- ✓ The White House Conference on Bullying Prevention tool place on March 10, 2011. The following website <u>http://www.stopbullying.gov/references/white\_house\_conference/index.html</u> contains resources that provide information on how all communities can work together to prevent bullying. The materials discuss the risk factors for bullying, effective bullying and violence prevention programs, reduction of bullying against LGBT youth, and cyberbullying.
- ✓ Watch video from the March 10, 2011, White House conference on bullying prevention at <u>http://www.whitehouse.gov/photos-and-video/video/2011/03/10/president-obama-first-lady-conference-bullying-prevention/</u>
- CSSRC IS AVAILABLE to any Pre-K through higher education schools to assist in your school safety planning. Our mission is to provide free consultation, resources, training and technical assistance that can help you create a safe, positive, and successful school. We can customize a variety of trainings for your school safety and crisis planning teams or

your school staff as you continue to plan this school year. We invite you to continue monitoring our website (<u>www.safeschools.state.co.us</u>) for the latest school safety information and upcoming trainings. Call us at: 303-239-4435.



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Thank you for supporting safe and positive schools in Colorado!