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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 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>

Welcome back to the 2011-2012 school year! Attached are some upcoming school safety training opportunities and some new resources that many be of assistance to you as you plan and train this year. Please contact us if you need more information!

 **COLORADO SAFE SCHOOLS WEEK, OCTOBER 16-22, 2011 – Promote YOUR school safety efforts!!**

- Governor Hickenlooper has proclaimed the week of October 16-22, 2011 Colorado Safe Schools Week.
- About Safe Schools Week
<http://www.safeschools.state.co.us/docs/ABOUT%20Colorado%20Safe%20Schools%20Week%202011.pdf>
- Read the Proclamation and find more information on our website
<http://www.safeschools.state.co.us/>

 **NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH – SEPTEMBER – Is YOUR school prepared?**

- National Preparedness Month (NPM) is an annual campaign to encourage Americans to take steps to prepare for emergencies in their homes, schools, organizations, businesses, and communities. NPM is lead by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and is sponsored by the *Ready* Campaign in partnership with the Citizen Corps.
- READY Colorado is a public awareness campaign supported by public and private partners who want to help all Coloradans protect life during disasters and emergencies.
- Visit <http://www.readycolorado.com/>
- For school preparedness resources:
<http://www.safeschools.state.co.us/Preparedness%20Resources.htm#e42>

 **COLORADO SCHOOL SAFETY CENTER TRAININGS**

❖ **Fall Colorado Safe Schools Regional Training – Ft. Collins, October 19-20, 2011 – co-hosted by CO School Safety Resource Center and Center for the Study and Prevention of Violence, CU-Boulder.**

- **When:** Wednesday October 19, 2011 12:30 – 3:30 pm; Thursday, October 20, 2011, 8 am- 4 pm. The training will take place during the **Colorado Safe Schools Week, October 16-22, 2011.**
- **Who should attend:** School safety team members, school administrators, faculty, counselors and mental health staff, SRO/law enforcement, and other community partners in school safety.
- **Where:** Fort Collins Marriott, 350 E. Horsetooth Rd, Fort Collins, CO 80525
- **Registration is now open for school teams!**
- See <http://safeschools.state.co.us/training.html> for more information about training offerings and registration.

❖ **Bullying Prevention Institute, Montrose, CO - Sponsored by The Colorado Department of Education, The Colorado Legacy Foundation, and The Colorado School Safety Resource Center**

- **When:** September 21, 2011, 8:30am-3:30pm
- **Where:** Holiday Inn Montrose, 1391 South Townsend Ave., **Montrose, CO 81401**
- **Who should attend:** Designed for school administrators, PBIS teams, school safety teams, school mental health professionals
- **What:** Overview of the new Colorado bullying prevention legislation, best practices in prevention and intervention, preventing bias based bullying, assessing school climate, cyberbullying and more...
- No charge for Colorado participants, lunch provided. Space is limited and registration is required.
- **Registration now open for Montrose!**
- See <http://www.safeschools.state.co.us/docs/Bully%20Prevention%20Institute%20side%208.1.11.pdf>
- Other dates and locations:
 - **October 19-20, 2011 – Fort Collins,** CO Safe Schools Regional Training (various sessions), Ft. Collins Marriott
 - **December 8, 2011 – Pueblo,** CSU Pueblo
 - **January 25, 2012 – Denver Metro,** Aurora Schools Professional Learning & Conference Center



OTHER COLORADO TRAININGS

❖ **Annual Symposium – Foundation for Prevention of School Violence**

- **When:** October 18, 2011
- **Where:** Regis University, 3333 Regis Boulevard, Denver, CO 80221
- **For more information and registration link:**
<http://www.preventingschoolviolence.org/FPSV/Events.html>

❖ **The National Conference on School Success: Best Practices in Attendance, Attachment & Achievement**

- **Sponsored By:** The National Center for School Engagement

- **When: October 26-28, 2011**
- **Who should attend:** School, community organizations and juvenile justice groups who are interested in youth attendance and engagement with schools
- **What:** This first national conference brings together experts and cutting edge information about how to engage high risk students, families and communities in schools with specific outcomes of improving attendance, attachment, achievement and connectedness to school, and high school completion.
- **Where:** Broomfield, CO, OMNI Interlocken Resort Hotel
- **For information and registration:** [LINK](#)

RESOURCES

❖ New Colorado Legislation Related to School Safety

- ✓ During the 2011 Colorado legislative session, a number of bills passed into law that relate to school safety. See texts of new legislation
<http://www.safeschools.state.co.us/legislation.html>
 - School Bullying Prevention: At a Glance Notes on Colorado HB11-1254 [LINK](#)
 - School Safety, Readiness and Incident Management Plan Outline with amendments – Colorado SB08-181, SB11-173 (July, 2011)
<http://www.safeschools.state.co.us/docs/CSSRC%20NIMS%20%20components%20revised%208.2.11.doc>

❖ Prevention Resources

- ✓ **Colorado Bullying and Harassment Prevention and Education: School Resource Guide (June 2011)** [LINK](#)
 - This new resource guide compiled by the CSSRC provides Colorado schools with statewide resources and other information to assist with Bullying and Harassment prevention and education.

❖ Preparedness and Planning Resources

- ✓ **Addressing Emergencies on Campus (June, 2011) from the US Department of Education**
 - Provides additional guidance on safety policies and information sharing under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and the Higher Education Act of 1965 (HEA) as amended
 - <http://www.safeschools.state.co.us/docs/emergency-guidance%20Ferpa.Hea%20June%202011.pdf>
- ✓ **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 Colorado School Safety Resource Center (CSSRC), the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and the Division of Emergency Management to provide schools and school districts the ability to improve preparedness for any type of disaster or emergency.

- This toolkit was sent by email to the designated safety contacts for all school districts on March 31, 2011 and a copy of the Toolkit notebook was sent to all districts April 22, 2011. The toolkit can assist you in testing your own school or school district's School Safety, Readiness and Incident Management Plan with a variety of all-hazards tabletop exercise scenarios as outlined in C.R.S. 22-32-109.1. Your community Emergency Manager is also available to assist you.
 - ✓ To download the toolkit [click here](#)
 - ✓ For the guidance on [Response: Emergency Actions for K-12 Schools](#) (March 30, 2011) http://safeschools.state.co.us/docs/Tab%2011_Response%20Emergency%20Actions%20for%20K-12%20Schools%203%2030%2011.pdf
 - ✓ For more information, consultation, technical assistance, or training questions, please contact the CSSRC, 303-239-4435.

❖ Recovery Resources

- ✓ **After a Suicide: A Toolkit for Schools (2011)**
 - The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration's Suicide Prevention Research Center has released, "After a Suicide: A Toolkit for Schools." The toolkit describes common warning signs and causes of suicide, provides best practices on suicide prevention in schools, and provides information about how a school should respond when a suicide has occurred. Topics include crisis response, helping students cope, working with the community, social media, bringing in outside help, and more.
 - ✓ Download the toolkit at <http://www.sprc.org/library/AfteraSuicideToolkitforSchools.pdf>

THE CSSRC IS AVAILABLE to any Pre-K through higher education school to assist in your school safety planning. Our mission is to provide **no cost 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 plan and train this school year. We invite you to continue monitoring our website (www.safeschools.state.co.us) for the latest school safety information and upcoming trainings. Call us at: 303-239-4435.



Thank you for supporting safe and positive schools in Colorado!

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