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**E-UPDATE FROM CSSRC** ~ You are receiving this email as a subscriber of the Center's listserv. E-Updates from 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.

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 A SAFE AND POSITIVE NEW 2010-2011 SCHOOL YEAR!**

 **SCHOOL SAFETY NEWS: OCTOBER 17-23, 2010 designated as SAFE SCHOOLS WEEK IN COLORADO!** On August 2, 2010, governor Bill Ritter signed a Proclamation announcing the week of October 17-23, 2010 as Safe Schools Week. Watch our website [www.safeschools.state.co.us](http://www.safeschools.state.co.us) for more information and suggestions about how your school and community can use the week to highlight your own efforts and accomplishments for school safety.

### **NEW FALL TRAININGS**

#### **❖ Colorado Safe Schools Regional Training - Pueblo, October 20-21, 2010.**

**Attention Southern Colorado School Superintendents, Principals and Safety Teams: Early registration is available for Colorado Safe Schools Regional Training - Pueblo, October 20-21, 2010.**

- ✓ The Colorado School Safety Resource Center (CDPS) and the Center for the Study and Prevention of Violence (CU-Boulder) will host the next Colorado Safe Schools Regional Training for school safety teams in Pueblo, CO on **Wednesday-Thursday, October 20-21, 2010.**
- ✓ This training is offered at no cost to Colorado participants and includes informative sessions from the U.S. Department of Education, the Cyberbullying Research Center, and many more. The information flyer is attached to this message and also available at <http://safeschools.state.co.us/training.html>.
- ✓ Early registration for school teams and partner agencies in **southern Colorado** is available. Please call 303-239-4435 for details.  
**Register online at [www.co.train.org](http://www.co.train.org) Course ID: 1021638.**
- ✓ For other Colorado schools: School safety team registration opens **August 16, 2010**; individual registration opens **September 7, 2010.**

Please see [www.safeschools.state.co.us](http://www.safeschools.state.co.us) for more information or contact Colorado School Safety Resource Center at 303-239-4435.

#### **❖ Save the Date: Youth Suicide Prevention and Intervention Symposium, October 1, 2010, 8:00 am-4:00 pm.**

- ✓ The Colorado Department of Education, Colorado School Safety Resource Center (CDPS) and Office of Suicide Prevention (CDPHE) with the support from the Douglas County Sheriff's Office will co-sponsor the **Youth Suicide Prevention and Intervention Symposium** on **Friday, October 1, 2010**, in **Highlands Ranch, CO**. This full day symposium features speakers and group discussion on the topics of Conducting Risk Assessment in Schools, Youth Suicide Postvention Issues and Best Practices, and School Based Suicide Prevention.
- ✓ **Suicide Symposium Agenda:** The symposium will begin with a 90 minute overview of school-based suicide **prevention, assessment and postvention** best practices for administrators and school/community mental health professionals (8:00 am- 9:30 am). The remainder of the day, designed specifically for the suicide intervention teams from your schools, will include individual sessions on each of these three topics with panel presentations by school professionals who will share their expertise. There will be an opportunity for questions and small group discussion throughout the day (9:30 am-4:00 pm).
- ✓ Register online at [www.co.train.org](http://www.co.train.org) Course ID: 1023530, **Registration opens August 12, 2010**
- ✓ Please see our website <http://safeschools.state.co.us/training.html#d2> for more information. Program specifics will be available soon.

For more details about current trainings please go to <http://safeschools.state.co.us/training.html>



### ATTENTION: SAFETY ALERT ON STADIUM LIGHT POLES

The National School Safety Coalition is working to inform schools regarding the recent recall of approximately 2500 Whitco Company LP stadium light poles 70 feet tall or higher. The poles can fracture or crack and fall over, posing a risk of serious injury or death to patrons and bystanders from being hit or crushed. Go to <http://safeschools.state.co.us/docs/Light%20Poles%20Recall%20Safety%20Message.pdf> to read more.



**NEW RESOURCES POSTED ON OUR WEBSITE-** As a continued effort to provide schools and communities with links to current research and helpful materials we have highlighted some of our most recent postings below:

#### ❖ **Prevention Resources**

#### ❖ **FERPA Information Sharing Resources and New Information**

- ✓ NEW: FERPA and Disclosures Related to Emergencies and Disasters, issued June 2010  
<http://safeschools.state.co.us/docs/FERPA-disaster-guidance%20June%202010.pdf>

#### **Other FERPA Information Sharing Resources-**

<http://safeschools.state.co.us/Prevention%20Mitigation%20Resources.htm#g1>

- ✓ Safe Schools and FERPA from the U.S. Department of Education
- ✓ Guidance on FERPA from the U.S. Department of Education

#### ❖ **Bullying Prevention Resources-** <http://safeschools.state.co.us/Resources2.html#r1>

- ✓ Bullying at School and Online: Quick facts for parents (2009) - by the American Association of School Administrators
- ✓ Bullying Research Network (University of Nebraska, Lincoln) - Uniting researchers in bullying prevention and Intervention.
- ✓ How Parents, Teachers, and Kids Can Take Action to Prevent Bullying - Website with supportive advice offered by the American Psychological Association (APA).

## ❖ Prevention and Recovery Resources

- ✓ [National Education Association](http://safeschools.state.co.us/Resources2.html#n3) - Health Information Network - easy-to-use crisis guide with essential, to-the-point advice for schools and districts.  
<http://safeschools.state.co.us/Resources2.html#n3>

For more additional prevention/mitigation, Preparedness, Response and Recovery Resources please go to <http://safeschools.state.co.us/Resources2.html>

## 🌐 GRANT INFORMATION

### ❖ Colorado Safe Routes to School

- ✓ Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) is now accepting applications for Colorado's 2011 Safe Routes to School funding. Successful SRTS programs involve the whole community and encompass evaluation, encouragement, education, enforcement, and engineering. Eligible applicants include any political subdivision of the state (school district, city, county, state entity, tribal entity). Nonprofits may also apply by partnering with a state subdivision. The state subdivision must agree to be the contracting authority.
- ✓ Colorado's 2011 Infrastructure and Non-Infrastructure Applications are available online at <http://www.coloradodot.info/programs/bikeped/safe-routes>.
- ✓ The application **deadline** for receiving an application at CDOT is 4 p.m. on Friday, **December 3, 2010**.
- ✓ In addition, CDOT will host numerous Colorado Safe Routes to School application training sessions across the state in order to provide communities with assistance in completing the application. **Application Session (Grand Junction, CO August 11, 2010, 10 a.m. to noon)**: Mesa County Offices, 525 South 6<sup>th</sup> Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Grand Junction CO 81502, RSVP to [srts@dot.state.co.us](mailto:srts@dot.state.co.us) or 303-757-9088.

For more information about grant announcements please visit <http://safeschools.state.co.us/grantannouncements.html>

## 🌐 TO ASSIST YOU AS YOU PLAN THIS YEAR...

Please remember that the Colorado School Safety Resource Center 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, as you prepare for the upcoming school year. We invite you to continue monitoring our website ([www.safeschools.state.co.us](http://www.safeschools.state.co.us)) for the latest school safety information and upcoming trainings. We are available to help you plan, train or consult. Call us at: 303-239-4435.



Thank you for supporting safe and positive schools in Colorado!