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Dear Superintendent:

We are excited that another school year is upon us. In an effort to support a safe year in your district as well as with all Colorado schools, the Colorado School Safety Resource Center is available to help you create a safe, positive and successful school environment.

The School Safety Resource Center offers online training courses as well as sitespecific trainings. A variety of training topics include, but are not limited to, bullying, harassment, substance abuse, suicide prevention and threat assessments. We are also available to come directly to your school or district to provide training that suits your precise needs. We have enclosed a copy of three no-cost trainings that are open for registration this fall as well as information about our new online courses. We will also forward an electronic copy of this communication with a request that you forward it to your respective building principals.

Please visit our new website at www.Colorado.gov/SchoolSafetyResourceCenter for information on training courses as well as other resources that are available. All our services are available free of charge.

The team in the School Safety Resource Center is available to answer your questions or help you enroll in one of our online training classes. Mike Lythgoe is the Center's School Outreach Consultant. Alice Huyler is the Resource Specialist. Please contact me or Bridget O'Dell, the Center's Administrative Assistant, at 303-239-4435 and we will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,

Colorado Bureau of Investigation Division of

John W. Hickenlooper GOVERNOR

James H. Davis

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR Colorado State Patrol

Criminal Justice Division of Fire Prevention and Control

Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management

Colorado

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Enclosures (3)

Colorado School Safety Resource Center Free Online Trainings

www.safeschools.state.co.us

http://twitter.com/CoSSRC

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Crisis Planning for an Off-Campus Event

This module is designed to review best practices in responding to an off-campus crisis that impacts your school, for example a car accident involving a student.

Designed for: school safety teams, administrators, school mental health professionals, teachers

To access the course:

- Go to www.co.train.org
- Sign in or create a new account
- Search for Course ID 1026872

This course counts as one hour of professional training. A printable certificate will be available upon completing the course.



Bullying Prevention & Intervention Under Colorado Law

This module is designed as an overview of bullying and harassment in schools.

Designed for: school safety teams, administrators, school mental health professionals, teachers, PBIS teams

To access the course:

- Go to www.co.train.org
- Sign in or create a new account
- Search for Course ID 1034235

This course counts as one hour of professional training. A printable certificate will be available upon completing the course.





The CSSRC provides consultation, resources, training, and technical assistance to foster safe and secure learning environments, positive school climates, and early intervention to prevent crisis situations.

Colorado School Safety Resource Center Academic Year 2012-2013 Upcoming Trainings:

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Thursday, September 27th Youth Substance Abuse Symposium

with keynote speakers

Paula Riggs, M.D. Co-Occurring Substance Abuse and

Mental Health Disorders and Marguerite McCormack

Mental Health Issues & Trauma

In collaboration with the Colorado Department of Human Services & Colorado Department of Education

at the Adams 12 Conference Center

For more information contact CSSRC, 303-239-4435 Register at www.co.train.org, Course ID: 1031923 Colorado Safe Schools Week

Thursday, October 25th

Bullying Prevention Institute

with keynote speaker

Dorothy Espelage, Ph.D. Getting Smart about School Based

Bullying Prevention

In collaboration with the Colorado Legacy Foundation & Colorado Department of Education

at the Silverthorne Pavilion

For more information contact CSSRC, 303-239-4435 Register at www.co.train.org, Course ID: 1033731

Save the Date: Thursday, November 29th

Youth Suicide Prevention & Intervention Symposium

with keynote speaker

Mary Margaret Kerr, Ed.D.

In collaboration with the Office of Suicide Prevention (CDPHE) & Colorado Department of Education

at the Aurora Public Schools Professional Learning and Conference Center

For more information contact: Colorado School Safety Resource Center, 303-239-4435 Registration for this training not yet open.



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Contact Colorado School Safety Resource Center Today for Assistance

Our staff is available by phone for support or resources on a variety of topics to meet your school safety needs.



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Please visit our website: www.safeschools.state.co.us

Other School Support Services from the Department of Public Safety

The Division of Fire Safety (DFS) 303-239-4600 www.dfs.state.co.us

Office of Preparedness and Security 1-877-509-CIAC <u>ciac@ciac.co.gov</u>

Colorado School Safety Resource Center

Colorado Department of Public Safety

Supporting Safe and Positive Schools for Colorado







Colorado School Safety Resource Center

Established through legislation in 2008 (CRS 24-33.5-1801, et seq.)

The mission of the Colorado School Safety Resource Center is to collaboratively assist educators, emergency responders, community organizations, school mental health professionals, parents, and students to create safe, positive and successful school environments for all Colorado students in pre K-12 and higher education schools.

The CSSRC provides resources and training using the U.S. Department of Education's four phase model of crisis planning for schools: prevention/mitigation; response; preparedness and recovery.

Cycle of Crisis Planning*



*The Office of Safe and Drug-Free Schools U.S. Department of Education (January 2007)

The Center provides <u>no cost</u> consultation, resources, training and technical assistance to foster safe and secure learning environments, positive school climates and early intervention to prevent crisis situations for all Colorado schools.



Our website and knowledgeable staff provide the most current resources and training information for school personnel; emergency responders; community partners; and parents and students on all topics related to school safety.

www.safeschools.state.co.us

TRAINING

RESOURCES



Colorado Safe Schools Regional Trainings conducted in collaboration with the Center for the Study and Prevention of Violence (CU, Boulder) provide current and updated information on school safety and crisis planning for school administrators, school staff, first responders, other community members who serve youth or schools.

Topic Centered: Youth Suicide Prevention and Intervention Symposium conducted in collaboration with Colorado Department of Education and Office of Suicide Prevention (CDPHE).

Customized School Safety Trainings by Request: Bullying, Cyberbullying and Harassment Prevention; Conducting Table Top Drills; School Crisis Preparedness and Response; Self-Injury; Supporting Grieving and Traumatized Children; Threat Assessment; Violence Prevention; Youth Suicide Prevention, Intervention and Postvention and others.

CSSRC can offer your school or district customized training to meet your training needs.

Please contact CSSRC for additional information or assistance by phone at 303-239-4435 or email at schoolsafetycenter@cdps.state.co.us



CSSRC offers all schools and district no cost consultation to meet their needs.

Sample of consultations provided to schools include but not limited to:

- 1. School Safety Planning for Administrators and Safety Planning Teams
- 2. Crisis Response Planning
- 3. Strategies to Address Bullying and Harassment
- 4. SB08-181 (NIMS Compliance)
- 5. Conducting Tabletop Exercises and others.
- 6. Resource inquiries

The Center works collaboratively with other state and

federal agencies in its efforts.

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE



Technical assistance included providing tips, tools and templates developed by both the Center and specialized CSSRC work groups: Information Sharing, Threat Assessment and Emergency

Response. Some documents are listed on <u>www.safeschools.state.co.us</u>. For additional information and tools, please contact CSSRC.



CONSULTATION