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THE DIRECTOR'S CORNER

Happy New Year!

I hope you all enjoyed a wonderful holiday with your family and friends and feel rejuvenated for the new calendar year.

Here at the Center we are excited to be celebrating the **10th Anniversary** of the **School Safety Resource Center** in 2018. Although the Columbine Commission's report in May of 2001 outlined a number of recommendations to safeguard Colorado schools, the School Safety Resource Center was not proposed until 2008 under SB08-001. The Center was created by the collaborative work of many agencies and individuals across the state. These agencies included the Offices of the Governor and the Attorney General, the Colorado Departments of Education and Public Safety and the Center for the Study and Prevention of Violence at CU, Boulder. Linda Kanan, Ph.D. was selected as the first director of the Center and under her guidance it was established with the highest standards of practice.

The mission of the Center was outlined to collaboratively assist educators, students, parents, emergency responders, and community organizations to create safe and positive school environments for all Colorado students in preK-12 and higher education schools. With an initial Advisory Board of thirteen members as outlined in statute, Dr. Kanan operated the Center without additional staff for the first five months as there was a hiring freeze at the time. In April 2009 she was able to hire a school outreach consultant and an administrative assistant and shortly thereafter a resource specialist.

Now the Center operates with a staff of six and an Advisory Board of nineteen. Additional legislation in both 2013 and 2015 added the emergency response outreach consultant and child sexual abuse prevention specialist positions. I am proud to have started as the first school outreach consultant and have served as the director since January 2012. Brad Stiles, our emergency response outreach consultant, has been with the Center since November 2013. Anthony Wyatt has been our resource specialist since April 2015. Margaret Ochoa has served as our child sexual abuse prevention specialist since April 2016. Melissa Weiss joined as our program assistant in February 2017. Our newest staff member is Dustin Hunter, our school outreach consultant, who has been with us since August 2017. It has proven to be a small but mighty team and I appreciate the hard work of each of them!

The final data for 2017 Center's accomplishments are being collected and charted for the Legislative Report that will be completed shortly, submitted to the Colorado General Assembly and linked on the CSSRC website. This will provide information on all that has been accomplished by the Center's staff since opening in 2008.

We have appreciated the ongoing collaboration of the many individuals and agencies over these last 10 years that have enabled us to provide services to so many schools across the state. We look forward to the next 10 years and all that can be accomplished with your continued support.

Thank you!

Kindest Regards,
Chris Harms



COLORADO SCHOOL SAFETY RESOURCE CENTER TRAINING

Youth Suicide Prevention & Intervention Symposium - Registration is OPEN!

National Suicide Expert - Thomas Joiner Ph.D. will be the opening plenary speaker

Dr. Joiner is the Robert O. Lawton Distinguished Professor of Psychology at Florida State University and the author of a number of books on suicide including, *Why People Die by Suicide* and *Suicide Myths*.

- Other local experts will present on Suicide Interventions in Schools, Suicide in Colorado, Crisis Response after a Suicide and working with special populations with depression and suicide vulnerabilities among other topics. Agenda to be posted to the website shortly.
- In light of the need for more suicide training, the Center is collaborating with the **Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment's (CDPHE) Office of Suicide Prevention** and the **Colorado Department of Education** to provide this one-day symposium on youth suicide. We thank our partners for this collaboration!
- Space is limited so do not hesitate to register immediately.
- **When: Wednesday, February 28, 2018** from 8:00 AM until 3:30 PM
- **Where:** Lowry Conference Center at 1061 Akron Way, Denver Colorado 80230 (Building 697)
- **Cost:** \$50 with a nominal additional processing fee when you register
- **Registration is open [here](#).**

Child Sexual Abuse Prevention & Intervention Symposium - Registration is OPEN!

- Hosted by the Colorado School Safety Resource Center, this one-day symposium will celebrate National Child Abuse Awareness Month.
- Plenary presentation will feature a case study by representatives from the FBI. Agents will inform school staff on how to support federal investigations of child exploitation and empower students to avoid victimization on social media.
- Other workshops will include what school staff need to know about human trafficking, Title IX, overcoming barriers to protecting children from sexual abuse, and best practices in communicating with kids about their bodies and response to disclosure. A complete agenda will be posted shortly.
- **When: Thursday, April 12, 2018** from 8:00 AM until 4:00 PM
- **Where:** Lowry Conference Center at 20161 Akron Way, Denver Colorado 80230 (Building 697)
- **Cost:** \$50 with a nominal additional processing fee when you [register](#).

Sexting Law

- As of January 1, 2018, there will be a new sexting law in Colorado. Please see [this webcast](#) from Child Sexual Abuse Prevention Specialist, Margaret Ochoa, J.D.
- There is also a one-page explanation of the law [here](#).

CURRENT EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADL's 2018 Student Essay Contest

- This year's contest through the [Anti-Defamation League \(ADL\)](#) is titled **[A Tribute to Moral Courage: Standing Up Against Injustice](#)**.
- **Submission deadline is February 23, 2018.**
- You can view general information about the contest [here](#).
- The contest is open to 7th-12th grade students in Colorado, New Mexico, and Wyoming.
- You can view the contest details, rules and guidelines [here](#).

Fentanyl and Synthetic Opioid Safety Recommendations for First Responders

- This report was released by the White House in early November after President Trump declared the opioid crisis a public health emergency.
- The recommendations were made with input from multiple associations and organizations including the medical community, public health, occupational safety and more.
- You can access the printable guidance [here](#).
- You can obtain more information on fentanyl through the Centers for Disease COntrol and Prevention's

Vehicle Ramming Incidents and Perimeter Protections

- This best practices report is provided by the [National Center for Spectator Sports Safety and Security \(NCS4\)](#).
- The tragic events in Charlottesville, VA and Barcelona, Spain preceded this report.
- You can view the report [here](#).

CSSRC ONLINE COURSE OFFERINGS & ARCHIVED PRESENTATIONS

◆ To view all online courses, click on the link below.

- [Link to CSSRC online course offerings](#)
- [Click here to see Live Streams of all previous keynote addresses](#)

OTHER COLORADO TRAININGS and EVENTS

Intro to Continuous Improvement

- This training is provided by the [Youth Initiative of Adams County](#).
- **When and where:**
 - **Wednesday, January 10, 2017, 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm** Adams 12 Five Star Schools Room Sunlight Peak, 1500 E. 128th Avenue, Thornton, CO 80241 -- Register [here](#).
 - **Wednesday, January 17, 2018, 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm** Adams 12 Five Star Schools Room TBD, 1500 E. 128th Avenue, Thornton, CO 80241 -- Register [here](#).
 - **Thursday, February 8, 2018, 3:00 PM – 4:00 PM** Adams 12 Five Star Schools Room Silverton, 1500 E. 128th Avenue, Thornton, CO 80241 -- Register [here](#).
 - **Wednesday, March 14, 2018, 3:00 PM – 4:00 PM** Adams 12 Five Star Schools Room TBD, 1500 E. 128th Avenue, Thornton, CO 80241 -- Register [here](#).
 - **Wednesday, April 4, 2018, 3:00 PM – 4:00 PM** Adams 12 Five Star Schools Room TBD, 1500 E. 128th Avenue, Thornton, CO 80241 -- Register [here](#).
- **What:** “This session will provide participants with an overview of the Continuous Improvement process and an introduction to basic tools that are key to the practice.” This is a prerequisite for advanced trainings through the Youth Initiative of Adams County.
- You can view more information on each training date’s registration [page](#).

NEW Parent Academy - Social/Digital Media and Human Trafficking

- This event is provided by [Charles Schwab](#) and the [Douglas County Sheriff’s Department](#).
- **When: February 1, 2018**
- **Where: Charles Schwab - 9875 Schwab Way, Lone Tree, CO 80124**
- **Save the date and watch for the upcoming flyer!**

Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training (ASIST)

- This training is sponsored by [Douglas County School District](#), [Douglas County Sheriff’s Office](#), [Douglas/Arapahoe Suicide Prevention Alliance \(DASPA\)](#), [Douglas County Government—Philip S Miller Grant](#), [Rotary Club Castle Pines](#), and many other community sponsors.
- **When: Multiple Dates:**
 - **February 7-8, 2018**
 - **March 7-8, 2018**
 - **June 6-7, 2018**
 - **September 12-13, 2018**
 - **November 1-2, 2018**
- **What:** Two-day workshop in suicide intervention skills. Learn and practice this life-saving intervention model that is widely used by professionals and the general public.
- **Cost:** \$50 Community Member, \$25 Douglas/Arapahoe Suicide Prevention Association (DASPA) Member
- **See flyer [here](#).**
- **Register online [here!](#)** Select the District A-Z tab, choose Professional Development, and select ASIST.

Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training (ASIST)

- This [Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training \(ASIST\)](#) is a two day workshop sponsored by [Greater Littleton Youth Initiative](#) and [Littleton Public Schools](#).
- **When:**
 - Thursday and Friday, **February 8-9, 2018**
 - Thursday and Friday, **May 31 - June 1, 2018**
- **Where:** Ames Training Center, 7300 So. Clermont Drive, Centennial, CO.
- **What:** “Develop skills necessary to use the Pathways to Assisting Life (PAL) model, including understanding what a person at risk needs from a suicide intervention caregiver and learn how to create a keep safe plan using the safety framework.”
- You can view more information [here](#).
- See the flyer [here](#).
- Register [here](#).

Parents Encouraging Parents (PEP) Conferences

- This program is provided by the [Colorado Department of Education](#) (CDE).
- **When and where:**
 - **February 22 - 24, 2018, Colorado Springs, CO**
 - **April 26 - 28, 2018, Mt. Crested Butte, CO**
- **What:** “PEP conferences are designed to promote family and school partnerships that are essential in supporting students with disabilities and their families in schools and the community.”
- You can view more information [here](#).
- **Apply** [here](#).

2018 Colorado Emergency Management Conference SAVE THE DATE

- This conference is being held by the [Colorado Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management \(DHSEM\)](#) and the [Colorado Emergency Managers Association \(CEMA\)](#).
- **When: Monday, February 26, 2018, - Thursday, March 1, 2018.**
- **Where: Hotel Elegante, 2886 S Circle Dr., Colorado Springs, CO.**
- You can obtain more information including specific pricing [here](#).
- View flyer [here](#).
- Register [here](#).

Colorado Avalanche Friends Together Against Bullying

- This event is being held by [Friends Colorado](#) which is a non-profit organization dedicated to the prevention of bullying. “We educate and support youth sports clubs and schools with the vision to see all children grow up in a safe, secure, and inclusive environment.”
- **When: Friday, March 2, 2018, at the Colorado Avalanche game against the Minnesota Wild.**
- You can view the flyer [here](#).
- You can find tickets [here](#).

Positive Youth Development (PYD) Training

- The trainings are provided by the [Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment \(CDPHE\)](#).
- **When and where: March 16, 2018, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm**
- **Where:** Canon City (exact location to be supplied upon registration)
- **What:** These trainings will cover multiple topics such as Training on Positive Youth Development, An Introduction to Adolescent Development, and more.
- **Register** [here](#).
- You can contact Rebecca Medina by email RebeccaM.Medina@state.co.us with questions.

NEW Rocky Mountain Early Childhood Conference

- The [conference](#) is brought to you by [Denver’s Early Childhood Council](#) and [Early Childhood Council Leadership Alliance](#).

- **When:** March 16-17, 2018.
- **Where:** Colorado Convention Center, 700 14th St., Denver, CO 80202
- You can view more information, register, or become a sponsor [here](#).

Community Youth Organization Bullying Prevention Training Class

- This training is provided by [Olweus Bullying Prevention Program](#) and [Clemson Safe and Humane Schools](#).
- **When:** May 3, 2018, 8:30 am - 4:30 pm; May 4, 2018, 8:30 am - 2:30 pm
- **Where:** Betty Ford Center 14001 East Iliff Ave Ste 120, Aurora, CO 80014
- **What:** “Prepares leaders of youth-serving community organization to train their staff in bullying prevention.”
- **Cost:** \$595 per class.
- You can view more information [here](#).
- **Register** [here](#).

NATIONAL TRAININGS and EVENTS

NEW National Slavery & Human Trafficking Prevention Month

- January is National Slavery & Human Trafficking Prevention Month.
- The [Office on Trafficking in Persons](#) is within the [U.S. Department of Health and Human Services](#) and they provide myths and facts on human trafficking.
- You can view the [myths and facts](#), [reporting tips](#) and more including training opportunities [here](#).



National Drug and Alcohol Facts Week®

- You can now host a National Drug and Alcohol Facts Week® (NDAFW) event **January 22-28, 2018.**
- If you register to host the event, all materials will be provided by National Institute on Drug Abuse for Teachers (NIDA).
- NDAFW has an online guide to help you prepare for your event and get the word out.
- You can access the guide, registration and more [here](#).

Botvin LifeSkills - Provider Training Workshops

- This training is provided by [Botvin LifeSkills Training](#).
- There are multiple dates and locations around the country for different types:
 - Middle School Workshops
 - High School Workshops
 - Online Webinars and more
- See more information, locations, and register [here](#).
- You can also arrange for a trainer to come to you by emailing training@nhpamail.com or calling 800-293-4969.

NEW 2018 BluePrints Conference - National Conference Held Locally!

- BluePrints “helps you easily identify evidence-based programs that help young people reach their full potential. Get ahead of serious challenges that influence children's success with programs that have the highest standards for promoting prosocial behavior, academic success, emotional well-being, physical health and positive relationships.” BluePrints programs are rated by the Center for the Study and Prevention of Violence at CU, Boulder.
- This is sponsored by [Blueprints](#), [Functional Family Therapy](#), and [MST Services](#).
- **April 30, 2018 - May 2, 2018**
- **Where:** Westin, Westminster, Colorado
- **Registration is open** [here](#).

CURRENT GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

BEST Grant Application Available

- This grant is available through the [Colorado Department of Education’s Division of Capital Construction](#).
- This grant is available to school districts, charter schools, Charter School Institute Schools, BOCES, and the Colorado School for the Deaf and the Blind.

- The funds from the grant can be used for “the construction of new schools as well as general construction and renovation of existing school facility systems and structures.”
- **Applications are due February 23, 2018.**
- You can view more information and the application [here](#).

NEW Expelled and At-Risk Student Services (EARSS)

- This grant is provided by the [Colorado Department of Education \(CDE\)](#).
- The purpose of the grant is “to provide education services and support services to expelled students, and/or students at risk of being expelled, and/or students at risk of being declared, or already are, habitually truant.”
- A webinar on the grant and application process will be on January 18, 2018, 2:30 pm - 3:30 pm.
- **Deadline for proposals: March 14, 2018.**
- You can view more information on the grant and timeframe [here](#).

NEW Mini-Grants - Preventing Child Maltreatment

- Coming soon - [Illuminate Colorado](#) will partner with the [Colorado Office of Early Childhood](#) to provide mini-grants “to support training in three curricula to prevent child maltreatment - Nurturing Healthy Sexual Development, Stewards of Children, and Bringing the Protective Factors to Life in Your Work.”
- You can watch for more information [here](#).

2017 - 2018 Grants and Awards Forecast

- This report is provided by the [Colorado Department of Education \(CDE\)](#).
- The document is updated regularly to “reflect current and upcoming funding opportunities available through various offices across the CDE.”
- The forecast highlights important information like due dates, eligibility and more.
- You can access the PDF version of the report [here](#).

List of Grants and Ongoing Funding Opportunities

- This list is provided by [LiveWell Colorado](#).
- While LiveWell Colorado is not a funding group, they have compiled a list of grants and “ongoing funding opportunities”.
- You can view the list and more information [here](#).

RESOURCES and INFORMATION for Pre K-12 Schools

NEW EPA 3Ts Toolkit at REMS TA Center

- The toolkit is provided by the [Environmental Protection Agency \(EPA\)](#) and [Readiness and Emergency Management for Schools Technical Assistance Center \(REMS TA\)](#).
- The toolkit was created for “use by school officials responsible for the maintenance and/or safety of school’s drinking water.”
- You can view more information regarding lead in drinking water in schools [here](#).
- You can view the toolkit and more information [here](#).

SITE ASSESS - EOP Interactive Tool

- This tool is provided by [the Readiness and Emergency Management for Schools \(REMS\) Technical Assistance \(TA\) Center](#).
- The tool is described as “a comprehensive tool that allows school and school district personnel to walk around a school building and grounds and examine their safety, security, accessibility, and emergency preparedness. It generates a customized to-do list that may be used in the short and long term to address facility improvements, prompts teams to share pertinent information with first responders, and contains relevant resources on several education facility and safety topics.”
- You can access the tool and more information [here](#).

Relocating to a New School: Tips for Families

- These tips are provided by the [National Association of School Psychologists \(NASP\)](#).
- All children are guaranteed school attendance under the [McKinney-Vento Act](#).

- This document addresses topics like enrolling, collecting and reconstructing school & health information, and more.
- You can access the webpage [here](#) or you can download the printable version by clicking [here](#).

Fact Sheets on Five Preparedness Mission Areas

- The fact sheets are provided by [the Readiness and Emergency Management for Schools \(REMS\) Technical Assistance \(TA\) Center](#).
- There are 5 different sheets that you can access:
 - [Prevention for Schools and School Districts](#)
 - [Protection for Schools and School Districts](#)
 - [Mitigation for Schools and School Districts](#)
 - [Response for Schools and School Districts](#)
 - [Recovery for Schools and School Districts](#)
- You can access more information [here](#).
- REMS TA also has two webinars available on [mitigation](#) and [recovery](#).

Cybersecurity and Cyber Safety Considerations For K-12 Schools and Districts

- This information is provided by [the Readiness and Emergency Management for Schools \(REMS\) Technical Assistance \(TA\) Center](#).
- There are currently two different items:
 - [Cyber Safety Considerations for K-12 Schools and Districts](#) - Focuses on addressing cyber threats to students (i.e., the human element)
 - [Cybersecurity Considerations for K-12 Schools and Districts](#) - Focuses on addressing threats to a school's or district's information technology network and systems.
- You can access general cyber incident information [here](#).
- You can access the K-12 Webinar: Integrating Cybersecurity with Emergency Operations Plans (EOPs) for K-12 Schools [here](#).

Teen Sexual Assault Factsheets

- The factsheets were created by the [National Child Traumatic Stress Network \(NCTSN\)](#).
- There are two factsheets:
 - [Teen Sexual Assault: Information for Teens](#)
 - [Teen Sexual Assault: Information for Parents](#)
- The factsheets were created to accompany their webinar When “NO” is Not Enough: Information on Teen Sexual Assault.
- The webinar can be accessed [here](#).

Suicide Prevention Package

- This resource titled *Preventing Suicide: A Technical Package of Policy, Programs, and Practices* comes from the [Center for Disease Control and Prevention \(CDC\)](#).
- The resource highlights seven strategies:
 - “Strengthening economic supports
 - Strengthening access to and delivery of suicide care
 - Creating protective environments
 - Promoting connectedness
 - Teaching coping and problem-solving skills
 - Identifying and supporting people at risk
 - Lessening harms and preventing future risk”
- The resource can be viewed, downloaded or printed [here](#).
- You can obtain more information on preventing suicide through the CDC [here](#).

Suicide Prevention

- These two new resources are provided by the [Suicide Prevention Resource Center](#).
- The first resource is *The Role of High School Teachers in Preventing Suicide* which can be accessed [here](#).

- The second is *Suicide Prevention Resources for Teens* which can be accessed [here](#).

Classroom Locks and Fire Safety Compliance

- The **January 1, 2018** deadline has arrived for fire compliant classroom locks.
- [Douglas County School District](#) was recently denied an exemption to outfit their classes with storeroom function locksets.
- The state's [Division of Fire Prevention and Control's Board of Appeals](#) had asked the Center to share this information with our schools. You can access the appeal [here](#).
- If you have any questions, please contact Rob Geislinger, Section Chief, Fire & Life Safety Section of DFPC: rob.geislinger@state.co.us or 303.239.4101.

INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION

Active Shooter Training Video

- This video was created by the Emergency Managers of the [Boston Consortium of Higher Education](#).
- The video is designed to be used on any campus.
- There is no cost to obtain the video.
- You can view the branded video [here](#).
- To request your copy of the video, contact June Kevorkian, Director of Program & Administration, The Boston Consortium of Higher Education by phone: 339-225-3824 or email: jkevorkian@boston-consortium.org

Preparing for Study Abroad Emergencies

- This webinar was recorded by the [Readiness and Emergency Management for Schools \(REMS\) Technical Assistance \(TA\) Center](#) on October 20, 2017, in collaboration with the [U.S. Department of Education's Office of Safe and Healthy Students](#).
- Presenters described "the process for addressing emergencies abroad in planning efforts, shared case studies, and highlighted resources and support available when preparing for these incidents."
- You can access the webinar recording and more information [here](#).
- You can view the fact sheet [here](#).

Cybersecurity Considerations for Institutions of Higher Education

- This information is provided by the [Readiness and Emergency Management for Schools \(REMS\) Technical Assistance \(TA\) Center](#).
- This document focuses on addressing threats to an IHE's information technology network and systems.
- You can access the information [here](#).
- You can also access the higher education webinar: Integrating Cybersecurity with Emergency Operations Plans (EOPs) for Institutions of Higher Education (IHEs) [here](#).

2016 Intercollegiate Athletics Safety and Security Best Practices Compliance Survey.

- The survey is provided by the [National Center for Spectator Sports Safety and Security \(NCS4\)](#) upon request.
- The information gathered in this survey was used to create the Best Practices Report listed above which covers best practices including middle and inner perimeter improvements and more.
- You can request the 2016 Intercollegiate Athletics Safety and Security Best Practices Compliance Survey [here](#).

Campus Carry Concealed Handguns Report

- This report is from the [National Center for Campus Public Safety \(NCCPS\)](#).
- This report is a resource for colleges and universities that need to develop campus carry policies consistent with state law.
- You can view the report [here](#).
- You can view the NCCPS emerging issues forums [here](#).

Clery Act Clarification - Victim Advocates

- The [Clery Act](#) is a consumer protection law that aims to provide transparency around campus crime policy and statistics. In order to comply with Clery Act requirements, colleges and universities must understand what the

law entails, where their responsibilities lie, and what they can do to actively foster campus safety.

- Lately there has been some misunderstandings related to the act and mandatory reporting. [Campus Technical Assistance and Resource Project](#) has created a document that helps clarify the different roles related to the act on campus.
- View the information [here!](#)

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- Featuring daily updates on new research, resources, upcoming trainings, and Center activities.



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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.Colorado.gov/SchoolSafetyResourceCenter or www.Colorado.gov/CSSRC) for the latest school safety information and upcoming trainings. **Call us at: 303-239-4435.**



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