



**April 2019**

**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 other school safety efforts throughout the state of Colorado and relevant national resources. **Please forward this to others on your email list that have an interest in supporting safe and positive schools in Colorado. They may register for this listserv on our website [www.Colorado.gov/SchoolSafetyResourceCenter](http://www.Colorado.gov/SchoolSafetyResourceCenter) or [www.Colorado.gov/CSSRC](http://www.Colorado.gov/CSSRC).**

## **THE DIRECTOR'S CORNER**

### **Happy Spring to All!**

As the 20th anniversary of Columbine approaches, I was reminded of a document my predecessor, Linda Kanan, created at the 10th anniversary - *10 Years After Columbine: Highlights of School Safety Efforts in Colorado*. With the help of some of our school safety partners across the state, we have updated it [here](#). You will find that a great deal of time, energy and resources have gone into school safety since April 1999 as we all work very hard to continue to keep our students safe.

**Please note: This document highlights statewide efforts only. We are aware of the tremendous amount of work that has happened in individual districts and schools, which is not noted here. We urge you to share those efforts with your parents and community.**

Please see the ***Uniting to Prevent School Violence*** event below to be held on **Tuesday, April 16th** at Anschutz sponsored by the University of Colorado.

Finally, I am sad to say that two Parkland students and a father of a student who was killed at Sandy Hook have died by suicide within the last week. Although I have no way of knowing what contributed to these events, I can't help but think that the anniversaries may be connected. It is a painful reminder of just how difficult the anniversary of a tragedy is for those impacted. Please reach out to our Colorado survivors and support them as we move into April. A simple, "I am thinking of you and the loved one you lost," may go a long way to help ease their pain. Reminding them of the resources available for assistance including the [Colorado Crisis Services](#) can be very helpful as well. More resources on anniversaries from the National Association of School Psychologists can be accessed below under **Educator Guidance: Crisis Anniversaries**.

Kindest regards,

*Chris Harms*

## **Welcome to Child Abuse Prevention Month!**

Pick up a blue pinwheel or plant a garden of them--you will see plenty throughout April, **Child Abuse Prevention Month**. They remind us that childhood can and should be playful and free of abuse. We all play a part in that commitment. There are myriad opportunities this month to build strong communities of safety for children--one being the conference referenced below.



The Center has always trained our stakeholders that **mandatory reporters of child abuse** cannot delegate that duty, and that their mandate follows them 24/7, 365 days per year. The Colorado Court of Appeals validated that best practice recently, confirming that a teacher's reporting obligation does not stop at the schoolhouse door. Be a trusted adult, and use your voice to protect a child. Take advantage of the Center's in-person or

online trainings to hone your skills to protect our most vulnerable. Join us at the conference, or contact the Center's Child Sexual Abuse Prevention Specialist to schedule a workshop. [margaret.ochoa@state.co.us](mailto:margaret.ochoa@state.co.us)

## **COLORADO SCHOOL SAFETY RESOURCE CENTER TRAINING**



### **Child Sexual Abuse Prevention Conference - Registration Open!**

- The plenaries' focus this year will be on the influence of culture and media on sexual harm, and how good leadership can aid in prevention.
- Individual workshops will cover best school policies for child sexual abuse prevention and response, immigration as a risk factor for trafficking, K-12 Title IX (watch for big changes!), teen dating violence prevention, barriers to disclosure, and a panel on the creation of a comprehensive school prevention model.
- You can view and share the flyer [here](#) and the agenda [here](#).
- **When: Thursday, April 4, 2019, 8:00 am - 3:30 pm**
- **Where:** The Lowry Conference Center, 1061 Akron Way, Building 697, Denver, CO
- **Cost:** \$50/person (plus a nominal registration fee)
- [Register here](#).

### **Western Slope Safety Symposium - Registration Now Open!**

- This is a collaboration of the [Montrose County School District](#) and the Colorado School Safety Resource Center.
- **When: Thursday, May 9, 2019**
- **Where: The Pavilion 1800 Pavilion Drive, Montrose, CO 81402**
- **What:** Keynote presentations by **Ben Cort** author of *Weed, Inc.* and **Rosalind Wiseman**, author of *Queen Bees and Wannabees*. Workshops will include Trauma for Educators, Self-Care, Sexting, Threat Assessment, Suicide Prevention, Emergency Planning, and more.
- The [flyer](#) and [agenda](#) for the day are here.
- Registration is [now open](#) at \$50/attendee (plus a nominal registration fee)



### **Institutions of Higher Education Summer Safety Symposium - Registration Now Open!**

- **When: Thursday, June 13th**
- **Where: Embassy Suites in Loveland**
- **What:** Five plenaries will make up the day including: Threat Assessment with the FBI, trauma-informed interviewing, and MJ on college campuses. The others are still to be confirmed.
- Please access the [flyer](#) and [agenda](#) for more information.
- Registration is open [here](#).

### **NEW Digital Threat Assessment Workshops - SAVE THE DATES!**

- After the successful three-hour introduction to Digital Threat Assessment - mining social media for possible school threats- at the February regional training, the Colorado School Safety Center and the [Colorado School District Self Insurance Pool](#) will be hosting three one-day workshops conducted by [Safer Schools Together](#).
- **When:**
  - **Wednesday, September 25, 2019** - BASIC DIGITAL THREAT ASSESSMENT (max 50)
  - **Thursday, September 26, 2019** - ADVANCED DIGITAL THREAT ASSESSMENT (max 50 with the pre-requisite of BASIC DIGITAL THREAT ASSESSMENT with certificate)
  - **Friday, September 27, 2019** - TRAIN-THE-TRAINER DIGITAL THREAT ASSESSMENT (max 25 with the pre-requisite of both BASIC and ADVANCED with certificates )
- **Where:** Lowry Conference Center, 1061 Akron Way, Building 697, Denver, CO
- **Cost:** TBD
- Please access the flyer [here](#).

## 2019 Colorado Safe Schools Summit - **CALL FOR PROPOSALS**

- **When:** Thursday & Friday, October 24th and 25th
- **Where:** Adams 12 Five Star Conference Center
- **What:** Four wonderful keynoters and 24 fabulous workshops
- **Who:** Sponsored by the [Colorado School Safety Resource Center](#), the [Center for the Study and Prevention of Violence at CU-Boulder](#) and [Safe2Tell](#).
- **We will be accepting proposals until Friday, May 17th.**
- Notifications to workshop presenters chosen no later than Friday, June 7th.
- Those chosen for workshops will get a no-cost registration to the Summit.

## **COLORADO SCHOOL SAFETY RESOURCE CENTER NEWS**

### **NEW** Updates to the CSSRC Threat Assessment Protocol

- The Center has been facilitating a Threat Assessment Working Group. At the most recent meeting, a cross analysis of threat assessment documents from Colorado and other states was reviewed.
- Although the working group does not expect to adopt a common protocol, efforts have been made to assist districts in covering all the necessary information to protect students and hopefully minimize risks for the district.
- During this analysis, staff from the CSSRC have made changes to the protocol (originally based on the work of Adams County school districts and the Center) that we have been using for training.
- **If your team(s) has been previously trained by CSSRC staff (Brad and Dustin) and you would like more information about the updates to the protocol or additional training, please contact one of the trainers. [Brad.stiles@state.co.us](mailto:Brad.stiles@state.co.us) (303.239.4321) or [Dustin.hunter@state.co.us](mailto:Dustin.hunter@state.co.us) (303.239.4533)**

### **NEW** CSSRC Youth Advisory Board Applications

- The Center is now accepting applications for our youth advisory council, **Youth Engaged in School Safety (YES<sup>2</sup>)**, for the 2019-2020 school year.
- YES<sup>2</sup> consists of a group of students from across the state who are **entering grades 9-12 in 2019-2020**. Those applicants who are accepted will attend an orientation over the summer and meet at least four times throughout the year to discuss school safety topics and provide a youth voice to the work of the CSSRC.
- Meetings can be attended either in-person or electronically for participants who live outside of the Denver Metro area.
- **Students will be reimbursed for expenses and paid a stipend for their participation.**
- **Applications are due Friday, May 31st, 2019.**
- Students dedicated to improving school safety and school culture in the state of Colorado, please click here for more information and to apply.
  - [APPLICATION](#)
  - [PARENT OR GUARDIAN PERMISSION LETTER](#)
  - [REFERENCE FORM](#)
- Please contact Dustin Hunter at the Center with questions: [dustin.hunter@state.co.us](mailto:dustin.hunter@state.co.us) or 303.239.4435.

## **CURRENT EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **NEW** Join the Youth Partnership for Health, Youth Advisory Council

- the Youth Partnership for Health, Youth Advisory Council is managed by the [Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment \(CDPHE\)](#).
- “YPH is a youth advisory council that allows young people to voice their ideas and opinions with state, local and community leaders.”
- Applications are due by **April 5, 2019**, and can be completed online.
- You can access more information and apply [here](#).

## **NEW Healthy Kids Colorado Survey (HKCS) WE NEED YOU!**

- This fall, schools can participate in the [Healthy Kids Colorado Survey \(HKCS\)](#) and [Smart Source](#).
- The HKCS is an anonymous and voluntary youth survey, serving as Colorado's only representative data on youth health behaviors, social-emotional indicators, and protective factors.
- Smart Source is an inventory of school health best practices, completed by school staff.
- Both surveys are conducted by the Colorado School of Public Health. Any school can participate in both surveys and will receive \$100 for participating in Smart Source. HKCS and Smart Source are complementary efforts.
- **Many districts leverage results to monitor trends, apply for grants, inform district policies and practices, and evaluate health programs.**
- For more info about participating in HKCS, please email: [hkcs@ucdenver.edu](mailto:hkcs@ucdenver.edu)
- For more info about participating in Smart Source, please email: [smartsource@ucdenver.edu](mailto:smartsource@ucdenver.edu)

## **NEW Colorado Model Bullying Prevention Policy Draft Feedback Needed!**

- With the passing of Ashawnty's Law in 2018, the [Colorado Department of Education \(CDE\)](#) was tasked with developing a model bullying prevention policy for the state.
- "This policy is designed to provide guidance to school districts, charter schools, and the Charter School Institute when developing their bullying prevention and education policy. The model policy is not required to be adopted by any local education agency."
- You can download the draft policy and learn how to provide feedback on CDE's [Model Bullying Prevention Policy](#) website.
- Please direct questions to Adam Collins at [Collins\\_A@cde.state.co.us](mailto:Collins_A@cde.state.co.us)

## **NEW Drugs, Substance Abuse, and Public Schools: A Legal Guide for School Leaders Amidst Evolving Social Norms**

- This publication was recently released by the [National School Boards Association](#) during the NSBA Advocacy Institute.
- As indicated by NSBA Executive Director and CEO Thomas Gentzel, "This legal guide is intended to help schools navigate the complicated patchwork of federal, state, and local laws and regulations governing the presence and use of both authorized medications and illicit drugs in school..."
- View the guide [here](#).



## **NEW Program on Gender-based Violence Applications for Enrollment Being Accepted**

- The [Program on Gender-based Violence \(PGV\)](#) is offered through the [School of Public Affairs Center on Domestic Violence University of Colorado, Denver](#).
- Applications for the program are currently being accepted.
- View the brochure [here](#).

## **CSSRC ONLINE COURSE OFFERINGS & ARCHIVED PRESENTATIONS**

### ***Suicide Risk Factors and Warning Signs***

- This is a 2018 released course designed for all School Staff to help **recognize warning signs and risk factors for suicide**, and report a student of concern to a school mental health professional, as soon as possible.
- Once completed, staff will receive a certificate for continuing education hours.
- The course can be accessed [here](#).

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

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

## **WEBINARS and OTHER ONLINE LEARNING COURSES for K-12 & IHE**

## OTHER COLORADO TRAININGS and EVENTS

### **NEW** Developmental Trauma: Implications for Clinical Work, Education, and Caregiving

- This training is offered by [Mount Saint Vincent](#) and the [Neurosequential Network](#).
- **When: April 1 - 2, 2019**
- **Where: Denver Marriott Westminster, 7000 Church Ranch Blvd., Westminster, CO 80021**
- **What:** “Whether you're a clinician, teacher, foster parent, or someone else who works with children who have experienced trauma, you will leave with information and tools to help you understand how trauma affects development and how to work with challenging behaviors that trauma brings with it.”
- See more information and register [here](#).

### **Youth Education & Safety in Schools (Y.E.S.S.) Parent Academy**

- These events are being offered by the [Douglas County Sheriff's Office](#) and [Rotary Club Castle Pines](#).
- **When:**
  - **April 2nd —11:30-1:00pm—Lunch and Learn (lunch provided)**
  - **May 15th — 6:00-7:30 pm**
- **Where: Douglas County Sheriff's Office, Highlands Ranch Substation Community Room, 9250 Zotos Drive, Highlands Ranch**
- **What:** “Have a conversation with our Y.E.S.S. Instructors to learn about what we are teaching students, trends we see, and have a chance to ask questions!”
- RSVP by emailing Phyllis Harvey at [PHarvey@dcsheriff.net](mailto:PHarvey@dcsheriff.net).



### **NEW** Compassion Fatigue and Secondary Trauma

- This training is brought to you by [The Center for High Risk Youth Studies in the Department of Human Services & Counseling](#).
- **When: April 5, 2019**
- **Where: Auraria Higher Education Center, (Auraria Campus), Tivoli Student Union—Room 320, 900 Auraria Parkway, Denver, CO 80204**
- Register or request more information by emailing [jarnfelt@msudenver.edu](mailto:jarnfelt@msudenver.edu)

### **NEW** Diploma Planning Institute Training

- This training is offered by [the National Dropout Prevention Center](#) and the [Colorado Department of Education \(CDE\)](#).
- **When: April 8, 2019**
- **Where: Colorado Mesa University 1100 North Avenue, Grand Junction, CO 81501**
- **What:** “A team of experts from the National Dropout Prevention Center (NDPC) will train and guide school or district teams through a process that yields a practical improvement plan to increase student success with locally specific action steps that can be implemented.”
- See the flyer [here](#).
- Register [here](#).

### **NEW** Trauma-Skilled Institute Training

- This training is being hosted by the [Colorado Department of Education \(CDE\)](#) and the [National Dropout Prevention Center \(NDPC\)](#)
- **When: April 9 - 10, 2019**
- **Where: Colorado Mesa University 1100 North Avenue, Grand Junction, CO 81501**
- **What:** “The Trauma-Skilled Schools Model provides knowledge and skills to help a school effectively address trauma and stress.”
- Register [here](#).

## 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:**
  - April 10-11
  - May 30-31
  - September 10-11
  - October 23-24
- **Where:** Douglas County Sheriff's Office — Highlands Ranch Substation, 9250 Zotos Drive, Highlands Ranch, CO 80129 (Highlands Ranch Pkwy/Ridgeline)
- **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.
- View the flyer [here](#).
- Register by emailing Phyllis Harvey [PHarvey@dcsheriff.net](mailto:PHarvey@dcsheriff.net)

\*Please note - the CSSRC can also conduct the ASIST training for the cost of materials at your district (about \$42/staff)

## Uniting to Prevent School Violence

- In **recognition of the 20th anniversary of the Columbine High School tragedy**, this event will explore what we have learned about preventing school violence since that event, what questions remain and -perhaps most important- what is preventing us from implementing what we have learned to end these tragedies?
- Designed for scientists, school leaders, public health professionals, community members, public safety professionals, and decision-makers, this symposium will provide knowledge and tools to help us work together to advance violence prevention using a public health approach.
- Hosted by the [Center for the Study and Prevention of Violence](#), the [Center for Bioethics and Humanities](#) and the [Colorado School of Public Health](#).
- **When: Tuesday, April 16, 2019, 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM**
- **Where:** University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus, Education 2 South Auditorium/ Room 1102
- **Cost:** \$25 general registration
- For more information and to register, [use this link](#).



## Collaborative Assessment and Management of Suicidality (CAMS) Training

- This training is being offered by the [Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment Office of Suicide Prevention \(OSP\)](#).
- You have to apply for the training event closest to you. Apply by clicking the link for your nearest event.
- **When and Where:**
  - April 16, 2019, Greeley, CO [APPLY](#)
  - June 11, 2019, Grand Junction, CO [APPLY](#)
  - July 30, 2019, Pueblo, CO [APPLY](#)
- View detailed information, including a description of the 3 part module training, [here](#).

## **NEW** Question, Persuade, Refer (QPR) Suicide Prevention: Train the Trainer

- This training is provided by [North Range Behavioral Health](#).
- **When: April 19, 2019, 8:00 am - 4:30 pm.**
- **Where:** Littler Prevention Campus – 2350 3rd Street Rd., Greeley, CO 80631
- **What:** “QPR is a nationally recognized, evidenced-based suicide gatekeeper program, supported by the Office of Suicide Prevention, that can be done in 60-90 minutes and teaches participants: The scope of the suicide problem, Myths and Facts of suicide, Warning signs of suicide, How to ask the ‘suicide’ question, How to persuade someone to stay alive, How to refer people to local resources.”
- You can view more information [here](#).

- Register by emailing [Kimberly.Pratt@northrange.org](mailto:Kimberly.Pratt@northrange.org)

### **NEW Symposium on Domestic Violence: Dating Abuse and Sexual Assault**

- This annual symposium is being held by [Safe Shelter of St. Vrain Valley](#).
- **When: April 22 - 23, 2019**
- **Where: Hotel Boulderado 2115 13th St, Boulder, CO 80302**
- **What:** “Concurrent breakout sessions will explore understanding of the mental and physical impact and prevalence of dating violence, sexual assault, human trafficking, warning signs, how to respond and disclose as a victim or bystander, and prevention strategies.”
- Register [here](#).

### **SafeTALK - Suicide Alertness Training**

- This training is sponsored by the [Douglas County Sheriff's Office](#), [Rotary Club Castle Pines](#), [Denver Springs](#), [LivingWorks](#), and [Douglas/Arapahoe Suicide Prevention Alliance \(DASPA\)](#).
- **When: May 9, 2019, 11:30 am - 3:00 pm**
- **Where:** Douglas County Sheriff's Office, Highlands Ranch Substation - 9250 Zotos Drive, Highlands Ranch, CO 80129.
- See flyer [here](#).
- **What:** “safeTALK, about three hours in duration, is a training that prepares anyone over the age of 15 to identify persons with thoughts of suicide and connect them to suicide first aid resources.”
- Register by emailing Phyllis Harvey [PHarvey@dcsheriff.net](mailto:PHarvey@dcsheriff.net).

### **NEW Summer Institute in Restorative Practices**

- The trainings are being offered by [Restorative Solutions](#)
- **When, Where, What:**
  - **Introduction to Restorative Practices in Schools: June 3-5, 2019**, Twin Peaks Academy 340 S Sunset St, Longmont, CO 80501. “Participants will explore the fundamental values and principles of restorative practices. They will have opportunities to learn and practice connection circles, restorative language and conversations, and restorative agreement meetings.”
  - **Restorative Mediation & Conferencing: June 6-7, 2019**, Twin Peaks Academy 340 S Sunset St, Longmont, CO 80501. “A two-day intensive workshop dedicated to restorative mediation and conferencing for school personnel who are regularly responsible for addressing discipline issues. Steps in each of these two formal processes will be covered.”
  - **Active Implementation & Evaluation: June 10-12, 2019**, Twin Peaks Academy 340 S Sunset St, Longmont, CO 80501. “This three-day workshop translates cutting-edge research from implementation science into practical tools to develop your own implementation and evaluation plan. Topics include: understanding organizational culture, identification of strengths and roadblocks, stakeholder participation and support, professional development recommendations, crafting restorative codes of conduct, staff and administrator evaluation rubrics, using restorative practices to address staff and student conflict, building a sustainable community of practice and developing an evaluation plan.”
- Learn more and register [here](#).

### **Save the Date! Colorado Autism Conference**

- This conference is being held by the [Colorado Department of Education \(CDE\)](#) and [Colorado State University](#).
- **When: June 4 - 6, 2019**
- **Where:** Colorado State University, Fort Collins, CO
- **What:** “Our hope is that this forum will encourage educational innovators to share strategies that conference attendees can implement in their own schools, classrooms, homes, and communities.”
- More details will be coming soon! You can watch for updated information [here](#).

### **NEW Collaborative Assessment and Management of Suicidality (CAMS)**

- This training is offered by the [Office of Suicide Prevention](#).

- **When and where:**
  - **June 11, 2019, Grand Junction, CO**
  - **July 30, 2019, Pueblo, CO**
- **What:** “The CAMS training is intended for those who provide continuing treatment care to those at-risk for suicide.”
- View more information and register [here](#).

### 2019 High School Redesign Accelerator

- The Accelerator was designed by the [Colorado Education Initiative](#).
- **When: June 26 - 28, 2019**
- **Where: Northfield High School on the Paul Sandoval Campus, 5500 Central Park Blvd., Denver, CO 80238**
- **What:** “The High School Redesign Accelerator is designed to tackle intractable problems and move the needle on equity, relationships, and student engagement.”
- Access more information and purchase tickets [here](#).

### NEW 2019 CASRO School Safety Conference

- The [Colorado Association of School Resource Officers \(CASRO\)](#) 2019 Conference registration is open.
- **When: July 16 - 18, 2019**
- **Where: Double Eagle Hotel & Casino, 442 East Bennett Avenue, Cripple Creek, CO 80813**
- View the agenda [here](#).
- Register [here](#).

### The Great Colorado ShakeOut

- This event is being held by the [Colorado Earthquake Hazard Mitigation Council](#).
- **When: October 17, 2019**
- **Where: Wherever you are!**
- **What:** “The ShakeOut has also been organized to encourage you, your community, your school, or your organization to review and update emergency preparedness plans and supplies, and to secure your space in order to prevent damage and injuries.”
- View the letter from the Colorado Earthquake Hazard Mitigation Council for Superintendents [here](#).
- Register your participation [here](#).

## NATIONAL TRAININGS and EVENTS

### NEW CASEL Summer Institute for Schoolwide SEL

- This institute is being held by the [Collaborative for Academic, Social, and Emotional Learning \(CASEL\)](#).
- **When: June 24 - 25, 2019**
- **Where:** Hyatt Centric Chicago Magnificent Mile 633 North Saint Clair Street, Chicago, Illinois 60611
- **What:** “Learn about CASEL’s schoolwide SEL process, developed from more than a decade of research and field testing across major school districts, and use the new CASEL Guide for Schoolwide SEL to begin your implementation plan.”
- Register [here](#).

### NEW Public Policy Institute (PPI)

- This training is offered by the [National Association of School Psychologists \(NASP\)](#) and the [George Washington \(GW\) University Graduate School of Education and Human Development](#).
- There are three different trainings available:
  - 3-Day Basic Training - July 15 - 17, 2019, “focuses on how federal and state education policy and grassroots advocacy shapes positive learning environments for all students.” View more information [here](#).
  - 5-Day Advanced Training - **July 15 - 19, 2019**, “In addition to all of the offerings included in the 3-day training, 5-day training participants will explore the theme in greater depth.” View more information

[here](#).

- 2-Day Special Topic Focus - **July 18 - 19, 2019**, “Previous PPI attendees (starting in 2010) are eligible to attend the 2-Day Special Topic PPI. They are also welcome to join the Capitol Hill Day (July 17).” View more information [here](#).

## **CURRENT GRANT OPPORTUNITIES**

### **Micro-grants to Advance Restorative Justice Principles & Practices**

- The state's [Restorative Justice \(RJ\) Council](#) is offering Capacity Building Micro-grants in Fiscal Year 2020 to “advance restorative justice principles and practices throughout Colorado by providing gateways to information, networking and support”.
- These grants will focus on boosting organizational or sector-wide capacity to move Restorative Justice and Restorative Practices forward in local communities and throughout Colorado more broadly.
- **Applications must be received electronically by 5 p.m. on April 3, 2019** and funding decisions will be announced by the end of April 2019.
- The award period will be FY 20 July 1, 2019-June 30, 2020.
- [Please download this application](#) for additional information on funding criteria and general guidelines for applicants.
- Once completed, email it as one PDF to [matthew.riede@judicial.state.co.us](mailto:matthew.riede@judicial.state.co.us).



### **Colorado School Climate Grant Application Available**

- The new Colorado School Climate Grant (PDF) from the [Colorado Department of Education](#) seeks to implement evidence-based climate improvement strategies, including Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS), dropout prevention as related to suicide prevention, behavioral health, substance abuse prevention and trauma informed practices to effectively address several early warning indicators.
- The project will:
  - Increase SEA capacity for supporting the sustained and broad-scale implementation of a multi-tiered behavioral framework
  - Enhance LEA capacity for implementing a multi-tiered behavioral framework sustainably and with fidelity by providing training and technical assistance
  - Coordinate School Climate Grant efforts with appropriate federal, state and local resources, including the PBIS Technical Assistance Center.
- Approximately \$200,000 is available for the 2018-19 school year. CDE anticipates awarding up to four individual grants to LEAs for a maximum of \$60,000 each.
- **Applications are due on Wednesday, April 3.**
- For more information and to access the application, visit the [State Funded Comprehensive Health Education](#) webpage.
- For More Information, Contact: Misti Ruthven, Innovation and Pathways of CDE
- Phone: 303-866-6206
- Email: [ruthven\\_m@cde.state.co.us](mailto:ruthven_m@cde.state.co.us)

### **School Professional Grant Program (SPGP)**

- This grant is being managed by the [Colorado Department of Education \(CDE\)](#).
- “This grant program intends to:
  - Increase the presence of school professionals in both elementary and secondary schools to provide substance abuse and behavioral health care to students who have substance abuse or other behavioral health needs
  - Implement substance abuse prevention education and provide evidence based resources to school staff, students and families
  - Reduce barriers for enrolled students, who are at risk for substance abuse, to access services

provided by community-based organizations for treatment and counseling.”

- **An application training webinar is being held on April 4 - register [here](#).**
- View more information on the grant program [here](#).

### **LiveWell Grants Available**

- [LiveWell Colorado](#) currently has a variety of grants available for schools.
- You can view a list of current funding opportunities [here](#).

## **RESOURCES and INFORMATION for Pre K-12 Schools**

### **NEW** A Preliminary Report on the Police Foundation’s Averted School Violence Database

In 2014, the [U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services](#) and the [National Institute of Justice](#) provided funding to the [Police Foundation](#) to initiate the Averted School Violence (ASV) project. Through this project, the Police Foundation developed a database to collect, analyze, and publish incidents of averted and completed acts of school violence that have occurred since the attack on Columbine High School in Littleton, Colorado. The database is intended to serve as a resource to law enforcement, school, mental health professionals, and others involved in preventing school violence by sharing ways in which other school attacks across the country have been identified and prevented. You can access the report [here](#).

### **NEW** A Comparison of Averted and Completed School Attacks from the Police Foundation Averted School Violence Database

In this report, 51 completed and 51 averted incidents of school violence, drawn from the Averted School Violence (ASV) database, were analyzed to help further our understanding of averted and completed school attacks. The report also seeks to provide important lessons about how school violence can be prevented. The data are drawn from the public domain as well as from law enforcement, school officials, and others entering reports into the database. View the report [here](#).

### **NEW** Preparing for Opioid-Related Emergencies Fact Sheet

- This fact sheet is provided by [Readiness and Emergency Management for Schools \(REMS\) Technical Assistance Center](#).
- This fact sheet was created in response to the [Final Report of the President’s Commission on Combating Drug Addiction and the Opioid Crisis](#).
- You can access the fact sheet [here](#).

### **NEW** Application for Free MHFA Training Materials

- The [Office of Suicide Prevention \(OSP\)](#) is accepting applications for free [Mental Health First Aid \(MHFA\)](#) training materials for workshops you facilitate.
- You can access the application for materials [here](#).

### **NEW** Application for Free QPR Materials

- The [Office of Suicide Prevention \(OSP\)](#) is accepting applications for free [Question, Persuade, Refer \(QPR\)](#) workshops you facilitate.
- You can access the application for materials [here](#).

### **NEW** Application for Free safeTALK Materials

- The [Office of Suicide Prevention \(OSP\)](#) is accepting applications for free [safeTALK](#) materials for workshops you facilitate.
- You can access the application for materials [here](#).

### **NEW** Social Media and Suicide: A Tipsheet for Parents and Providers

- This tipsheet comes from the [American Association of Suicidology \(AAS\)](#) “in response to recent events surrounding social media and suicide content.”
- Access the tipsheet [here](#).

## Educator Guidance: Crisis Anniversaries

- This guidance comes from the [National Association of School Psychologists \(NASP\)](#).
- This helps you prepare for the upcoming anniversaries by being mindful of students' potential reactions, not holding armed assailant drills, monitoring social media and more.
- You can access the guidance [here](#).

## Suicide Postvention Resource Pages

- The [Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment's Office of Suicide Prevention](#) has new resources for schools and communities.
  - "[After a Suicide Attempt or Suicidal Experience](#)"
  - "[After a Suicide Loss](#)"

## Fact Sheet for Schools and IHEs on Addressing Opioid Emergencies

- This fact sheet is provided by the [Readiness and Emergency Management for Schools \(REMS\) Technical Assistance Center](#).
- This fact sheet was created in response to a research article from the [U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#) regarding overdose deaths in children and teenagers.
- You can access the fact sheet [here](#).

## FREE Digital Resources

- EVERFI helps teachers prepare students to face real life challenges via no cost digital resources and local implementation support to help all K-12 teachers in Colorado equip their students with critical life skills in an engaging format. All resources are student-paced, self-assessed and standards-aligned.
- Just some of the **23 resources that are available for educators** and whom some of their local sponsors are as follows: Vault (personal finance- Colorado Attorney General's Office/Canvas Credit Union), Character Playbook (healthy relationships, NFL/Denver Broncos), Honor Code: Action Matters (Bullying Prevention -MLS/Colorado Rapids), Prescription Drug Safety (Walmart), Healthier Me (Nutrition and Fitness- CO Avalanche and Denver Nuggets)
- The resources cover topics like Internet Safety, Mental Health, AlcoholEdu, Compassion, etc. that are also available at no cost to you.
- Along with these partnerships are opportunities for classroom visits from respective sponsors and personalized, local support.
- Please contact your local, K-12 Colorado Implementation Director, Samara Cipriani (scipriani@everfi.com), and she would be happy to get you quickly started and set up or feel free to explore yourself at [everfi.com/newteacher](#).

## INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION

### Institutions of Higher Education Summer Safety Symposium - **Registration Now Open**

- The annual IHE Summer Safety Symposium will take place on **Thursday, June 13th** at the **Embassy Suites in Loveland**.
- Five plenaries will make up the day including: Threat Assessment with the FBI, trauma-informed interviewing, and MJ on college campuses. The others are still to be confirmed.
- Mark your calendars and we will finalize details in the April E-Update.
- For more information please see the [flyer](#) and [agenda](#).
- **Registration is open [here](#).**

### **NEW** Preparing for Minors on Campus

- These resources are provided by [The National Center for Campus Public Safety \(NCCPS\)](#).
- "The presence of minors on campus requires colleges and universities to manage a variety of risks ranging from premises liability to medical exposures, kidnapping threats, sexual abuse claims, and other concerns."

- They are providing the following:
  - “Free, on-demand webinar, [Planning for the Safety of Minors: Routine and Emergency Situations](#), which can help campuses develop safety and emergency protocols for minors. The resource list mentioned in the presentation is available [here](#).”
  - “The [United Educators' checklist](#) (PDF) of behavioral standards for adults interacting with minors on campus.”
  - “[The American Camp Association \(ACA\)](#) provides several low-cost online training resources, including:
    - [Planning for Risk Management for Your Camp](#), a training course for camp directors, owners, administrators, and managers that discusses the risk management process, emergency planning, crisis strategies, and other topics.
    - [Crisis and Risk Management Strategies for Camps and Experiential Youth Programs](#), a webinar that helps campus administrators prepare for crises and emergencies that require closing or evacuating a site.
    - [Preparing for Risks for Summer](#), a webinar that examines emerging risk concerns many camps face during the summer and how camp managers can control those risks.”

## **NEW** Higher Education Resource Guides

- The guides are being distributed by the [Higher Education Mental Health Alliance \(HEMHA\)](#).
- The three guides are:
  - Distance Counseling
  - Postvention: A Guide for Response to Suicide on College Campuses
  - Balancing Safety and Support on Campus
- You can view more information and access the guides [here](#).

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



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