



December 2020

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 who have an interest in supporting safe and positive schools in Colorado. They may register for this listserv on our website www.Colorado.gov/CSSRC.**

THE DIRECTOR'S CORNER

Dear Colleagues: I hope everyone enjoyed a lovely Thanksgiving in spite of trying to be COVID conscious. I imagine we are all anxious to put 2020 behind us. However, we have one last month and I am hoping that many of you will join us for the Student/Staff Summit on December 10th. Please see all the details below.

We have also posted a [new virtual training calendar](#) for the Mondays and Fridays in January and February. Please look and see if any of the workshops would be helpful for you and your staff.

I also want to remind you of our mandate from the Governor's office which is to **report that all districts have exercised their EOPs (emergency operations plans) within the last year.** We appreciate your help with this. If you have an update to the survey sent out previously, please make those adjustments here. [CSSRC Needs Assessment - School Survey](#)

If you would like a CSSRC staff member to run a virtual tabletop drill to satisfy this goal, please contact Brad Stiles at brad.stiles@state.co.us or (303) 349-1549.

We would be happy to assist.

All the staff here at the CSSRC wish you and your families peace, health and safety this holiday season and into the new year.

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COLORADO SCHOOL SAFETY RESOURCE CENTER TRAINING

Student/Staff Summit - Registration Open: Calling all middle and high school staff and students!

- **Previously, the CSSRC has hosted student/staff summits across the state. By going virtual, any middle school and/or high school students and their staff can participate.**
- The speakers and workshops have been finalized. The topics have been selected by the CSSRC youth council students.
- It will be an opportunity to hear speakers talk on school safety and then participate in workshops with other students to address issues of safety important to students.
- **When: Thursday, December 10, 2020** from 9:00 AM until 3:00 PM.
- **Where:** Virtually.
- View the agenda [here](#).
- **Fee:** No cost!
- **How:** Simply register and you will receive the link and resources for the workshops a week before.
- **Registration** is available [here](#)!
- If you need help registering students, please contact Isaac.baah@state.co.us.

Child Sexual Abuse Prevention Symposium - Registration is Now Open!

- This is hosted every other year by the CSSRC.
- The Center is in the process of confirming four plenary sessions with national and local experts.
- **When: Thursday, February 4, 2021**
- **Where: Virtually**
- Confirmed speakers:
 - Dr. Charol Shakeshaft, Virginia Commonwealth University (*Educator Sexual Misconduct*)
 - Dr. Amber Morczek, Nevada State College (*Impact of Pornography on Youth*)
 - Katelyn Jenkin, Colorado Bureau of Investigation (*Internet Luring Tactics/Online Dangers*)
- **Fee: No cost!**
- View the agenda [here](#).
- **How: Registration is now open [here](#)!**



CSSRC Virtual Trainings Continue on Mondays and Fridays in January and February

- We have released the January and February virtual training dates on the training calendar, which can be accessed [here](#).
- These courses are no-cost and, once you complete the anonymous evaluation at the end, you will receive a certificate for continuing education hours!
- Although designed for individual attendees, if a school or district would like to offer any of these courses to their staff simultaneously, please contact the listed presenter and details can be arranged.
- You can contact the center with any questions or concerns by calling 303.239.4435 or by emailing cdps_school_safety_center@state.co.us.

STILL RECRUITING CSSRC STOP Grant: Threat Assessment Training & Implementation

- **The CSSRC is recruiting more sites** for threat assessment training and implementation
- We need sites where CSSRC staff have NOT trained in threat assessment as well as a few where we have trained in the past.
- The lift for school sites is minimal – just training evaluations to complete along with the training and a brief collection of data every six months.
- We also realize that adding another project to your school's work may be overwhelming right now. Please know that the grant project continues until 9/30/2022. If you believe you might be interested later in the process, please call to get your district/school on the list now.
- **Staff can be paid stipends for the training and data collection under the grant when training is conducted after regular working hours.**
- This final training phase of the grant will extend from September 2020 through August 2021.
- CSSRC staff have been **working with the Governor's Office of Information Technology and will be piloting a secure, on-line protocol with the remaining sites.** Schools will be able to store their assessments and track the at-risk students' Response Management Support Plans with automatic notifications for review meetings, among other features. This will be available free of charge to districts even when the grant work is completed.
- **If your school is interested in being one of the 30 sites, below is more information.**
 - [Application](#)
 - [Application Letter](#)
 - [MOU](#)
- Please complete the application and return it to Christine.harms@state.co.us or call Chris if you have any questions. (303.912.6915). We are now scheduling for January and February 2021.

CSSRC ONLINE COURSE OFFERINGS & ARCHIVED PRESENTATIONS

CSSRC online course links:

- [Link to CSSRC online course offerings](#)

CURRENT EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEW Recruiting and Retaining Officers in Small and Rural Agencies

- The [Community Oriented Policing Services \(COPS\)](#) “held a day-long forum to discuss the challenges of law enforcement recruitment and retention and specifically focused on these issues in relation to smaller and more rural law enforcement agencies.”
- This publication is a result of that forum, you can view it [here](#).

NEW National Institute of Justice Examines School Violence Data

- The [Office of Justice Programs’ National Institute of Justice](#) “published an article that discusses current ongoing data collection efforts regarding school violence.”
- Read the article “What Do the Data Reveal About Violence in Schools?” [here](#).

NEW 2021 Emerging Leaders Committee

- The [Coalition for Juvenile Justice \(CJJ\)](#) describes this opportunity as “a partnership between CJJ and young people in the field of juvenile justice, many of whom bring lived expertise to their work”
- Individuals over the age of 16 and under the age of 24 are encouraged to apply.
- View more information on the committee [here](#).
- If interested, you can apply [here](#).
- **Applications are due by December 5, 2020!**

NEW Receive Rural Health Updates from USDA Rural Development

- The [USDA Rural Development](#) is launching a new mailing list all about Rural Health.
- You can subscribe to the new mailing list [here](#).

SEOW Co-Occurring Mental Health & Substance Use Disorders: Vol. 1, Issue 3

- This newsletter comes from the [Colorado State Epidemiological Outcomes Workgroup \(SEOW\)](#)
- “The Co-Occurring Mental Health and Substance Use Disorders Brief provides Coloradans with an understanding of co-occurring disorders, its prevalence in the U.S. and Colorado, challenges we face in providing treatment to patients with a co-occurring disorder, and limitations in collecting and interpreting data on these disorders.”
- You can view the briefing [here](#).



School Resource Officers: Averted School Violence Special Report

- The publication is from [the COPS Office](#).
- “The National Police Foundation and the COPS Office created the Averted School Violence (ASV) database to provide a platform for sharing information about averted incidents of violence in elementary, secondary, and higher education.”
- View the publication [here](#).

Shared Risk and Protective Factor Profile Data

- This report was created by the [Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment \(CDPHE\)](#)
- “New reports are available that summarize the findings from the 2017 and 2019 Healthy Kids Colorado Survey data using scientifically-validated and researched shared risk and protective factors (SRPF)”
- View more and access the report data [here](#).

2019 Healthy Kids Colorado Survey Data Released and video

- The Healthy Kids Colorado Survey is handled by the [Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment \(CDPHE\)](#)
- You can view the 2019 survey results [here](#).
- [Healthy Kids Colorado Survey \(HKCS\)](#) and [Colorado Healthy Schools Smart Source \(Smart Source\)](#), are Colorado's widely-administered surveys on the health and well-being of young people and school health policies and practices that support youth health.
- Data from HKCS and Smart Source are complementary and can be used together to provide a more complete picture of youth and school health.
- [Check out this video to learn more!](#)



2019 YRBS Results and Data Available Now

- This information is compiled by the [Centers for Disease Control \(CDC\)](#)
- "The [Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance System \(YRBSS\)](#) monitors six categories of health-related behaviors that contribute to the leading causes of death and disability among youth and adults".
- View more information on the system and the 2019 data [here](#).
- Colorado's version - Healthy Kids Colorado - results were released in August. Please see the announcement below for links to the Colorado data.

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

NEW Apples and Oranges: Best Practices for Online Training and Presentations

- This webinar is being presented by [the Colorado Organization for Victim Assistance \(COVA\)](#).
- **When: December 1, 2020, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm**
- **What:** "As a result of this presentation, participants will be able to:
 - Use listening, questioning, and validating skills to facilitate online learning and engagement;
 - Use various techniques to engage participants in discussions and activities;
 - Develop strategies for designing and delivering training to diverse groups of participants;
 - Discuss strategies for creating a positive learning environment for all participants.
- View more and register [here](#).

NEW Campus Safety Online Conference

- The [Campus Safety Online Summit](#) will be held on **December 1 - 2, 2020**, and is sponsored by [NAPCO Security Technologies](#), [Motorola Solutions](#), [Aware Powered by GlobaFlyte](#), [IPVideo Corporation](#), and more.
- **There is no charge for this event!**
- View more information and register [here](#).

NEW Virtual QPR Training

- This training is provided by [Partners for Children's Mental Health](#)
- **When: December 2, 2020, 12:00 pm - 1:30 pm**
- **What:** " Question, Persuade, Refer (QPR) is a gatekeeper training focused on reducing suicide behaviors by providing innovative, practical and proven suicide prevention training."
- View more information and register [here](#).

NEW Promoting Safe2Tell in COVID: Resources for Digital and In-Person Outreach

- [Safe2Tell](#) is hosting this monthly webinar so you can "See examples from other districts and obtain free resources for S2T promotion."
- **When: December 17, 2020, 11:00 am - 12:00 pm**
- Register [here](#).

NEW Virtual Training by Request

- The [Readiness and Emergency Management for Schools \(REMS\) Technical Assistance \(TA\) Center](#) is now offering “versions of live training topics that are available for request by education agencies, including state education agencies, regional education agencies, school districts, schools and institutions of higher education to assist with their professional development efforts.”
- Current training topics available:
 - Resilience Strategies for Educators: Techniques for Self-Care and Peer Support Train-the-Educator (4 hours)
 - Developing Emergency Operations Plans (EOPs) K-12 101 Train-the-Trainer (2.5 hours)
 - Developing Emergency Operations Plans (EOPs) K-12 101 Train-the-Educator (2 hours)
 - Developing Emergency Operations Plans (EOPs) IHE 101 Train-the-Educator (2 hours)
 - School Behavioral Threat Assessments: An Introduction (4 hours)
 - Conducting K-12 Site Assessments with SITE ASSESS (2.5 hours)
- You can access the training request form [here](#).
- If you have any questions you can contact Lisa Scott on her cell (951) 481-8160 or by email at LScott@remstacenter.org.



NEW Cognitive Behavioral Intervention for Trauma in Schools (CBITS)

- The [Colorado Department of Education \(CDE\)](#) is offering this **FREE** virtual [CBITS](#) training for school teams (minimum of two people) per team.
- **When: 8:30 am - 3:30 pm on the following dates:**
 - **January 28, 2021**
 - **February 11, 2021**
 - **February 25, 2021**
 - **March 11, 2021**
 - **April 8, 2021**
 - **May 27, 2021**
 - **June 10, 2021**
- Important Links and Additional Information:
 - [Registration Link](#)
 - [CBITS Flyer 2020-21](#)

Still Available at No-Cost LivingWorks Start Program

- The [Office of Suicide Prevention](#) of [CDPHE](#) is pleased to provide our partners across Colorado FREE access to the [LivingWorks Start](#) suicide prevention gatekeeper training. LivingWorks Start is a one-hour, online, interactive training program that gives you the skills and knowledge to keep family, friends, co-workers, and others safe from suicide. For more information, click [here](#).
- To access the training, click [here](#) and enter access code: OSP Gen. Please note that we have a limited number of licenses available for use available on a first come, first served basis. Please do not share the URL and access code outside of Colorado.
- *LivingWorks Start works best with Google Chrome, Firefox, or Microsoft Edge browsers.
- It is not Internet Explorer compatible. If you have any questions or issues accessing the training, please contact Dymond Ruybal at Dymond.Ruybal@state.co.us.

Using Mass Notification to Adapt to Evolving Campus Safety Challenges

- This webinar was pre recorded by [Campus Safety](#)
- “Discuss different ways campuses can use mass notifications to respond to evolving safety needs.”
- View more information [here](#).

The Winter Briefings - Virtual

- The Winter Briefings have gone virtual for 2021.
- [The I Love U Guys Foundation](#) will be hosting the virtual event, and their primary audience is “Law enforcement, school personnel, victim advocates, mental health professionals, emergency and risk managers, school safety teams and all first responders.”
- **You can view more information and register for the February 4th or July 11 event [here](#).**



OTHER COLORADO TRAININGS and EVENTS

Single Officer Response Training

- This training is provided by [The Jeffco DeAngelis Foundation](#)
- **When: December 6 - 7, 2020, 8:00 am - 5:00 pm**
- **Where: Frank DeAngelis Training Center 6625 West 45th Place, Wheat Ridge**
- **What:** “This class provides officers options to either interrupt or interdict an active shooter event. After successful completion of this course, attendees will be well versed in reading and manipulating environments, gathering and understanding information, and employing effective tactics to save lives in an active shooter incident.”
- Only sworn law enforcement officials may participate.
- **View more information and register [here](#).**



2020 National School-Based Health Care Convention - Cancelled

NATIONAL TRAININGS and EVENTS

2020 Blueprints Conference - Cancelled

CURRENT GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

NEW 2021-22 BEST Grant Notification of Intent and Grant Manager Registration

- The [Colorado Department of Education \(CDE\)](#) shared that the Notification of Intent and Grant Manager Registration for FY2021-22 is **Due November 30, 2020. You can submit that information [here](#).**
- The application will be launched on January 6, 2021.
- You can view more information on the grant [here](#).

NEW Suicide Prevention for Schools and Districts

- The [Office of Suicide Prevention](#) shared this opportunity “ to provide funding for public schools and school districts to implement crisis and suicide prevention strategies, with priority given to public schools or school districts who have not received suicide prevention training previously.”
- There will be an information session on **December 1, 2020, 12:00 pm** through this [link](#). The session will be recorded.
- You can view more information [here](#).
- **Applications are due by January 22, 2021.**

Grant Opportunity Through UpRISE

- This grant through [UpRISE](#) is for “youth-serving organizations and schools who 1) want to establish a social justice youth tobacco control coalition AND 2) are willing to work in collaboration with other

community partners to address unjust policies that contribute to the inequitable burden of tobacco use, addiction, disease, and mortality.”

- View more information and application materials through [this document](#).
- **Grant applications will be accepted on an ongoing basis until December 1, 2020.**

PDG B-5 Child Care Start-Up and Expansion Micro Grants are now available

- These grants are from the Office of Early Childhood through the [Colorado Department of Human Services \(CDHS\)](#)
- “You do not have to be a licensed child care program to receive a micro grant, but you do have to be working toward applying for a permanent child care license.”
- **View important information and documentation requirements [here](#).**
- **AVAILABLE NOW: Business Supports for Child Care Providers**
- **AVAILABLE NOW: Child Development Associate (CDA) Scholarships**

Botvin LifeSkills Training (LST) High School Program Implementation

- [The Center for the Study and Prevention of Violence \(CSPV\)](#) at the [University of Colorado Boulder](#) is offering a grant to implement the evidence-informed Botvin LifeSkills Training (LST) High School program with Colorado students in grade 9.
- The grant covers costs to implement the LST program for one year including teacher training, teacher stipends or substitute-teacher reimbursement for trainings, as well as teacher and student materials.
- **Application deadline is December 20, 2020**
- **View more information [here](#).**



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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

Youth-led Video on Suicide Prevention in Schools

- This video was created by [Partners for Children’s Mental Health](#) with the [Mental Health Youth Action Board \(YAB\)](#) at [Children’s Hospital Colorado](#)
- “Even before COVID-19, 1 in 3 Colorado high school students said they felt sad or hopeless. Now, teens need support from school staff more than ever before. We partnered with the YAB to develop a video that would drive home that message in a powerful, memorable, and authentic way.”
- View the video [here](#).

RESOURCES and INFORMATION for INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION

Follow the Colorado School Safety Resource Center on Twitter

- For the latest school safety information between monthly E-Updates, follow [@CoSSRC](#) on Twitter.
- 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/CSSRC) for the latest school safety information and upcoming trainings. **Call us at: 303-239-4435.**



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