



## March 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

### 20th Anniversary of the Columbine Tragedy:

- As you know, in April we will commemorate the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the tragedy at Columbine High School. News media professionals have already been preparing stories for the anniversary and this will create added stress for many survivors as well as others.
- The [National Association of School Psychologists](#) have prepared an excellent resource to help schools through this period. Please find the document [here](#).
- With all the school tragedies that have occurred, many parents and students worry daily about safety at school. When speaking with the media, I have asked them to **highlight the MANY EFFORTS our schools take every day to keep our students safe**.
- This is a wonderful opportunity to **remind your parents** of steps your school/district has taken to safeguard students. Your district might want to prepare a newsletter that may include information on policies, practices and programs that contribute to both physical and psychological safety throughout the year. Some highlights of recent efforts might include (list things like: new bullying prevention programs; crisis and emergency plans and teams, staff training, school climate surveys, promotion of the Safe2Tell reporting line; mandatory visitor sign-ins at the office; ID badges for staff and students; periodic trauma-sensitive practice drills for students and staff; on-going communication and collaboration with local law enforcement, fire agencies, and other community partners, new equipment, and/or parent notification systems, etc.)
- It can't hurt to remind parents that student safety is everyone's job. Safe schools are free of bullying and harassment, free of crime and violence, free of weapons and free of drugs. Research tells us that safe schools contribute to the academic achievement of our students and everyone wants our schools to be positive and caring places. Invite your parents to sit on your school or district safety team so everyone has a voice in keeping schools safe.
- [Safe2Tell](#) reminds your multidisciplinary teams to prepare for an anticipated increase in Safe2Tell tips stemming from a heightened focus on school safety as well as the loss of life from these tragic events. Should your multidisciplinary team have questions or need support from **Safe2Tell, please contact 720-508-6800**.

### MOMO Challenge/Threat

- I have had a number of contacts about this horrific challenge that some of our students have received. Attached please find information from [Suicide Voices of Education](#) (SAVE) and the [International Association of Suicide Prevention](#) (IASP) [here](#).
- Also, our colleagues at the Denver Public Schools have shared a [draft letter](#) for parents that you can edit for your schools. Thank you DPS!

Kindest regards,

*Chris Harms*

## COLORADO SCHOOL SAFETY RESOURCE CENTER TRAINING

### Building Resiliency for Suicide & Substance Abuse Prevention - Registration Now Open!

- This event is being provided in conjunction with the [Colorado Department of Education](#), [Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment \(CDPHE\)](#), and the [Colorado School Social Work Association \(CSSWA\)](#).
- **When:** Friday, March 15, 2019, 7:30 am - 3:30 pm
- **Where:** Lowry Conference Center, 1061 Akron Way, Bldg 697, Denver, CO 80230
- **What:** Keynote presentation by Jonathan Singer, PhD, LCSW, expert on family-based interventions for suicidal and cyberbullied youth. Also, Kent MacLennan, Executive Director of [Rise Above Colorado](#), will update participants on the latest substances being used by youth.
- **Workshops:** Riding the Waves: an Elementary Suicide Prevention Curriculum, Creating MOUs with Community Partners, Best Practices for Handling Marijuana in Schools, Suicide Prevention Strategies for Schools, and more.
- **Cost:** \$50/person (plus a nominal registration fee).
- View [flyer](#) and draft [agenda](#).
- Register [here](#).



### Child Sexual Abuse Prevention Conference - Registration Now 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.
- 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.
- Mark your calendars and we will share final details in the April E-Update.
- Registration is open [here](#).

## NFPA 3000 Networking and Training

- The CSSRC has teamed up with our CDPS partners the Division of Fire Prevention and Control (DFPC), the Colorado State Patrol, and the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, which includes the Colorado Information Analysis Center (CIAC). We are working together to facilitate workshops providing an overview of the NFPA 3000™ Standard for an Active Shooter/Hostile Event Response (ASHER) Program, which gives guidelines for all emergency responders in an active shooter situation.
- Participants are presented an overview of the [National Fire Protection Association's](#) (NFPA) standard followed by what **participants expressed as the most useful part of the workshop, several hours of networking and problem solving around the tenets of ASHER programming.**
- If you are interested in attending one of these free training events in 2019, please contact [Chuck.Altvater@state.co.us](mailto:Chuck.Altvater@state.co.us) in DFPC.
  - **Grand Junction:** There will be two sessions offered in Grand Junction (both are the same, just at different times)
    - **When:** Tuesday, March 19, 2019 at 1:00 PM- 4:00PM or Wednesday, March 20, 2019 from 8:00 AM - 11:00 AM
    - **Where:** Western Colorado Community College, Community Education Center, 2508 Blichmann Avenue, Grand Junction
    - For more information and to register, please [see the flyer here](#).
  - **Durango:**
    - **When:** Thursday, March 21, 2019 at 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (Please note: the flyer says 3/19 but the workshop is on Thursday, 3/21)
    - **Where:** Ft. Lewis College, Student Union Building, 1000 Rim Drive, Durango
    - For more information and to register, please [see the flyer here](#).

## COLORADO SCHOOL SAFETY RESOURCE CENTER NEWS

### School Security Disbursement (SSD) Grant (SB18-269)

On February 13, the projects awarded under the SSD grant were [announced](#). The grant review committee evaluated 95 applications that consisted of 305 individual projects. These projects ranged from fencing around a playground to sophisticated access control and surveillance equipment. The total request for the 305 individual projects was just shy of \$60 million. Therefore the grant of \$29.5 million was not able to come close to covering all the safety and security needs of Colorado schools.

It would be wonderful if the 2019 Colorado General Assembly could find funding to repeat this grant. IF the money is made available again, here are a few reminders that might help those writing the grants:

- Any type of door barricade system is NOT fire code compliant and therefore ineligible for funding. Many districts asked for funding for compliant classroom locks and these are allowed.
- There are a number of excellent threat assessment trainings and trainers available. Please note, the CSSRC has done well over 100 four-hour training for school teams in Colorado and across the country and can supply a protocol for your district's use. The Center does these trainings at **no cost** to the school and will come to you. Simply contact [Brad.stiles@state.co.us](mailto:Brad.stiles@state.co.us) or [Dustin.hunter@state.co.us](mailto:Dustin.hunter@state.co.us).
- If your interoperable communication requests were not funded with the SSD grant, the second round of the SAFER (Interoperability) grant will be released this spring. **Don't hesitate to try again!**

[Congratulations to all the grant recipients!](#)

## CURRENT EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CDE Guidance: Reporting Sexual Misconduct in Schools

To meet Safe Schools Act reporting requirements, districts and institute charter schools must report student

sexual violence as part of the School Discipline and Attendance data collection. The [Colorado Department of Education \(CDE\)](#) has released guidance on how to meet those requirements [here](#).

## 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](#).



## CSSRC ONLINE COURSE OFFERINGS & ARCHIVED PRESENTATIONS

### *Suicide Risk Factors and Warning Signs*

- This is a new 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

### **NEW** Live Webcast on Data Privacy

- Is your district following state and federal legislation regarding student data privacy?
- On Friday morning, join your peers for a live webcast with student data privacy expert and school attorney David B. Rubin, Esq. You'll earn [NASP](#)-approved CPD\* and have an opportunity to submit questions for the Q&A at the end of the session. DS009: Student Data Privacy and Security in the Digital Age
- **When: Friday, March 1, 8:00 AM**
- 1.25 hours of documented, NASP-approved CPD\*
- Learn best practices to help your district respect student privacy rights under FERPA and other federal and state legislation. This session will focus on Web-based IEPs, cloud storage, classroom apps, video and audio recording, and student tracking devices.
- This session will help participants understand the legal framework governing privacy of student data; appreciate the privacy and security risks posed by electronic collection, storage, and sharing of student data; and implement well-accepted best practices in their district.
- Presenter: David B. Rubin, Esq., represents public school districts and private schools throughout New Jersey. He is a past chair of the [National School Boards Association's](#) 3,000-member Council of School Attorneys, has headed up its data privacy working group, and has spoken and written widely on student data privacy issues.
- [Learn More or Register](#)
- Pricing (Live Webcast + 90 Days of On-Demand Access): Member: \$25, Nonmember: \$40

### **NEW** Human Trafficking and Youth with Disabilities

- This webinar is being held by the [Colorado Department of Education \(CDE\)](#).
- **When: Tuesday, March 5, 2019, 9:30 am - 11:30 am**
- **What:** “The webinar will cover Human Trafficking Basics, Additional Factors for Students with Disabilities, assisting potential victims of trafficking, and Teaching Youth with Disabilities About Human

Trafficking”

- Register [here](#). A recording will be available after the initial webinar if you register.

## **NEW** Top 10 Things You Can Do to Prevent Child Abuse

- Have you ever wondered what you can do to help prevent child abuse?
- Join the [American Society for the Positive Care of Children](#) for a free educational webinar as we discuss "Top 10 Things You Can Do To Prevent Child Abuse" with child abuse survivor, speaker, and award-winning author, Debbie Jenae.
- Debbie Jenae is a writer with a passion for inspiring others, especially survivors of abuse. She is also a child abuse survivor, speaker, and award-winning author.
- Debbie has published two books: [If Roses Were Blue](#) (2017) — an inspiring tale of courage, trust, and friendship for ages 8 and above that includes her hand-drawn illustrations, and [Be An Inspiration!](#) based on her list of [101 Things You Can Do To Prevent Child Abuse](#) (2013) — an uplifting collection of ideas and resources for survivors, caregivers, and agents of change.
- **When: Wednesday, March 6th, 2019, 10:00 AM Mountain**
- **Although the event is free, registration is required to reserve your spot.**
- Can't attend the live event? No worries! All webinars are recorded and posted in the free online [Learning Center](#).

## **OTHER COLORADO TRAININGS and EVENTS**

### **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:**
  - **March 15th - 6:00-7:30 pm**
  - **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** Reminder from the ADL

- March is approaching, which brings daylight savings, great college basketball and the DEADLINE for ADL's Student Essay Contest!!!
- **The deadline is March 15, 2019** for ADL's ***A Tribute to Moral Courage: Standing Up Against Injustice*** Student Essay Contest sponsored by the Mountain States Region of ADL. The 2019 Student Essay Contest is underway as we have received our first essays from Windsor, Colorado!!!
- Historical and current figures like Bob Marley, Syria's White Helmets, Sophie Scholl, Laverne Cox and Omar Barcia were the subject of a winning essay in past years of this essay contest. The 2019 Student Essay Contest is underway and submissions **DEADLINE IS March 15, 2019**.
- We welcome ANY 7-12<sup>th</sup> grade student from Colorado, New Mexico and Wyoming to participate in this year's essay contest. Information about the contest has been sent to every Middle and High School in each state. Please check out the details, rules & guidelines at [A Tribute to Moral Courage - Student Essay Contest](#) and pass this on to all educators and students you know!
- As a reminder, the essay contest uses the Holocaust as a backdrop, as 7th – 12th grade students are encouraged to recognize those individuals throughout history who took a strong stand on a specific





issue based on their personal beliefs or convictions, regardless of the danger or threat to their personal safety. Students are asked to not only write about how the moral courage of the person they selected has had an impact on the world, but also, and *perhaps most importantly*, how those actions have influenced their own lives today. **Winners of the contest receive a cash prize** and are publicly recognized on May 2, 2019 at [ADL's Governor's Holocaust Remembrance Program](#).

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

- This training is offered by [the National Dropout Prevention Center](#) and the [Colorado Department of Education \(CDE\)](#).
- **When: March 18 - 19, 2019**
- **Where: Shiloh Family Resource Pavilion, 9700 E. Easter Lane, Centennial, CO 80112**
- **What:** “during this training, school teams will analyze their local data and circumstances, review research-based interventions to increase all student engagement and develop locally specific plans that can be integrated with existing school improvement plans and immediately activated.”
- See the flyer [here](#).
- Register [here](#).

### **NEW** Trauma-Skilled School Training

- This training is offered by [the National Dropout Prevention Center](#) and the [Colorado Department of Education \(CDE\)](#).
- **When: March 20 - 21, 2019**
- **Where: Tesla Center, 2560 International Circle, Colorado Springs, CO 80910**
- **What:** “The Trauma-Skilled Schools Model provides knowledge and skills to help a school effectively address trauma and stress.”
- See the flyer [here](#).
- Register [here](#).

### **NEW** 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:**
  - **March 27, 2019, 11:30 am - 3:00 pm**, Canyons Community Church, 4825 Crowfoot Valley Rd, Castle Rock, CO 80108. See flyer [here](#).
  - **May 9, 2019, 11:30 am - 3:00 pm**, 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).

### **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)

## NEW Uniting to Prevent School Violence

- In recognition of the 20th anniversary of the Columbine High School shootings, this event will explore what we have learned about preventing school violence since that tragedy, 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](#).

## 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](#).

## 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 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](#).

## **CURRENT GRANT OPPORTUNITIES**



### **NEW 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).

### **NEW 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)

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

- This grant is being handled 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](#).

### **EARSS Grant Request for Proposals Available**

- This grant is being managed by the [Colorado Department of Education \(CDE\)](#).
- Key dates and deadlines:
  - Application Webinar - 2-3:30 p.m. on January 15, 2019
  - **Proposals due - March 15, 2019**
  - Awards announced - June 14, 2019
- You can access more information and the necessary forms [here](#).

### **2019-2020 School Counselor Corps Grant Program Request for Proposal (RFP)**

- This grant is being managed by the [Colorado Department of Education \(CDE\)](#).
- “The purpose of this program is to increase the availability of effective school-based counseling.”
- **Applications are due March 27, 2019.**
- View more information on the grant application and requirements [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 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](#).

### **NEW 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"](#)

### **NEW 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](#).

### **NEW 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](mailto: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](http://everfi.com/newteacher).

### NEW Statewide Youth Development Plan

- Just released, the revised plan from the [Colorado Department of Human Services](#) envisions a unified youth system where youth-serving and grant-making organizations coordinate to leverage existing data and resources to identify and strategically respond to the needs of Colorado youth.
- During the past two years, the Statewide Youth Development Plan (the Plan) leaders sought feedback from Colorado communities to create recommendations and action steps for the Plan. The Plan presents a vision for a strong youth system, best practices, recommendations, action steps, and a report on the 2016 Plan.
- For More About the Statewide Youth Development Plan click [here](#).

### Back to School - Food Safety

- This information is provided by [FoodSafety.Gov](#).
- "To make sure lunches and snacks are safe for those you pack for, you should follow the four steps to food safety: Clean – Separate – Cook – and Chill."
- You can access this information for your reference or to share [here](#).

### School EOPs In-Depth: Developing a Food Contamination Annex



- This training is provided by the [Readiness and Emergency Management for Schools \(REMS\) Technical Assistance Center](#).
- The course has 4 modules that must be completed in order and takes approximately 30-45 minutes.
- The course "has been designed to help you learn how to incorporate food safety planning into a school emergency operations plan (EOP)."
- You can view more information and take the course [here](#).

### Second Chance: Free, Online, Interactive Alternative to Suspension Education Program

- Colorado youth are vaping at twice the national average. [Second Chance](#), funded by the [Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment's State Tobacco Education and Prevention Partnership](#), is a **free, online, interactive alternative to suspension** education program for middle and high school youth who violate tobacco policy at school.
- On February 1, 2019, Second Chance was **updated to address vaping and other nicotine products**. School districts, schools, youth-serving organizations, and juvenile justice systems can implement Second Chance as part of a comprehensive education and prevention strategy.
- View more information [here](#).



### School Safety Technology Report

- This report was completed by the [Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory](#) and shared by the [National Association of School Psychologists \(NASP\)](#).
- The report “examines school safety technologies, how they are used, how those technologies were chosen, and how well they are working.”
- You can view the report [here](#).

### A Study of Youth Suicide in Four Colorado Counties

- This study was released by [The Colorado Office of the Attorney General](#) and [Health Management Associates \(HMA\)](#).
- “In December 2017, the Colorado Office of the Attorney General, Office of Community Engagement, hired Health Management Associates (HMA) to study four counties in the state (El Paso, Pueblo, Mesa, La Plata) which had experienced recent suicide clusters among middle and high school-aged youth and had historically high rates of suicide across every age group.”
- You can access the full study released [here](#).

### From a Nation at Risk to a Nation at Hope

- [The National Commission on Social, Emotional, and Academic Development](#) released a major national report.
- This report is “calling on all sectors of society to accelerate efforts to ensure that all U.S. students have access to quality social and emotional learning (SEL).”
- View the full report [here](#).

## 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.
- **Registration is open [here](#).**

### **NEW** Webinar: Reunification Planning

- On **March 19th at 2 PM ET**, [Campus Public Safety Online](#) welcomes Allen Clark (PDF), executive director of preparedness and security initiatives at Arizona State University (ASU), to present *Reunification Planning: The Next Step*.
- Allen will discuss why ASU developed a model reunification plan and how others can incorporate it into their own incident command structure.
- Reunification planning is a multi-level, multidisciplinary process. This webinar is appropriate for those working in senior campus administration, campus safety and security, emergency management, law enforcement, threat assessment, residential life, and student conduct & affairs.
- For more information and to register, please visit their [website](#).

### **NEW** Community Healthcare Planning and Response to Disasters - MGT409

- This training is offered by the [Auraria Higher Education Center](#).
- **When: March 25-26, 2019**
- **Where: Auraria Higher Education Center, (Auraria Campus), Tivoli Student Union–Room 250 (Tivoli Turnhalle) 900 Auraria Parkway, Denver, CO 80204**

- **What:** “This course provides comprehensive planning tools to mitigate impacts on communities during large-scale incidents, and also examines the need for collaboration among responders in a community-wide disaster response.”
- View the [flyer](#) for prerequisites and Pre-Course Training Recommendations.
- Register [here](#).

## **NEW** Emergency Response to Domestic Biological Incidents

- This training is offered by the [National Center for Biomedical Research and Training, NCBRT](#).
- **When: March 28-29, 2019**
- **Where: Auraria Higher Education Center, (Auraria Campus), Tivoli Student Union–Room 250 (Tivoli Turnhalle) 900 Auraria Parkway, Denver, CO 80204**
- **What:** “This course is designed to help participants safely and effectively respond to a biological incident by using an integrated approach.”
- View the [flyer](#) for prerequisites and more information on the training.
- Register [here](#).

## Study: Sexual Assault Cases Continue to Pose Challenges for Police

- This study comes from the [Associated Press](#).
- The study states “the ‘clearance rate’ for rape cases has fallen to its lowest point since the 1960s.”
- You can access the study and information on how they say you can assist [here](#).

## OVW Fiscal Year 2019 Grants to Reduce Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, and Stalking on Campus Program Solicitation



- The grant is being managed by the [United States Department of Justice](#).
- Applications are due by **February 7, 2019, 11:59 pm**.
- “Eligible applicants are limited to: private nonprofit organizations for which the primary purpose of the organization as a whole is to provide culturally specific services to American Indians (including Alaska Natives, Eskimos, and Aleuts), Asian Americans, Native Hawaiians and other Pacific Islanders, Blacks, or Hispanics.”
- View more information [here](#).

## Med Tac Training Program

- “The [Medical Tactical Certificate Program](#) (video), known as Med Tac, is an advanced first aid training and certification platform that focuses on bystander response to the most common causes of preventable death in the first few minutes before trained first responders arrive.”
- You can access more information on Med Tac [here](#).
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## VA Campus Toolkit

- This toolkit is provided by the [U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs \(VA\)](#).
- “The aim is to help campuses welcome student veterans by recognizing who they are, and understanding their unique experiences, adjustments, and needs.”
- You can access the toolkit [here](#).

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