

**COLORADO** School Safety Resource Center Department of Public Safety

## Threat Assessment and/or Suicide Intervention Overview

The CSSRC has hosted these trainings at other sites across the state and would be more than happy to bring either or both of these trainings to your school or district at no cost.

## Threat Assessment in Schools: Best Practices

A well-trained threat assessment team--administrator, mental health professional and law enforcement professional--is a vital part of a comprehensive safe schools' effort particularly in light of the 2015 Claire Davis School Safety Act.

This is a four-hour training that includes the rationale behind threat assessment, the research of the U.S. Secret Service and procedures for conducting a TA at a school. A best practice protocol can be provided for districts that do not have currently have a protocol. Time is also devoted to scenario discussions.

The training is provided by the CSSRC's Emergency Response and School Outreach

Consultants who are also available to review the district's protocol.

## **Overview of School Suicide Prevention & Intervention**

In the 2017 Healthy Kids Colorado Survey, 17% of Colorado high school students, and 18.8% of



middle school students, reported that they had thought about killing themselves within the past 12 months. 13.1% of high school students also said they had thought about a suicide plan in the past year, along with 12.6% of middle school students. The number and rate of youth suicides in Colorado continue to rise. This workshop will present an overview of the essential elements for a school's comprehensive suicide strategy, including prevention, intervention, and postvention recommendations. Guidance from our 2018 best practices working group and sample tools will be shared. This training is provided by CSSRC's School Outreach Consultant.

Please contact the Colorado School Safety Resource Center at 303-239-4435 or CDPS\_School\_Safety\_Center@state.co.us for more information or to schedule a training.