

COLORADO School Safety Resource Center Department of Public Safety

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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 you all enjoy the rest of your much-deserved summer break!

- As school reopens on the heels of the Uvalde tragedy, I continue to field questions from parents asking, "How safe are our Colorado schools?" I do my best to reassure parents that Colorado schools work hard everyday on safety issues. I tell them about security policies that require all outside doors to be locked and locked classroom doors as well as practicing drills, having trained threat assessment teams and all the SEL efforts.
- I urge you to address safety issues with your students, parents and community. Remind them of all the precautions you are taking to safeguard everyone and address their concerns. This isn't a time to be humble about all the hard work you are doing. They need reassurance.
- If you are wondering what parents and students fear, this new study gives us all a good idea of their thinking. It also affords us an opportunity to consider the additional efforts we may need to take. <u>State of School Safety Report</u>
- CSSRC staff attended and presented at national conferences this summer.

Dr. Ron Lee (second from left) and Kati Garner (far right) on a panel discussing student mental health at the Campus Safety Conference, Texas.



- We have a number of exciting regional training opportunities planned for this school year. **Please** see the training information below.
- 2022 School Safety Legislation that you will want to be aware of:
 - HB22-1106 Concealed handguns on school grounds Lost
 - HB22-1120 School Security Disbursement Grants Signed for \$6M (We will send a notice to superintendents and post the application when it is available.)
 - HB22-1131 Age change for incarceration Task Force created/Bill Signed
 - HB22 1240 Mandated Reporters Task Force created/Bill Signed

- HB22-1274 School Safety Working Group Bill Signed
- SB22-085 Bus safety Lost

We wish you all a safe and successful academic year. Please contact us if we can be of assistance. Kindest regards,

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COLORADO SAFETY RESOURCE CENTER TRAINING

CSSRC Virtual Trainings Updated Schedule

- Virtual workshops will resume in mid-August.
- Please see the training calendar for upcoming sessions in August and September.

October Safe Schools Summit: REGISTRATION is OPEN!

- The Safe Schools Summit will be held on *October 20th & 21st*. The annual Safe Schools Summit will be held in-person for **Day One** at the Adams 12 Conference Center and streamed for those not able to come.
- **Day Two** all the workshops will be held virtually, so everyone can participate. We will have five workshop sessions so you won't want to miss these offerings. We have finalized the workshops and you can view them on the agenda below.
- Our plenary sessions:
 - Ben Cort Marijuana and Youth
 - Anna Mueller Results of Suicide Prevention Research
 - TBD
 - John Nicoletti De-escalation
- <u>View the At a Glance Agenda here</u> a more detailed one will be released later.
- Registration:
 - We are doing registration a bit differently this year as we are offering both in-person and virtual on the first day. The second day will be all virtual.
 - For Day One you must choose in-person or virtual. You cannot choose both as we need an accurate count for catering purposes. If you register in-person, and later change your mind, you will need to notify <u>Melissa.rubeo@state.co.us</u> so we can cancel your breakfast and lunch and send you the virtual link.
 - To register: Please email <u>Melissa.Rubeo@state.co.us</u> with the following:
 - Your name, phone number and email
 - Whether you would like to attend Day One in-person or virtually (choose one)
 - Whether you would like to attend Day Two (virtual ONLY)
 - If you have dietary restrictions for Day One in-person
 - If you require any accommodations such as ASL interpretation (Sign Language), a language other than English, please request that at least two weeks in advance so that we might make those arrangements. For an accommodation, email: lsaac.Baah@state.co.us

November Youth Suicide Prevention Symposium: Registration is OPEN

- The Symposium will take place on **Tuesday, November, 15th** at the Lowry Conference Center, 1061 Akron Way building 697, Denver, CO 80230 and will also be live-streamed.
- The CSSRC keynoters for this event have been confirmed. They include the following:
 - \circ Suicide among students of color Ron Lee, Psy.D., CSSRC
 - Muslim youth and suicide risk Rania Awaad, Ph.D., Stanford University

- Sleep hygeine and suicide Tina Goldstein, Ph.D., University of Pittsburgh
- Assessing suicide in young children Dr. Jeff Bridge, Ph.D., Nationwide Children's Hospital
- Adoptees and suicide Lina Vanegas, InterCountry Adoptee Voices
- Draft agenda attached <u>here</u>.
- Register <u>here</u> for in-person registration.

Student/Staff Summits: SAVE THE DATES

- Colorado Springs
 - Tuesday, November 29th
 - Pikes Peak BOCES
- La Junta
 - Thursday, December 1st
 - Otera College
- Hayden
 - Thursday, December 8th
 - Yampa Regional Airport

What is a Student/Staff Summit?

- Our youth council will be planning the day to include a plenary as well as workshops on topics chosen by our youth advisors.
- Schools are invited to bring teams of 6 middle or high school students with a faculty member. If you want to bring more than three teams, just let us know so we can tell you if we can accommodate more than 21 students and staff from any one school.
- There is no charge for the day and lunch will be provided. You will need to register your team when we get closer.
- You will have to arrange transportation but we design the day around usual bus schedules with a 10:00 2:00 agenda
- Registration information and the day's agenda will be available on future E-Updates.

Western Colorado School Safety Symposium SAVE THE DATE

- We will be heading out to the Western slope to bring a one-day event of school safety experts.
- Wednesday, December 7th
- Colorado Mesa University, Grand Junction
- We are still finalizing the presenters and agenda.
- Watch for more details in the next E-Update.

January Speakers' Series SAVE THE DATES

- Back by popular demand, we will be hosting three Tuesday lunchtime speakers from 11:30 12:30
- We will also be recording their presentations for later viewing
- The dates are Tuesdays on January 10th, 17th and 24th.
- More information will be available in future E-Updates as plenary speakers are confirmed.

San Luis Valley Safety Symposium - SAVE THE DATE

- We will be heading down to the San Luis Valley to bring a one-day event of school safety experts.
- Thursday, January 26th
- Adams State College
- More details to follow in the next E-Update.

Child Sexual Abuse Prevention Symposia - SAVE THE DATES

- Pueblo
 - Wednesday, February 8th
 - Location: TBD

- South Denver or Douglas County
 - Friday, February 10th
 - Location: TBD

CSSRC STOP Grant: Threat Assessment Training & Implementation Last Chance!

- The CSSRC is recruiting the final schools for threat assessment training and implementation under the grant. (Don't worry, we will always continue to provide threat assessment training.)
- 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.
- The summer will be the final opportunity to pay staff stipends for the training.
- Staff can be paid stipends for the training and data collection under the grant if training is conducted outside of regular working hours.
- If your school is interested in being one of the 30 sites, below is more information.
 - <u>Application</u> (clicking the link will create the download)
 - Application Letter
 - <u>MOU</u>
- Please complete the application and return it to <u>Christine.harms@state.co.us</u> or call Chris if you have any questions. (303.912.6915). We are now scheduling for Winter and Spring.

CSSRC ONLINE COURSE OFFERINGS & ARCHIVED PRESENTATIONS CSSRC online course links:

- August and September courses are listed.
- Link to CSSRC online course offerings

CURRENT EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEW Healthy Kids Colorado Survey Results

- "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!"
- Find the dashboard <u>here.</u>
- Please share this with your colleagues: Sign up for the Healthy Kids Colorado Survey and Smart Source newsletter <u>here</u>.
- <u>Link to a recent presentation</u> with 2021 HKCS results on youth marijuana use.

NEW Participants Needed For a Research Study to Identify Components of Trauma-Informed Lockdown Drills - <mark>School Safety Professionals Please Read</mark>

- "<u>The University of Northern Colorado</u> is conducting a research study to identify components of trauma-informed lockdown drills to improve current crisis prevention strategies to promote student wellness."
- "This study has been approved by the University of Northern Colorado IRB (IRB# 2205039462)."
- "The survey will take 10-15 minutes to complete. Interested participants must:
 - Be at least 18 years old to consent to participate
 - Be currently employed at a school/school district in Colorado
 - Have expertise in crisis prevention/crisis response
 - Fluent in English"
- Access the survey <u>here.</u>

REMINDER Naloxone Bulk Purchase Fund Opportunity

- The <u>Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE)</u> shared "<u>Colorado Senate Bill</u> <u>19-227</u> created the Opiate Antagonist - Naloxone Bulk Purchase Fund. It allows eligible entities (**including schools**) to purchase opiate antagonists, such as naloxone or Narcan, at low or no cost."
- Public schools are eligible through their district only.
- Private and charter schools are also eligible and must have developed a policy that is approved by their governing body, whatever form the governing body takes.
- View more information <u>here.</u>

NEW Encompass Program

- <u>The Department of Psychiatry at the University of Colorado School of Medicine</u> has a new program called Encompass.
- "What is Encompass?
 - Encompass is an evidence-based treatment for adolescents and young adults with substance use and mental health difficulties
 - Encompass is a good fit for adolescents and young adults who have co-occurring substance use, PTSD and other mental health issues, and who have the ability to participate in weekly talk therapy
 - Encompass was developed by Dr. Paula Riggs and her clinical research team at the University of Colorado School of Medicine
 - Encompass' integrated treatment approach is based on the results of two controlled clinical trials
 - Encompass Treatment Components Include:
 - Treatment of co-occurring conditions such as depression, anxiety disorders, PTSD, anger, loss, and other mental health difficulties
 - Comprehensive clinical and diagnostic evaluation
 - Cognitive Behavior Therapy (CBT), Motivational Enhancement Therapy (MET)
 - 12-17 weekly sessions; may include some family sessions
 - Medication management if clinically indicated
 - Valid repeated measures to track clinical progress and treatment response
 - In person or virtual sessions available
 - Medicaid and private insurance accepted. Please call the clinic at 303-724-1000 for current treatment fees"
- View the brochure <u>here</u>
- View the referral form <u>here</u>
- For more information about the Encompass Program, contact Dr. Paula Riggs at 303-724-2235 or paula.riggs@cuanschutz.edu
- To schedule a clinic appointment please contact Mardi Chambers at mardi.chambers@cuanschutz.edu or 720-289-5766.

NEW 2022-2023 Colorado School Mental Health Community of Practice

- <u>The Partners for Children's Mental Health (PCMH)</u>, <u>Colorado School Safety Resource Center (CSSRC)</u>, <u>Colorado Behavioral Health Administration (CBHA)</u>, <u>Mental Health Colorado</u>, and <u>Finding Hope</u> are hosting the Community of Practice the third Wednesday of each month from September 2022 - May 2023.
- See the flyer for more information and how to participate <u>here</u>.

NEW National Threat Evaluation and Reporting (NTER) Office Website Update

• <u>The National Threat Evaluation and Reporting (NTER) Office</u> has updated their external facing website: <u>www.dhs.gov/nter</u>

 "The purpose of updating our website is to ensure that information regarding our office and its two lines of effort – the Nationwide Suspicious Activity Reporting Initiative (NSI) and Behavioral Threat Assessment Integration – is readily available to you, our partners!"

Colorado Preventing Targeted Violence Program

- <u>The Colorado Information and Analysis Center (CIAC)</u> has launched their new public webpage.
- "The Colorado Preventing Targeted Violence (CO-PTV) Program is a multidisciplinary whole-of-state public health-informed approach to preventing all forms of targeted violence within the state."
- View the webpage <u>here</u>.

Trevor Project's 2022 National Survey on LGBTQ Youth Mental Health

- "<u>The Trevor Project</u>'s 2022 National Survey on LGBTQ Youth Mental Health demonstrates that rates of suicidal thoughts have trended upward among LGBTQ young people over the last three years, making the need for educators and mental healthcare professionals to be aware of this community's experience all the more important."
- "Capturing the experiences of nearly 34,000 LGBTQ youth ages 13 to 24 across the United States, with 45% of respondents being LGBTQ youth of color and 48% being transgender or nonbinary, the Trevor Project's fourth annual national survey is one of the most diverse surveys of LGBTQ youth ever conducted."
- "As you review this information, please keep in mind the words of Dr. Myeshia Price (she/her or they/them), Senior Research Scientist from The Trevor Project, which cautions against regarding this vibrant community through the lens of a deficit perspective: 'Although our data continue to show high rates of mental health and suicide risk among LGBTQ young people, it is crucial to note that these rates vary widely based on the way LGBTQ youth are treated.'"
- View the survey <u>here.</u>

I Matter Program Extension

- The <u>I Matter</u> Program has received a funding extension through June 2023.
- "The I Matter program can connect you with a therapist for up to **6 free virtual counseling sessions** (some in-person appointments available, too) that are completely confidential."
- View more information on the extension of funding with the press release <u>here</u>.
- Access the online order form for FREE materials <u>here</u>.

2022-2023 No Place for Hate Registration

- The <u>Anti-Defamation League (ADL)</u> has opened their 2022-2023 No Place for Hate Registration site.
- Useful information:
 - Frequently Asked Questions which contains the fee structure
 - How to Become a No Place for Hate School contains the required steps a school must complete within a school year
 - <u>Training and Workshops</u> describes training and workshops are optional and discounted for NPFH schools
- Register <u>here.</u>

Pilot Offering of E0362 Train-the-Trainer for L0360

- <u>FEMA</u> is accepting applications for their Pilot Offering of E0362 Train-the-Trainer for L0360 (Preparing for Emergencies: What School Staff Need to Know) and L0361 (Multi-Hazard Emergency Planning for Schools
- When: September 19 22, 2022
- Where: Emergency Management Institute (EMI) National Emergency Training Center (NETC), Emmitsburg, Maryland
- What: "The purpose of the Train-the-Trainer is to provide a sound and consistent basis for training

instructors to teach L0360, Preparing for Emergencies: What School Staff Need to Know, and L0361, Multi-Hazard Emergency Planning for Schools; to understand the course materials, activities, and best practices on how to customize the courses according to venue-specific circumstances; and to ensure it is appropriate for the designated jurisdiction."

- View more information <u>here</u>.
- Apply <u>here</u>.

OTHER COLORADO TRAININGS and EVENTS

NEW Digital Threat Assessment[®] Training

- The <u>Colorado School District Self Insurance Pool (CSDSIP)</u> is partnering with <u>Safer Schools Together</u> (<u>SST</u>) to offer this valuable training in person.
- When: September 21, 2022, 8:30 am 3:30 pm
- Where: The Conference Center at RidgeGate 9878 Schwab Way Suite 401, Lone Tree, CO 80124
- What: "The quality and therefore value of any threat assessment depends greatly on the range and depth of information available to the threat assessment team. Even the most highly trained team will struggle to make well-informed decisions without data and facts."
- "Digital Threat Assessment[®] teaches participants to establish a Digital Behavioral Baseline through a School Safety/Threat Assessment lens. By engaging with popular social media applications, you will learn how to find and document worrisome digital media content originating from your school community. This training solidifies your understanding of how to effectively use DTA as a critical part of any modern-day Threat Assessment."
- "At this training you will learn:
 - To apply the principles of Behavioral Threat Assessment to DTA
 - To identify the digital behavioral baseline of individuals on the pathway to violence
 - \circ $\;$ To assess the language of online threat-related behavior
 - Searching within commonly used platforms such as, Instagram, TikTok and Snapchat
 - Effectively gather public social media data with geolocation relevance
 - Best practices for online navigation and ensuring privacy safeguards
 - \circ $\;$ To use law enforcement guides to request user identifying information
 - To crowdsource localized and time relevant social media posts from your school and area
 - To identify concerning trends and create awareness to ensure safety and mental wellbeing
 - And much more!
- Suggested Audience: District/School Administrators, Mental Health Specialists, Security Personnel, and Law Enforcement.
- Register at: <u>www.csdsip.org/register</u>

NEW Analysis of the STEM School Tragedy & More

- The <u>Colorado School District Self Insurance Pool (CSDSIP)</u> is hosting this in person meeting "October is School Safety Awareness Month. Join us to discuss hot topics such as, Analysis of STEM School Tragedy, Fentanyl in Schools, Child Sexual Abuse Prevention and Mental Health!"
- When: October 4, 2022
- Where: Conference Center at Ridgegate 9878 Schwab Way Suite 401, Lone Tree, CO 80124
- Register <u>here</u>.

Targeted Violence and Radicalization Prevention Grant Training

- <u>Nicoletti-Flater Associates (NFA)</u> in partnership with the <u>Frank DeAngelis Center (FDC)</u> received a targeted violence and radicalization prevention grant from the <u>Department of Homeland Security</u> (<u>DHS</u>). The DHS Grant allows NFA and DHS to provide detection and disruption training at no cost to Colorado based K-12 schools and college and universities campuses.
- The training is composed of four training modules designed to move the teams from detection of targeted violence progression and radicalization to disruption through the use of countermeasures.

The no cost training is designed for Threat Assessment teams, Threat Management teams, Care teams, and BITs.

- The training is 16 hours in length and scheduled to be provided in two 8 hour days.
- Interested agencies can contact John Nicoletti at jpsych46@aol.com or call 720-219-3743 with questions or to sign up.

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

Sources of Strength Train-the-Trainer

- "<u>The Office of Suicide Prevention</u>, in conjunction with the <u>Colorado Attorney General's Office</u>, is hosting this Sources of Strength Train-the-Trainer webinar."
- When: August 1 4, 2022
- View more information and apply <u>here</u>.

PREPaRE Third Edition Core Workshops

- <u>The National Association of School Psychologists (NASP)</u> is offering these workshops virtually.
- When:
 - Workshop 1: Comprehensive School Safety Planning: Prevention Through Recovery August 8, 2022, 10:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m. EST
 - Workshop 2: Mental Health Crisis Interventions: Responding to an Acute Traumatic Stressor in Schools August 11 and 12, 2022, 10:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m. EST
- View more detailed descriptions and register here.

NEW Question, Persuade, Refer (QPR) Trainings

- The <u>Partners for Children's Mental Health (PCMH)</u> is hosting this training at no cost. "Question, Persuade, Refer (QPR) is a gatekeeper course focused on reducing suicidal behaviors by providing innovative, practical and proven suicide prevention training."
- When:
 - August 10, 2022, 12:00 pm 1:30 pm
 - August 26, 2022, 9:00 am 10:30 am
- View more information and register by clicking on the date above.

NEW Developing School Protocols: Intervening With Students Experiencing Thoughts Of Suicide

- The <u>Partners for Children's Mental Health (PCMH)</u> is hosting this "two part series on practice guidelines and practical suggestions for school districts looking to develop or improve protocols and policies to support students experiencing thoughts of suicide."
- When:
 - September 9, 2022, 8:30 am 10:00 am
 - September 16, 2022, 8:30 am 10:00 am
- View more and register as an individual or a group <u>here.</u>

NEW K-12 Institute for Advancing School Equity, Safety, and Wellness

- The Association for Title IX Administrators (ATIXA) will be hosting this institute
- When: The second Friday of each month from September 2022 May 2023
- What: "From understanding foundational legal principles, learning how to obtain buy-in for your work, discussing self-care practices, the K-12 Institute will help K-12 leaders understand and implement equity, safety, and wellness programs within K-12 schools and districts."
- View more information and register here.

Frontline Perspectives on the American Opioid Crisis. An open discussion about challenges and solutions

• The Suicide Prevention Coalition of Colorado (SPCC) is holding this webinar that "will be featuring

Swedish Medical Center's Dr. Don Stader, who will present his research and 'in the trenches' perspective on America's Opioid Crisis."

- When: September 20, 2022, 11:00 am 12:00 pm
- View more information and register <u>here</u>.

NEW Developing School Protocols: Support After A Suicide Loss

- The <u>Partners for Children's Mental Health (PCMH)</u> is hosting this "two-part series on best practice guidelines and practical suggestions for school districts looking to develop or improve postvention protocols and policies."
- When:
 - September 23, 2022, 8:30 am 10:00 am
 - September 30, 2022 8:30 am 10:00 am
- View more information and register as an individual or group <u>here</u>.

NEW Utilizing DBT Skills With Youth

- The <u>Partners for Children's Mental Health (PCMH)</u> is hosting this "5 part course that will help participants learn how to use skills from Dialectical Behavioral Therapy with youth and in their personal lives."
- When:
 - October 7, 2022, 11:30 am 1:00 pm
 - \circ $\,$ October 14, 2022, 11:30 am 1:00 pm $\,$
 - October 21, 2022, 11:30 am 1:00 pm
 - October 28, 2022, 11:30 am 1:00 pm
 - November 4, 2022, 11:30 am 1:00 pm
- View more information and register as an individual or group <u>here</u>.

2022 National Summit on K-12 School Safety and Security SAVE THE DATE

- The <u>Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA)</u> is holding a "two-day virtual event will convene school safety experts, practitioners, and leaders from across the country to discuss current threats in school safety and explore research-informed strategies for addressing security challenges and risks in K-12 schools."
- When: November 1 2, 2022
- View more information <u>here</u>.
- Registration will open in August and we will share the link in the August E-Update.

CURRENT GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

NEW Title V Sexual Risk Avoidance Education Subgrant Application Available

- <u>The Colorado Department of Education (CDE)</u> has shared this grant opportunity
- "The Title V Sexual Risk Avoidance Education subgrant program was created for Community-Based Organizations to apply for funding to provide out-of-school time programming that supports Colorado youth in developing and navigating healthy relationships and in making decisions that result in reduced rates of teen pregnancy and sexually transmitted infections."
- Colorado-based Community-Based Organizations that currently (or plan to) provide Out-of-School Time program(s) to youth are eligible to apply for this funding opportunity. School districts and schools are ineligible to apply (CO HB19-1032).
- Intention to apply is due August 10, 2022, and applications are due August 17, 2022.
- View more information and apply <u>here.</u>

NEW Virtual Grant Writing Training

• <u>The Community Resource Center (CRC)</u>, with support from <u>Tony Grampsas Youth Services Program</u> (<u>TGYS</u>) " is offering four free, two-part virtual grant writing training for TGYS grantees, prospective applicants and community partners."

- "Get Grants This training will cover topics including:
 - Grant funding context in the fundraising plan
 - Research and grants management
 - Review the key elements of winning grant proposals
 - Deep dive into goals, objectives, and activities
 - A general overview of attachments"
 - August 24 & 26, 2022, 9:00am 12:00pm Register using link below https://events.blackthorn.io/1aHNXd6/5a3K6T1CeeB
 - October 5 & 7, 2022, 9:00am 12:00pm Register using link below https://events.blackthorn.io/1aHNXd6/5a3K6T1CfYs
- "Get Government Grants This training will cover topics including:
 - The culture of government grant funding (local, state and national levels) what makes them different from foundation grants?
 - Local, State and Federal level government grants how are they similar and different? How to determine which is right for you?
 - How do you find government grants at each level?
 - Steps to Determine Eligibility Are government grants right for you? How to determine if you can administer a government grant do you have the capacity?
 - Process for applying for and administering government grants (local, state and federal levels).
 - August 16 & 18, 2022, 9:00am 12:00pm Register using link below https://events.blackthorn.io/1aHNXd6/5a3K6T1Cedr
 - September 7 & 9, 2022, 9:00am 12:00pm Register using link below https://events.blackthorn.io/1aHNXd6/5a3K6T1CeeG

Upcoming CSRTS Grant Application Period

- The <u>Colorado Safe Routes to School (CSRTS</u>) Advisory Committee is working on finalizing timeframes for the upcoming grant period.
- Until then, you can add this Q & A Google Meet session on August 23, 2022, from 10 11:30 am to your calendar.
- "This is an excellent opportunity to get a thorough overview of our grant application requirements and have your questions answered."
- Information on the grant and a sign up for the Q & A will be available in our August E-Update.

Nourish Colorado Grants Available

• <u>Nourish Colorado</u> formerly LiveWell Colorado has changed quite a bit and we encourage you to view the new program and information <u>here</u>.

RESOURCES and INFORMATION for Pre K-12 SCHOOLS

NEW SchoolSafety.gov Features and Tools

- School personnel can use the site to prioritize school safety actions, connect with state-specific and local school safety officials, discover grants and funding opportunities, and find applicable resources, guidance, and evidence-based practices to create a comprehensive and holistic school safety program.
- <u>Grants Finder Tool</u>: Supports schools and districts in more easily locating and determining the applicability of Federal funding opportunities to keep school communities safe
- <u>Safety Readiness Tool</u>: Assists users in evaluating their respective school's safety posture across ten elements and provides a personalized action plan with options for consideration
- <u>State Information Sharing Tool</u>: Enables schools to locate and access state-specific school safety programs, contacts, and opportunities

- <u>Resource Library</u>: Provides actionable resources, guidance, training, and fact sheets that can be filtered by audience, intended application, topic, and more
- <u>Calendar of Events</u>: Features upcoming webinars, training sessions, and conferences for school safety personnel, administrators, educators, and parents

NEW Tips for Parents, Caregivers and Trusted Adults Homecoming Season

- <u>One Chance to Grow Up</u> has compiled and shared tips for Parents, Caregivers and Trusted Adults for Homecoming Season.
- Access the resource in English <u>here</u> and Spanish <u>here</u>.

NEW 2022 State of School Safety Report

- Safe and Sound Schools has completed and shared their 2022 State of School Safety Report.
- "This fifth annual report highlights safety issues important to all stakeholders and identifies areas where further exploration, education, and conversations are needed. Schools and local communities are encouraged to use these findings to drive the important – and sometimes difficult – conversations necessary to address the myriad of issues impacting the safety and security of our school communities."
- View the report and more information <u>here</u>.

NEW Take Action to Prevent Underage Alcohol Use

- <u>The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)</u> has shared this resource stating: "This data visualization illustrates the steady decline of alcohol use amongst adolescents, informing parents/guardians and communities that taking action against underage drinking is effective."
- View the resource <u>here.</u>

NEW Comprehensive Human Sexuality Education Videos

- The <u>Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) Comprehensive Human</u> <u>Sexuality Education (CHSE) program</u> "is excited to share videos featuring Colorado community members sharing their experiences bringing Comprehensive Human Sexuality Education to their schools. Hear directly from students, parents, teachers, administrators, and other experts."
- "We encourage you to use these to support community conversations around CHSE, help to provide information about what this education includes, and share more on how schools across Colorado can access resources for this work. Visit cdphe.colorado.gov/CHSE for more information and other resources available to support these efforts!
 - <u>Rural Voices on CHSE</u> This video features representatives from rural school districts.
 - Urban Voices on CHSE This video features representatives from urban school districts."

Reminder Naloxone Bulk Purchase Fund Opportunity

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School Policing Programs: Where We Have Been and Where We Need To Go Next

• The <u>National Institute of Justice (NIJ)</u> has released a new publication - "NIJ engaged two consultants to conduct a comprehensive literature review and examination of data sources, facilitate four days of

expert panel discussions, and synthesize the results from these data collection efforts."

• View the publication <u>here</u>.

CSSRC Crisis Response Guidelines for K-12 Schools and Institutions of Higher Education (IHEs)

- Based on lessons learned from previous traumatic events in Colorado schools and across the country, this addition to your EOPs will help schools before, during and after a critical incident.
- A Working Group of 28 stakeholders from K-12 districts, Colorado colleges and universities and state agencies pulled together this information over a short period of time. We appreciate their hard work!
- Not only is there valuable information to help with a tragic event, but the Guidelines include links to helpful documents to assist your schools in responding. Please take a look.
- The CSSRC staff are available for workshops to review the Guidelines with your school safety teams.
- For further information, please contact Ron Lee, Psy.D., at <u>ron.lee@state.co.us</u> or 720-498-9645.
- You can access the guidelines <u>here</u>.

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