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## July 2024

**E-UPDATE FROM THE COLORADO OFFICE OF SCHOOL SAFETY** ~ You are receiving this email as a subscriber of the Office of School Safety listserv. E-Updates from the OSS contain the most current information about the Office'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 [oss.colorado.gov](https://oss.colorado.gov).**

### THE DIRECTOR'S CORNER

- ★ The Office of School Safety (OSS) has an exciting training opportunity for school safety teams in the metro Denver area. On **August 27th and 28th** the OSS will be partnering with the [National Association of School Resource Officers](#) and [Aurora Public Schools](#) to provide [Project Unite training](#). This training provides instruction on:
  - (1) positive school culture and climate
  - (2) bystander reporting and response
  - (3) information sharing, and
  - (4) behavioral threat and suicide assessment and management with best practices for implementation.

Modules include group discussions and team exercises to assist multidisciplinary school safety teams as they assess their current school safety systems and identify gaps and areas for improvement. Time is allotted for school safety teams to develop a violence prevention action plan in support of safety for their school.

If your team has attended any of CDE's summer *Enhancing School Safety Regional Training: Integrating Prevention and School Climate Improvement Efforts*, this two-day workshop would be a great next step for enhancing the work of your school safety teams. But others are encouraged to attend too.

- **When:** Tuesday and Wednesday, August 27th and 28th
- **Where:** Pickens Technical College, 500 Airport Boulevard, Aurora, CO 80011. Building B, Crested Butte Conference Room
- **Cost:** Grant funding covers all costs
- **Registration:** [Please use this link to register with NASRO](#)
- For additional information please call me: Chris Harms 303-912-6915

- ★ The 2023 **Healthy Kids Colorado Survey** data has been released. Please see the [survey results here](#).
- ★ Rebekah Ottenbreit at CDE has great resources for the new **Title IX regulations**. [Please find links to those resources in this slide show](#).

*Kindest regards,*

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## UPDATES FROM THE GRANTS UNIT

### SSD Grant

- Check out our website for the [SSD Grant Management Guide](#)
- Fully Executed agreements and disbursement have begun to go out, all disbursements were sent by June 30, 2024.

### SAFER Grant-Congratulations are in Order!

- The State of Colorado's legislature allocated \$4,850,000 for the [Fiscal Year 2025 School Access for Emergency Response Grant Program](#). The Colorado Office of School Safety received 20 eligible grant applications for a total requested amount of \$10,000,000.00. For this round of the School Access for Emergency Response grant 10 applicants (19 school districts) were selected to receive funding as directed by [SB23-241](#). Thank you to all of those who applied for the FY2025 SAFER.

ORGANIZATION	AWARDED AMOUNT
Calhan School District	\$302,108
Durango R-9	\$168,086
East Central BOCES	\$1,845,759
Elizabeth School District	\$137,835
Harrison School District	\$751,500
Manzanola	\$136,788
North Conejos School District -NCSD	\$674,822
Pueblo School of Arts and Science	\$394,053
Sanford School District	\$132,634
Weld County School District- 6	\$306,415

### YVP Grant

- As we come to the end of the grant, closeout meetings will begin late June through early July. All expenditures were to be completed by June 30, 2024, 11:59PM MST.

### Upcoming Events: **Save the Dates**

- School Security Disbursement Grant Program Kick Off Meeting **July 10, 2024, 10:00 am**
- School Access for Emergency Response Grant Program Reporting Webinar and Q & A Session- **July 17, 2024 at 10:30AM**

# The Grants Corner

## **Feedback from the Staff at Boys and Girls Club Metro Denver:**

The Colorado Dream Foundation (CDF) serves over 420 youth and their families from 32 Title I schools in the Green Valley Ranch, Montbello, Through the support of the Colorado Office of School Safety, Broncos Boys & Girls Club held our annual March for Peace!

The March for Peace is an event crafted by Broncos Boys & Girls Club members, most notably Club member Rae Rae and the Colorado Youth of the Year 2024 recipient Nashara, and brought to life with the support of our staff! Created in response to the growing violence in the Montbello neighborhood in 2020, this event is intended to carve a space within the Montbello community for people of all ages and backgrounds to come together and connect in a positive and meaningful way.

March for Peace stands as a testament to the strength of the community and the optimism of the Club members at the helm. Participants foster relationships with others who share the goal of promoting peace and understanding as well as physical and mental wellness.

This year, the March for Peace drew together nearly 300 people from the Montbello community including Club members, families, and community members! During this event, participants walked/ran a 5k route and then stayed to participate in the events held post-race! Exciting events for the community included bubble foam pits for people to walk through, a bounce house, fitness games, face painting, a balloon animal vendor, a breakfast bar, a shaved ice stand, a cake stand and over 20 community vendors!

Among the vendors that participated was Colorado Public Safety, Colorado Young Leaders, Pan Jujitsu, and a Fitness Carnival! The most notable moment from this event was seeing the leadership of Nashara and Rae Rae, the two Club members that coordinated this event. Their leadership, coordination, problem solving, and overall disposition throughout the March for Peace was truly remarkable! They took full responsibility for the management of this event, hosting the nearly 300 people and 20 community vendors, while Club staff supported their requests. This is a testament to the lifelong leadership skills that Boys & Girls Clubs of Metro Denver nurtures among young people we serve organization-wide, supporting their success that foreshadows their bright futures ahead!

The impact that Boys & Girls Clubs of Metro Denver had within the community of Montbello through this event, was not possible without the Youth Violence Prevention Grant opportunity provided by the Office of School Safety. Our organization is truly grateful for this meaningful collaboration and looks forward to any future opportunities! CDF used grant funding to deliver free mental health services to 105 youth as well as out-of-school time programming for 177 youth consisting of STEAM learning academic enrichment, mental health services, and social-emotional learning support. By implementing a social-emotional learning curriculum designed to reduce the likelihood of youth becoming involved in gun violence, the foundation teaches young people self-awareness and self-advocacy skills to manage anxiety, depression, and grief, thus increasing prosocial behavior across various environments.

## **Share Your Success - Be Featured in The Grants E-Update!**

We want to celebrate your achievements! If you've had success with any of our grants, share your story with us. Submit a short narrative detailing your project's impact, and you could be featured

in our upcoming E-update. Photos welcome. Your success inspires others—let's showcase the incredible work happening in our schools!

### We're Here for You!

- Remember, our team is here to support you. If you have any questions or need assistance, feel free to reach out to our dedicated grant support team.
  - General Grant Inquiries: [cdps\\_oss\\_grants@state.co.us](mailto:cdps_oss_grants@state.co.us)
  - The School Access for Emergency Response Grant Program (SAFER): [cdps\\_oss\\_safer@state.co.us](mailto:cdps_oss_safer@state.co.us)
  - The School Security Disbursement Grant Program (SSD): [cdps\\_oss\\_ssd@state.co.us](mailto:cdps_oss_ssd@state.co.us)
  - Youth Violence Prevention Grant Program (YVP): [cdps\\_oss\\_yvp@state.co.us](mailto:cdps_oss_yvp@state.co.us)
  - Stay Connected: [oss.colorado.gov/grants-overview](https://oss.colorado.gov/grants-overview)

Don't miss the other federal and state grant opportunities beginning on Page 10.

Thank you,  
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## COLORADO OFFICE OF SCHOOL SAFETY NETWORKING & TRAINING

### 2024 NASRO Advanced SRO Training - A few spaces remain in each training.

- The [Office of School Safety](#) will hold two Advanced SRO trainings this summer:
  - Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday - July 24, 25, and 26 at the Lowry Conference Center in Denver
  - Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday - August 5, 6, and 7 at Mesa State University in Grand Junction
  - The class sizes will be limited.
  - The OSS has grant funding from the Bureau of Justice Assistance to pay NASRO fees and travel expenses for attendees.
  - **Please note: We will need to charge for cancellations within a week of the workshops or for no-shows.**
- Use the [online registration form](#) to register for either of the following:
  - Denver training - July 24 - 26, 2024, Lowry Conference Center
  - Grand Junction training - August 5 - 7, 2024, Colorado Mesa University

### NEW Reunification Training - REGISTRATION IS OPEN!

- The [Office of School Safety](#) is pleased to announce that we have a new partnership with the ["I Love U Guys" Foundation](#). This means that the OSS will work with ILUG for a series of workshops over the next few years. The first is listed below:
- **Reunification training**
  - When: September 24th and 25th
  - Where: Ski Hi Event Center, Monte Vista, CO
  - Cost: No fee as it is part of our partnership
  - Limited space: This is limited to the first 90 participants so get your team registered!
  - [Registration](#)

### October Safe Schools Summit - REGISTRATION IS OPEN!

- The annual Colorado Safe Schools Summit will be COMPLETELY virtual on Thursday and Friday, October 17th and 18th, 2024.
- Plenary sessions include:

- Preventing staff burnout
- Supporting students involved in the juvenile justice system
- Restorative Practices in Schools
- TBD
- The 25 workshop presenters will be notified shortly.
- [You can register online](#)

### November Youth Suicide Prevention & Intervention Symposium - **REGISTRATION IS OPEN**

- The annual Youth Suicide Prevention Symposium hosted by the [Office of School Safety](#) and the [Office of Suicide Prevention at CDPHE](#) will be IN PERSON on Thursday, November 14th at the Lowry Conference Center in Denver.
- We will also be live-streaming it on Zoom.
- This year's plenaries will include:
  - Thomas Joiner, Ph.D. researcher and author. Dr. Joiner will conduct two sessions, one on his latest research and book, *The Perversion of Virtue: Understanding Murder - Suicide*.
  - His second workshop will be on sudden-onset Acute Suicidal Affective Disturbance.
  - Anna Mueller, Ph.D., will discuss her recent suicide research in Colorado.
  - Susie Reece has lived experience as a survivor of her father's suicide and will discuss ways to assist other survivors.
- Cost: \$50 for virtual or in-person
- [Registration](#)

### Crisis Response Symposium **SAVE THE DATE**

- [The Colorado Office of School Safety's Crisis Response Unit](#) is holding this virtual symposium on crisis response that is designed for K-12 and Higher Education.
- **When: December 3, 2024**
- **Where: Virtual**
- Presenters: TBD
- Registration will open soon, keep an eye on our newsletters and [website](#)

## CSSRC ONLINE COURSE OFFERINGS & ARCHIVED PRESENTATIONS

### CSSRC online course links:

- Upcoming workshops are listed on [the OSS website](#).

## CURRENT EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **NEW** Healthy Kids Colorado 2023 Survey Results Released

[CDPHE releases the latest Healthy Kids Colorado Survey data: Responses offer signs of resilience among Colorado students](#)

- The [Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment](#) released the latest statewide and regional results from the Healthy Kids Colorado Survey, the state's most comprehensive survey on the health and well-being of young people. More than 120,000 youth responded to the voluntary survey in the fall of 2023, and the results are promising.
- "We're very happy to see overall improvements in many areas. There have been dramatic changes in the right direction around indicators of mental health, suicide risk, and substance use," said Jill Hunsaker Ryan, executive director, CDPHE. "We're hopeful this is an indication of state and community investments in prevention programming and protective factors paying off."
- Between 2021 and 2023 high schoolers experiencing persistent feelings of sadness or hopelessness dropped by 14 percentage points. While these are the lowest rates in

Colorado since the survey's inception, we remain committed to connecting youth with the help and support they need to further decrease the rate of youth who have suicidal thoughts, planning, and attempts.

**Significant key findings from the 2023 statewide high school results include:**

- Youth who seriously considered suicide in the last year decreased by 6 percentage points.
- Youth who planned a suicide attempt decreased by 4 percentage points.
- Youth who attempted suicide decreased by 1 percentage point.
- Similar to prior years, the Healthy Kids Colorado Survey results consistently illuminate disparities in health outcomes for LGBTQ+ youth in Colorado. Disaggregated 2023 high school data show:
  - Transgender youth seriously considered suicide in the past year at more than four times the rate of their cisgender peers (45% vs.10%).
  - Nonbinary youth seriously considered suicide in the past year at more than three times the rate of their female and male peers (37% vs. approx. 10%).
  - Bisexual, gay/lesbian, pansexual, and asexual youth seriously considered suicide in the past year at more than three times the rate of their heterosexual peers (approx. 29% vs.8%).
- “We hope to build on some of the positive trends coming out of the survey to close the gaps we see for LGBTQ+ youth in Colorado,” said Lena Heilmann, director of the Office of Suicide Prevention. “Protective factors, such as supportive adults, clear family rules, and feeling safe and connected at school, help youth to thrive.”
- The 2021 results highlighted sharp declines in youth substance use. This trend continued into 2023 with decreases in current use of most substances. Youth marijuana use and cigarette use remained stable between 2021 and 2023 at 13% and 3%, respectively.
- Youth who currently drink alcohol decreased by 3 percentage points.
- Youth who currently vape decreased by 7 percentage points.
- Youth who currently use prescription pain medications without a prescription or differently than prescribed decreased by 2 percentage points.
- **The latest middle school results show similar improvements in mental health and suicide outcomes, but a concerning increase in youth alcohol use.** In 2023, 24% of middle schoolers reported ever drinking alcohol, up from 11% in 2021. Early initiation of substance use is associated with future substance misuse. In 2023, 14% of middle schoolers reported having their first alcoholic drink before age 11, almost triple the rate from 2021 (5%).
- The Colorado School of Public Health Survey Team within the University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus helps schools administer the survey in the fall of odd-numbered years. In 2023, 120,239 students participated in 344 public middle and high schools in 46 Colorado counties. CDPHE and the Colorado Departments of Human Services, Education, and Public Safety support this survey. For more details—including results that are disaggregated by geography, age, grade, race & ethnicity, sexual orientation, and gender identity—visit [healthykidscolo.org](https://healthykidscolo.org).

**NEW News Release on Colorado State Board of Education Approving Projects**

- [Colorado Department of Education \(CDE\)](#) shared this press release “Colorado State Board of Education approves 19 school construction projects funded through Building Excellent Schools Today grants.”
- You can [view the full press release online](#)
- Congratulations to all who received awards!



## NEW Title IX Regulations Released

- [The U.S. Department of Education](#) has finally released its new Title IX regulation.
- The rule enforces the promise of Title IX that no person experiences sex discrimination in federally funded education.
- This will also help ensure that all persons, including students and employees, will receive the appropriate support if they were to experience sex discrimination in schools and that the procedures created by schools for investigating and resolving complaints involving sex discrimination are accurate and fair to all parties.
- Some of the final regulations include
  - Providing full protection from sex-based harassment.
  - Requiring schools to take prompt and effective action to end any sex discrimination in their education programs or activities as well preventing any recurrence and remedy the effects.
  - Requiring schools to provide supportive measures to those affected by conduct that may represent sex discrimination, including sexual violence and other forms of sexual harassment.
- More about the final update to Title IX
  - [Final Rule Unofficial Version](#)
  - [Summary of Revisions](#)
  - [Title IX Final Rule FACT SHEET](#)
  - [Resources for Drafting Nondiscrimination Policies](#)

## Colorado Violence Prevention Shakespeare Festival

- In the 2024-25 school year, the [Colorado Shakespeare Festival](#) will continue to reach schools across Colorado with the Shakespeare & Violence Prevention program (a collaboration with CU Boulder's Center for the Study and Prevention of Violence). Since 2011, the program has reached over 130,000 Colorado schoolchildren.
- The program includes a pre-show study guide, an abridged Shakespeare play performed at your school, a brief talkback to discuss the violence and mistreatment in the play and post-show classroom workshops in which students practice their upstander strategies.
- Theatre is a powerful way for students to learn about teamwork, empathy, and their ability to make a difference in their communities.
- 2024-25 season offerings include a 30-minute Twelfth Night for grades 3-5 and a 45-minute Much Ado About Nothing for grades 6-12.
- Visit [CU Presents](#) for details and booking.

## Safe2Tell now has a text code!

- Safe to Tell, from the [Office of the Colorado Attorney General](#) has a new text code.
- Students who text STCO to 738477 will receive a link to the report form.
- Learn more at [Safe2Tell](#)

## NATIONAL TRAININGS and EVENTS

### PREPaRE Training of Trainers (ToT) Workshops

- The [National Association of School Psychologists \(NASP\)](#) with the [University of Colorado](#), Denver is hosting two ToT Workshops. Select the dates and workshops below to view more information:
  - [Workshop 2 Training of Trainers: Mental Health Crisis Interventions: Responding to an Acute Traumatic Stressor in Schools - July 30-31, 9:00 AM - 5:30 PM](#)
  - [Workshop 1 Training of Trainers: Comprehensive School Safety Planning: Prevention](#)

## **NEW** The Briefings

- The [“I Love U Guys” Foundation](#) is holding its next Briefings Symposium in San Mateo, California.
- When: **September 5th and 6th, 2024.**
- They have teamed up with one of their incredible Mission Partners, Verkada, whose passion for school safety and bringing this program to California led them to offer their training facility in San Mateo, CA for The Briefings!
- As a proud Partner of The “I Love U Guys” Foundation we are looking forward to the upcoming Briefings Symposium on September 5-6, 2024 in San Mateo, CA. This event promises to be a unique and invaluable opportunity for you to engage with individuals from schools, districts, departments, agencies, and organizations worldwide.
- We invite you to attend and are excited to provide you with a discount code to register for the Briefings Symposium.
- Register now with the discount code **CA-SEP24**: <https://iloveguys.org/The-Briefings.html>  
The normal fee of \$375 will be reduced to \$225.
- Over the course of two dynamic days, you will delve into a diverse range of topics essential for preparedness, including insights into handling both small-scale incidents and large crises, valuable lessons gleaned from past experiences, strategies for effective recovery, and immersive training sessions on the Standard Response Protocol (SRP) and Standard Reunification Method (SRM).
- Beyond the informative sessions, the Briefings Symposium offers a conducive environment for networking and fostering meaningful connections. It's not just about what you learn, but who you meet. By participating, you'll not only gain actionable knowledge but also forge enduring relationships that will help you achieve the goals you set.
- Learn more & register now using the code **CA-SEP24**:  
<https://iloveguys.org/The-Briefings.html>
- [The registration link is here.](#)

## United States Secret Service Virtual Training Classes

- [The United States Secret Service](#) is offering multiple live virtual training events on violence prevention topics.
- The [National Threat Assessment Center](#) presents findings from its research on targeted violence and discusses strategies for prevention in our communities.
- Learn more about [Live Virtual Trainings Events](#) and [Register for a Virtual Training Class](#)

## OTHER COLORADO TRAININGS and EVENTS

### Summer 2024 School Safety Conference - Save the Date

- This conference will be held by [Colorado Mesa University](#) on August 1, 2024.
- Registration is not available yet, but you can view the [save the date flyer now.](#)

### Enhancing School Safety Regional Training: Integrating Prevention and School Climate Improvement Efforts

- [The Colorado Department of Education \(CDE\)](#) is offering this training at three additional times and locations.
- “The training will explore the fundamentals of preventing school violence by emphasizing the creation of systems and structures essential for positive school environments.”
- When and where, click to register for the specific event:
  - [August 2, 2024: Adams State University in San Luis Valley](#)



- [August 21, 2024: R-5 High School, Grand Junction](#)
- [September 20, 2024: Northeastern Junior College in Sterling](#)
- You can view more information on [this flyer](#).

### **NEW** SOMB Informed Supervision

- [The Colorado Division of Criminal Justice \(DCJ\)](#) is offering this in person training that “will review what Informed Supervision entails, and the qualifications and tools necessary to be an Informed Supervisor.”
- **When: August 9, 2024, 8:30 am - 12:00 pm**
- **Where:** Adams County Government Conference Center, 4430 S Adams County Pkwy, Brighton, CO 8061
- [View more information and register online](#)

### **NEW** SOMB Approved Supervision & Child Contact

- [The Colorado Division of Criminal Justice \(DCJ\)](#) is offering this in person training that “will provide an overview of Section 5.7 of the Adult Standards, which guides professionals on best practices for contact with minor children. It will cover the specific pathways that allow supervised and unsupervised contact with a client’s own and other minor children.”
- **When: August 9, 2024, 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm**
- **Where:** Adams County Government Conference Center 4430 S Adams County Pkwy, Brighton, CO 8061
- [View more information and register online](#)

### Colorado 2024 Fall CDE Conference

- The [Colorado Department of Education](#) seeks conference proposals for the [Landscape of Wellbeing and Belonging](#) supporting various school programs from leadership support of wellbeing and belonging to educator wellness.
- The conference is aiming to promote collaboration as it addresses the growing social, emotional, and comprehensive wellness needs of students, staff and families.
- The event is being hosted in collaboration with specific offices within the department
- **When: September 18 and 19, 2024**
- **Where:** [DoubleTree Hilton, Colorado Springs](#)
- You can view more information, including when registration is available, on the CDE Conference [website](#)

### 2024 Colorado School Social Work Conference: Growing Connected Communities

- [The Colorado School Social Work Association \(CSSWA\)](#) conference is “ for an audience of school social workers and other mental health professionals or educators who support the social, emotional and mental health needs of Colorado students and youth.”
- **When: September 19, 2024, 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM**
- **Where:** Adams 12 Conference Center, 1500 E. 128th Ave, Thornton, CO 80241
- View more information and register [online](#)

### The 2024 Safe Routes to School (SRTS) National Conference is coming to Fort Collins!

- The [Colorado Department of Transportation](#) is pleased to be the presenting sponsor for the 2024 SRTS National Conference! Hosted by [Safe Routes Partnership](#), Colorado has been chosen for the first in-person SRTS National Conference since 2019.
- The 2024 SRTS National Conference will be held at the Fort Collins Hilton from **October 22-24, 2024**. Save the date and prepare to connect with fellow active transportation, public health, and Safe Routes champions from across the country.
- [The Safe Routes Partnership is now accepting session proposals for the event](#), which will bring together hundreds of Safe Routes to School and active transportation professionals

to exchange ideas and share knowledge. The Conference and the wider Safe Routes to School movement benefit from the innovative contributions, creative solutions, practical know-how, and community insights from people of different backgrounds.

- Contact Colorado SRTS Program Manager Melissa Trecoske Houghton at [melissa.houghton@state.co.us](mailto:melissa.houghton@state.co.us).

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

### School Mental Health Community of Practice Summer Series

- This Summer Series is presented by [Synergetic Education Institute](#) and facilitated by Sarah Younggren.
- “The Community of Practice Summer Series is a learning opportunity to support mental health professionals who collaborate with educators, administrators, and school staff.”
- Live webinar dates:
  - July 10th, 2024, 10 AM - 12 PM
  - July 17th, 2024, 10 AM - 12 PM
  - July 24th, 2024, 10 AM - 12 PM
- View more information and register [online](#)

## CURRENT GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

### **NEW** Opportunity to support funding for Restorative Practices

- [Justice Engaged Students Colorado](#) has released this funding opportunity: “In 2023, Generation Schools Network (GSN) was awarded a 5 year federal SAMHSA SPF-PFS grant to serve Justice Engaged Students in Colorado. This funding will allow GSN to facilitate universal/prevention, targeted intervention, and intensive intervention programming for schools/school districts. The support GSN provides to schools comes at no monetary cost. Schools and school districts will invest time and energy towards the work of stopping the school to prison nexus, breaking down barriers for school reintegration, and allowing students to access therapeutic support for substance use and mental health.”
- You can [view more information and apply online](#)

### Grant Funding Application Period with Safer Routes to School Coming Up!

- [Safer Routes to School](#) will have a new grant period that will begin in August.
- They “have approximately \$7M to distribute for infrastructure and non-infrastructure projects supporting communities in providing students and families with safe, accessible means of active transportation to and from school.”
- You can view information as it becomes available on [their website](#)

## RESOURCES and INFORMATION for Pre K-12 SCHOOLS

### **NEW** Chalkbeat Colorado Article on Bullying for Parents

- [Chalkbeat Colorado](#) has released this article for parents on things they believe parents should know about their child being bullied including what is and isn’t bullying, signs, how to talk to your child about it and more.
- You can view the article on [Chalkbeat’s website](#)

### Safe and Sound Student Clubs

- [Safe and Sound Schools](#) is a national nonprofit for the advocacy of school safety and resource center that provides research-based tools and gives support to help schools and students with crisis prevention, response and recovery.
- [Safe and Sound Student Club](#) is a student-led organization made up of high school students seeking to make a difference with school safety in their community.
- Learn more and [Download Your Kit and Start Your Club](#).

## StopBullying

- The federal website, [SchoolSafety.gov](https://www.schoolsafety.gov), has released new anti-bullying information from multiple federal agencies to include strategies and resources to help identify, address, and prevent bullying and create safe school environments.
- [View the resources online](#)
- View additional resources to [Prevent Cyberbullying](#) from [Stopbullying.gov](https://www.stopbullying.gov)

## Social and Emotional Learning Resource

- In honor of [National Social Emotional Learning Week](#), [The Colorado Department of Education](#) launched their New Social and Emotional Learning Resource
- This new resource hub named [The Landscape of Wellbeing and Belonging](#) provides tools and resources for educators and community members
- Here's how to access the [new virtual hub online](#)

## Data on School Bullying Rates

- The [National Center for Education Statistics](#) announced their new [report focusing on bullying victimization at school](#). This data was uncovered from the [School Crime Supplement to the National Crime Victimization Survey](#) where data was collected on bullying through a national sample that represents a sample of students aged 12-18 enrolled in grades 6-12 in public and private schools.
- [View the report](#) online

## REMINDER Naloxone (Narcan) Bulk Purchases

- Please remember that school districts are eligible for bulk purchases of Naloxone from the [Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment \(CDPHE\)](#).
- This program allows eligible entities to purchase opiate antagonists, such as naloxone or Narcan, at low or no cost.
- For more information go to [CDPHE's webpage on Naloxone](#)

## RESOURCES and INFORMATION for INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION

### Resources from the OSS

- Please remember that the OSS staff can provide services to any institution of higher education in the state.
- These might include:
  - Threat assessment training
  - Site assessments
  - Emergency planning for schools
  - Planning and conducting tabletop drills
  - Secondary traumatic stress
  - Adult Sexual Misconduct
  - Concurrent Enrollment considerations
  - Others by request
  - Please reach out to [Brad.stiles@state.co.us](mailto:Brad.stiles@state.co.us) or [Kelly.addington@state.co.us](mailto:Kelly.addington@state.co.us) for more information, or use [this form](#).

### Follow the Office of School Safety on X (formerly Twitter)

- For the latest school safety information between monthly E-Updates, follow [@CoSSRC](#) on X/Twitter.
- Featuring daily updates on new research, resources, upcoming trainings, and Center activities.

[Follow us on X \(formerly Twitter\)](#)  

**THE OSS 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 ([oss.colorado.gov](https://oss.colorado.gov)) for the latest school safety information and upcoming trainings. **Call us at: 303-239-4435.**



***Thank you for supporting safe and positive schools in Colorado!***

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