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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.**

THE DIRECTOR'S CORNER

Dear Colleagues: Happy March!

- As reported last month, the **School Safety Working Group** filed their legislatively mandated report with the 2024 Colorado General Assembly. [You can see the report here](#). But the work hasn't stopped. We are actively recruiting for the **Physical Safety and Security Committee**. They will be tasked with creating guidelines and best practice recommendations for Colorado K-12 schools.
- If you would like to serve on this virtual committee, please reach out to either me, Christine.harms@state.co.us, or Andrea Pulskamp at CDE: Pulskamp_A@cde.state.co.us and we will notify you of the first meeting.
- The Office of School Safety welcomed the following staff recently:
 - Jason Chaousy, Program Assistant. Jason previously worked in the Department of Public Safety in the Colorado State Patrol and several other state agencies.
 - Brandi Vos joins us as a Crisis Response Specialist. Brandi has served as a school psychologist for 18 years. She brings a wealth of knowledge including direct crisis response experience.
- The Office of School Safety has some exciting workshops coming up this spring. Please see the list with further information below.



Enjoy your spring break!

Kindest regards,

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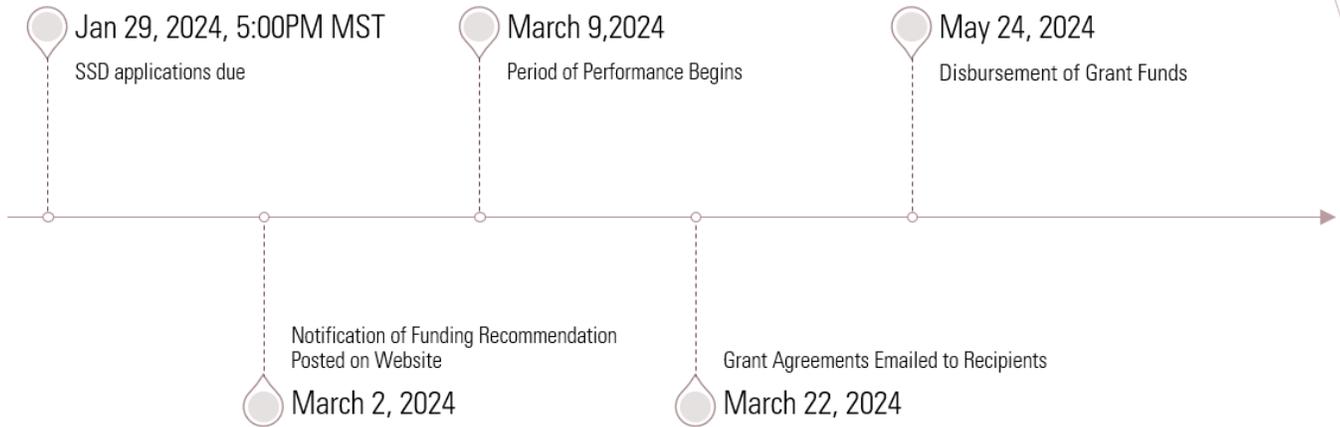
UPDATES FROM THE GRANTS UNIT

SSD Grant- I have applied. What's Next?

- Thanks to all the applicants that applied. We received 125 applications totaling over \$42,962,000.00 of requests. Awardee list will be posted on our [website](#).

School Security Disbursement Grant

Period of Performance: March 9, 2024- June 30, 2026



Exciting News - SAFER Grant **Coming Soon!**

- To Be Announced: Be on the lookout for our School Access for Emergency Response (SAFER) grant this spring. We're gearing up to provide support for initiatives that enhance school emergency response capabilities. Stay tuned for more details as we work together to make our schools safer and more secure.

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 paragraph 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
 - The School Access for Emergency Response Grant Program (SAFER): cdps_oss_safer@state.co.us
 - The School Security Disbursement Grant Program (SSD): cdps_oss_ssd@state.co.us
 - Youth Violence Prevention Grant Program (YVP): cdps_oss_yvp@state.co.us
 - Stay Connected: oss.colorado.gov/grants-overview

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COLORADO SAFETY RESOURCE CENTER NETWORKING & TRAINING

Safer Schools Together: VIRTUAL DIGITAL THREAT ASSESSMENT TRAINING **HURRY**

- When: **Thursday, March 7, 2024, 8AM - 3PM**
 - ADVANCED DTA Training (You must have taken BASIC DTA to qualify for this workshop)
 - [Register for ADVANCED DTA Training](#)
- These workshops are being offered with funding provided by the Colorado legislature to the new Office of School Safety. Therefore, these workshops are being offered at no charge.
- Registration is limited so please sign up as soon as possible.
- [Check out the event flyer](#)

NEW National Association for Behavioral Intervention and Threat Assessment (NABITA) Training

- This one and one-half day training will be hosted in person
 - Day One: *The Violence Risk Assessment of the Written Word (VRAWW)* is an expert system designed to assess the risk level and potential for violence present in written content. Relying on research of past violent attacks and the written narratives accompanying them, VRAWW presents an objective approach to assessing risk and threat present in written content. This is a training certification course.
 - Day Two: *Addressing the Intersection of BIT, Conduct, and Disability Support Workshop* - Given the shared goals of student development, access, support, accountability, and community safety, it is not surprising that behavioral intervention teams (BITs), student conduct, and disability support often address overlapping concerns. This overlap emphasizes the need for discussion and planning on how these areas intersect, especially regarding student behavior and conduct, hospitalizations, and returning from a leave of absence. This workshop will assist institutions in developing approaches that align with best practices and provide adequate support to students.
- **When: April 8th (8 to 4PM) and 9th (8 to 11AM)**
- **Where: Denver Police Protective Association (PPA) Event Center 2105 Decatur Street, Denver, CO 80211**
- **Cost: There is NO CHARGE** for this opportunity thanks to funding from the legislature to the Office of School Safety.
- [Register for NABITA Training](#)

Colorado Threat Assessment Symposium **Register Now**

- The Office of School Safety is excited to present a two-day, in-person symposium on threat assessment.
- Presenters:
 - **Day One:** Workshops on threat assessment interviewing, utilizing your TA data, considerations when conducting assessments with students in special education, and examination of student and property searches.
 - **Day Two:** Peter Langman, Ph.D., Researcher and author of a number of books on students who commit violence in schools including *Why Kids Kill: Inside the Minds of School Shooters*.
- **When: Monday and Tuesday, May 6th and 7th.**
- **Where: Embassy Suites, 4705 Clydesdale Pkwy, Loveland, CO 80538**
- **Cost: \$25 for one day or \$40 for both days (non-refundable)**
- Registration fees cannot be refunded if you decide you cannot attend but you can transfer your registration to a colleague by calling Melissa.Rubeo@state.co.us at [303-253-0621](tel:303-253-0621).

- [Register for the Symposium](#)
- [See the Agenda](#)

Institutions of Higher Education Summer Safety Symposium

- Although designed for Institutions of Higher Education, the workshops are applicable to K-12 school personnel as well. Please join us!
- **When: Friday, May 31, 2024**
- **Location:** Regis University, Mountain View Conference Room
- Cost: \$50
- [Registration for the Symposium](#)
- [See the Agenda](#)

NEW School Crisis Response Working Group

- The Crisis Response Unit is pleased to offer our first ever statewide school crisis response working group on **April 23rd from 2-3 pm**.
- We will come together as a group to introduce the Crisis Response Unit within the Office of School Safety. We want this group to be for you, about you, and about the good work you do throughout the state.
- Please use [this form](#) to let us know if you plan to attend and to tell us what topics you are most interested in as we plan for the next school year.

Networking Groups for Threat Assessment and Suicide Prevention Professionals

- For the last few years, the CSSRC has facilitated informal meetings for any school staff who oversee either suicide prevention and intervention or threat assessments in their buildings. We have separated the meetings into two groups: Suicide Prevention Professionals and Threat Assessment Professionals.
- The Suicide Prevention Professionals group will only be for staff who have attended our Suicide Risk Assessment (SRA) Toolkit training and are using the CSSRC Toolkit. Meetings will occasionally be opened to the mental health community at large. Those meetings will be announced in the Update.
- The **Threat Assessment Professionals group will only be for staff who have attended our Colorado Threat Assessment and Management Protocol (CTAMP) training and those trained under the STOP Grant** - We have set these professional meetings for the second Tuesday of the month. The meetings will be virtual to allow more of our rural colleagues to join us. The calendar is below.
- Others are welcome to join these groups based on the criteria described above. To join, contact Margaret Ochoa Margaret.Ochoa@state.co.us if you have not already been contacted. Please specify which group you are interested in attending although you are welcome to join both.

March 12, 2024, from 2PM - 3PM	CTAMP Professionals Discussion
April 9, 2024, from 2PM - 3PM	Suicide Prevention Professionals Discussion/CSSRC SRA Toolkit Users
May 14, 2024, from 2PM - 3PM	CTAMP Professionals Discussion

- The larger Threat Assessment Advisory Group begins next week. This group is for *all* professionals working in schools that are involved with Threat Assessments. The first meeting, we would like you to come with ideas, speakers and topics you would like to see covered in future events and we will do our best to resource these. Invites will be sent

out for all three dates to those that may have already attended a TA meeting with us to include the CTAMP/STOP team leads. If you are interested in joining, please email Brad Stiles at brad.stiles@state.co.us.

March 6, 2024, from 2PM - 3PM	Threat Assessment Advisory Group
April 17, 2024, from 2PM - 3PM	Threat Assessment Advisory Group

Networking Group for Managing Problematic Sexual Behaviors (PSB)

- The working group for professionals managing problematic sexual behaviors (PSB) in students will be meeting on the following first **Tuesdays of the month which started in November 2023**. The meetings will be virtual. Please contact Margaret Ochoa at Margaret.Ochoa@state.co.us if you are interested and have not already been contacted. The calendar is below.

March 5, 2024, from 2PM - 3PM
May 7, 2024, from 2PM - 3PM Rescheduled to May 9th from 2 to 3PM due to the Threat Assessment Symposium

NEW CSSRC's School Safety Specialist Academy - **SAVE THE DATE**

- The Center is excited to host a fourth Academy cohort in 2024. The Academy was created to train School Safety Specialists in any Colorado district (or charter/private school) that would like to have a staff member in this position. This individual(s) will be trained in foundational school safety knowledge, utilizing the five preparedness missions of the U.S. Department of Education.
- Held virtually June 3-7, from 8:00 AM until 1:00 PM each day**
- School safety partners from CDE, CDPHE, the Attorney General's Office, CU Boulder, the Frank DeAngelis Foundation, the I Love U Guys Foundation, CASRO and others will join us to discuss ongoing collaborations.
- There will be **no charge** for this Academy, but in order to receive a certificate as a School Safety Specialist, participants must be present for each live virtual workshop.
- The Academy will be **limited to 25 registrants**. Please contact margaret.ochoa@state.co.us with any questions.
- Here is a [link to the Application](#).

SRO Supervisors' Training

- The Office of School Safety will hold a **NASRO Supervisors' Training** in collaboration with the annual CASRO Summer Conference on **June 10th, 11th and 12th at Keystone**.
- This opportunity is provided by a Bureau of Justice grant secured by the OSS. This means that the grant funds will cover the cost of the NASRO training fee, hotels, per diems and mileage for SRO Supervisors.
- It is a contract with NASRO and not open to anyone outside of Colorado so it will NOT be listed on NASRO's website.
- Space is limited so please [register early](#).
- [See the event flyer](#)
- If you have any questions about registration, please reach out to Melissa.rubeo@state.co.us

2024 NASRO Advanced SRO 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 so you must register early.
 - 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 no shows.**
- Use the [online registration form](#) to register for one of the following:
 - **Denver training - July 24 - 26, 2024, Lowry Conference Center**
 - **Grand Junction training - August 5 - 7, 2024, Mesa State University**

CSSRC ONLINE COURSE OFFERINGS & ARCHIVED PRESENTATIONS

CSSRC online course links:

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

CURRENT EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEW Get Home Safe Pledge

- [The Colorado Department of Transportation's \(CDOT\)](#) Teen Driver Safety campaign has launched the Get Home Safe Pledge.
- “We’re looking for young drivers aged 15-20 to sign our pledge, promising to keep it safe while driving. All teens who sign the pledge will be mailed a scented car freshener & postcard. Plus, they’ll be entered to win a free Driver Safety Kit courtesy of our partners at [AAA Colorado](#) and the [Colorado State Patrol](#).”
- [You can view more information on CDOT’s Get Home Safe Pledge page](#)

NATIONAL TRAININGS and EVENTS

It’s That Time! Youth Preparedness Council Application Promotional Toolkit

- The application period for [FEMA](#)’s National Youth Preparedness Council kicked off on Monday, January 22, 2023!
- Students in grades 8 through 11 are eligible to apply.
- Important dates:
 - **Monday, March 4, 2024:** application closes (11:59 PM PT)
 - **March - April 2024:** application review period
 - **May - June 2024:** selection and notification
 - **July 2024:** national YPC kick-off (virtual event)
- See the promotional materials:
 - [2024 YPC Application Flyer \(English\)](#)
 - [2024 YPC Application Promotional Toolkit \(English\)](#)
 - [2024 YPC Application Flyer \(Spanish\)](#)
 - [2024 YPC Application Promotional Toolkit \(Spanish\)](#)
- For more information and to get application materials, visit [the FEMA YPC web page](#)
- If you have any questions or need support with recruitment efforts, reach out to kirsten.maltese@fema.dhs.gov

OTHER COLORADO TRAININGS and EVENTS

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.
- Selected submissions will receive \$100 toward conference registration. Submissions are due **Monday, March 4, 2024**. Learn more information as it becomes available at saferoutespartnership.org.

CURRENT GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

2024-25 School Counselor Corps Grant applications open

- From the [CO Department of Education \(CDE\)](#): Applications for the 2024-25 School Counselor Corps Grant are open until **Thursday, March 7, 2024**.
- The application webinar took place in February but you can access the recording on the [CDE Grant page](#)
- For more information contact Brooke Morgan at morgan_b@cde.state.co.us or **303-923-0966**.

New Grant Opportunity Available on [SchoolSafety.gov's Grants Finder Tool](#)

- **Grant Funding to Address Indoor Air Pollution at Schools (Deadline: March 19)**
 - This solicitation provides funding for grants and other activities to monitor and reduce greenhouse gas emissions and other air pollutants at schools in low-income, disadvantaged, and Tribal communities through the development and adoption of comprehensive indoor air quality (IAQ) management plans.
 - States, local governments and educational agencies, U.S. territories, Indian Tribes, and nonprofit organizations with experience conducting national, regional, or multi-state IAQ management capacity-building programs, providing IAQ training, executing IAQ research in school settings, or disseminating IAQ standards/policies that have achieved positive outcomes - especially with schools and Tribal entities - are encouraged to apply.
 - [Access additional information on this grant and find a full list of funding opportunities](#) with upcoming application deadlines. You can also navigate the [Grants Finder Tool](#)'s various features to search for additional grants related to school safety.
 - Please contact SchoolSafety@hq.dhs.gov with any questions
- **Grant Funding to Improve Adolescent Health and Well-Being Through School-Based Surveillance and the What Works in Schools Program (Deadline: April 1)**
 - This solicitation provides funding to support the implementation of activities at multiple levels of the public education system to achieve health goals, including the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) What Works in Schools program and building the capacity of agencies to assist local education agencies (districts and schools).
 - The CDC's What Works in Schools program is a primary prevention approach that supports school districts in implementing three key strategies: providing quality

health education, connecting youth to health services, and creating safe and supportive learning environments.

- Access additional information on this grant on [SchoolSafety.gov's announcement page](#)

NEW 2024-27 Colorado Student Wellness Grant request for applications open

- [The Request for Applications for the Colorado Student Wellness Grant for 2024 through 2027 is open.](#) This three-year grant program supports the expansion and coordination of local student wellness policies, practices and programs for the physical, mental, emotional and social needs of students.
- Approximately \$420,000 is available for the 2024-25 school year, pending state legislature approval, for local education providers including school districts, BOCES, charter schools, facility schools, the Colorado School for the Deaf and the Blind and Indian tribes or tribal organizations.
- **Grants will be awarded for a three-year term and applications are due by 4 p.m. on Wednesday, March 20.**
- For more information contact Liz Schroeder at schroeder_e@cde.state.co.us or 720-926-1753

NEW Colorado Student Wellness Grant (2024-2027)

- [This Colorado Department of Education \(CDE\)](#) program exists to support evidence-based practices and the implementation of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Whole School, Whole Community, Whole Child Model (WSCC) as a strategy to improve the health and well-being of children and youth in Colorado to:
 - Increase coordination of policies, practices, and programs to support students' physical, mental, emotional, and social needs.
 - Expand local student wellness policies (C.R.S. 22-32-136 (5.5))
 - Connect school health and wellness efforts to comprehensive health education standards and skills.
 - Identify and address barriers related to learning and health.
- **Applications are due March 20, 2024**
- View all grant details on [CDE's website](#)

Community Policing Development (CPD) - Implementation of De-Escalation Training Act

- From the [U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services](#): CPD is a competitive grant program designed to advance the practice of community policing by providing guidance on promising practices through the development and testing of innovative strategies; building knowledge about effective practices and outcomes; and supporting new, creative approaches to preventing crime and promoting safe communities.
- The goal of the CPD - Implementation of De-Escalation Training Act solicitation is to develop and support a training approval program as specified in the Law Enforcement De-Escalation Training Act of 2022.
- The project must focus on the development and pilot implementation of a standards-based approval process and promotion of its use and benefits to the law enforcement field.
- This solicitation is open to all for-profit (commercial) and nonprofit institutions, institutions of higher education, community groups, and faith-based organizations. Funding for one award up to **\$750,000** is available for this program.
- Applications are due by **Wednesday, April 3, 2024 at 4:59 PM ET.**
- [Please click here for more information on the 2024 CPD - Implementation of De-Escalation Training Act program.](#)

FY24 Colorado Preventing Identity-Based Violence Grant Program Application Released

- The [Colorado Preventing Targeted Violence \(CO-PTV\) Program](#) within the [Colorado Information Analysis Center \(CIAC\)](#) is excited to announce the release of the fiscal year 2024 Colorado Preventing Identity-based Violence Grant Program application!
- The grant program provides just under \$1 million in funding for projects run by county, municipality, city and county, American Indian Tribe, law enforcement agency, District Attorney's office, educational entity, or nonprofit.
- Completed application packets should be emailed to cdps_ptv_grants@state.co.us by **Friday, May 3, 2024, at 5PM MST**. Late applications cannot be accepted.
- CO-PTV is hosting three 30-minute webinars to provide an overview of the requirements, deadline, and application process, as well as answer any questions regarding the grant program. Please register for the virtual informational webinars below:
 - [04 March 2024, 2pm MST](#)
- For more information on the Colorado Preventing Identity-based Violence Grant Program and to download the application packet, please visit our [Grant Program Webpage](#). All questions can be directed to cdps_ptv_grants@state.co.us

RESOURCES and INFORMATION for Pre K-12 SCHOOLS

NEW Newly launched Kahoot! helps teens 'Know the Facts About Overdose'

- [The National Institute on Drug Abuse \(NIDA\)](#) "released its latest Kahoot! quiz: Know the Facts About Overdose, which aims to test players' knowledge on what causes drug overdoses and how to save a life using naloxone."
- [View the Kahoot! 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](#)

Students Experimenting with Fire: A Message from the CO Division of Fire Prevention and Control

- The [Division of Fire Prevention and Control \(DFPC\)](#) wants to support you, your staff, and your students. Did you know that a student usually starts multiple fires before getting caught? Experimenting with fire without adult supervision requires professional intervention, as these fires could stem from curiosity, crisis, thrill-seeking, willful destruction/delinquency, or mental health needs.
- To maximize public safety, please remember the following:
 - Reporting fire-related incidents is a requirement and the responsibility of principals/administrators;
 - Reporting an unwanted fire on school grounds or under school control is required by law; and
 - In addition to the local fire jurisdiction, **ALL** fire incidents on school property (regardless of intent, magnitude of fire, or age of the person(s) involved) need to be reported to the Division of Fire Prevention and Control using this [Fire Reporting Form](#).
- [DFPC](#) can refer youth who demonstrate firesetting behaviors to Youth Firesetting Intervention Specialists (YFIS), who are specially trained members of the Fire Service. They do not use scare tactics, and youth who have gone through a YFIS program have very

low recidivism rates.

- [DFPC](#) is happy to serve you to keep your community safe!

2023-2024 Colorado State of Education Report - Colorado Education Association

- [This report](#) was conducted by the [Colorado Education Association](#), which stands as the largest union in the state, representing nearly 40,000 teachers, counselors, school nurses, and other special service providers (SSPs), as well as education support professionals (ESPs), higher education staff, retired educators, and aspiring education professionals.
- [The report](#) touches on various topics including the state of investment, the state of educator respect, and the state of educators' safety.

CISA Releases Social Media Threat Guidance for School Staff and Authorities Infographic

- The [Cybersecurity & Infrastructure Security Agency \(CISA\)](#) released [this guide](#) on December 14, 2023.
- [The Social Media Threat Guidance for School Staff and Authorities Infographic](#) is a new CISA product. It highlights social media threats affecting school districts in the United States, provides mitigation and response measures for social media threats directed at school districts, and connects school safety stakeholders to the suite of tools and resources provided by [CISA](#) and its partners to promote a culture of readiness and preparedness.

Colorado Educator Support Resources from the University of Colorado

- The Department of Psychiatry at Colorado University (CU), Anschutz Medical Campus, is offering a [website](#) dedicated to helping Colorado's educational workforce.
- It provides free mental health resources to help the workforce make it through the school year.
- New learning modules include:
 - **Secondary Trauma Module:** Learn how to nurture your emotional health as you try to support others. This module will help you recognize and manage the emotions that come with your role, ensuring you can continue to make a positive impact.
 - **Work/Life Balance Module:** Discover ways to find harmony between your professional and personal life. We're here to support you in reducing stress, improving focus, and ensuring your overall well-being.
- Visit [ColoradoEducatorSupport.com](#) to access the resources

Employment of School Mental Health Professionals in School Guidance Document

- The [Colorado Department of Education \(CDE\)](#) released the [Employment of School Mental Health Professionals in School Guidance Document \(SB23-004\)](#), designed to assist Administrative Units in implementing **Eligible School-Based Therapists**.
- This document aims to support Eligible School-Based Therapists to work in coordination with CDE Licensed Special Service Providers and other CDE Licensed Professionals to provide supplemental support to students' social, emotional, behavioral, and mental health (Employment of School Mental Health Professionals, 2023).
- This guidance document is available on the [CDE Mental Health website](#). For more information or questions, please contact Krista Klabo at klabo_k@cde.state.co.us.

RESOURCES and INFORMATION for INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION

Resources for Schools Amidst Recent Threats

- In early January, hundreds of schools across the country reported receiving bomb threats.
- The safety and security of students, teachers, and staff are of utmost importance, and it is disheartening to witness the disruption and fear caused by these threats. The [National](#)

[Center for School Safety](#) understands that such incidents not only pose immediate concerns for physical safety but can also have a lasting emotional effect on the communities involved and beyond.

- To support our communities and schools, the [Center](#) has compiled a list of resources that may be helpful. Please stay informed, follow guidance from local authorities, and reach out with any questions or concerns you may have.
 - [Crisis Navigation Resources](#)
 - [Social Media Threat Guidance for School Staff and Authorities Infographic](#)
 - [Bombing Prevention Assistance for K-12 Schools](#)
 - [Bomb Threat Guide](#)
 - [How to Cope With Traumatic Events](#)

Resilience Strategies for Institutions of Higher Education Hybrid Training

- The [REMS TA Center](#) has developed a NEW [resilience strategies training for institution of higher education \(IHE\)](#) administrators, faculty, staff, students, and their community partners. (The Center's website was down at the time of this publication.)
- This synchronous training is available through the [Live Trainings by Request](#) and [Virtual Trainings by Request](#) programs and presents approaches to resilience for college and university personnel who work directly with students, faculty, and staff during times of personal and community crises. It provides a comprehensive framework to support practitioners within the IHE community and is designed to equip them with the knowledge and skills necessary to work with peers, students, faculty, and staff impacted by stress, loss, and trauma brought on by emergency events, including, but not limited to, community or family violence and economic hardship.
- **Intended Audience:** this training is intended for the IHE community – including administrators, faculty, and staff; counselors, clinical staff, and mental/behavioral staff; and students – and their community partners, such as local mental/behavioral health practitioners.
- **Applying to Request and Schedule This Training:** interested in hosting this training? Check our requirements below to review your agency's eligibility:
 - Be a public or nonpublic IHE, state education agency, or partner with an education agency that will serve as the lead requestor.
 - Designate a local point of contact who will coordinate with REMS TA Center staff members and trainers regarding the logistics of the event.
 - Advertise the training to the targeted audience(s) and ensure that for in-person trainings attendance is at least 25 people and at most 40 people or for virtual trainings attendance is at least 25 people and at most 475 people.
- Complete and submit the [TBR Host Site Application Form](#) or [VTBR Host Site Application Form](#) to info@remstacenter.org. REMS TA Center staff will confirm the receipt of your application within 1 day. A REMS TA Center team member will contact you to discuss your training needs and to answer any questions you may have. Training dates will be available on a first-come, first-served basis.

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
- Others by request
- Please reach out to Brad.stiles@state.co.us or Kelly.addington@state.co.us for more information, or use [this form](#).

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- 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.

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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) for the latest school safety information and upcoming trainings. Call us at: [303-550-2737](tel:303-550-2737).



Thank you for supporting safe and positive schools in Colorado!

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