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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/SchoolSafetyResourceCenter or www.Colorado.gov/CSSRC.***

CURRENT EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ❖ **NEW Colorado School Safety Resource Center's Needs Assessment Survey**
 - We ask your assistance in helping us plan. Thank you for your input!
 - [Click here to access the Needs Assessment via Survey Monkey](#)
 - [Click here to access the Needs Assessment via .PDF](#)

- ❖ **NEW Education News Colorado Legislative Education Bill Tracker**
 - The Bill Tracker includes bills directly affecting education plus budget, elections and other measures of interest to the education community.
 - [Click here to access the Bill Tracker...](#)

- ❖ **NEW Anti-Defamation League's A WORLD OF DIFFERENCE®**
 - The ADL is recruiting a training team for their Train-the-Trainer program.
 - ADL's A WORLD OF DIFFERENCE® Institute is a leading provider of anti-bias education and diversity training programs and resources. The training programs are presented primarily to teachers, administrators, classified staff, students, parents and adult family members as well as members of community organizations.
 - Please forward a resume, letter of interest with current references to Paula Brown, 1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 1301, Denver, CO 80203.

- ❖ **NEW 8th, 9th and 10th Grade Students to Meet United States Supreme Court Justice Sonia Sotomayor**
 - **May 2, 2013 from 8:00am – 10:00am**
 - 100 students to hear Justice Sonia Sotomayor speak and ask questions, meet their state senator and representative
 - [Click here for the link to the application...](#)

COLORADO SCHOOL SAFETY RESOURCE CENTER TRAININGS

❖ Bullying Prevention Institutes – Sponsored by Colorado School Safety Resource Center, Colorado Department of Education, and Colorado Legacy Foundation

- **April 25, 2013--Durango, 8:00am – 3:30pm, DoubleTree Hotel by Hilton, 501 Camino Del Rio, Durango, CO 81301 ****Registration is open**** Course ID# 1033731**
- **Featuring Special Guest Speaker:** Dorothy Espelage, Ph.D., University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign
- **Designed for:** administrators, teachers, PBIS teams, school safety teams, school mental health professionals
- **No charge for Colorado participants.** Space is limited and registration is required.
- **Registration Instructions:** Please go to www.CO.train.org. Set up a learner account and register for the symposium location and date using the **course ID** number: **1033731**. You will need Internet Explorer to register through the CO Train System. If you have questions or need assistance with registration, please contact the Colorado School Safety Resource Center at 303-239-4435.
- See the [Bullying Prevention Institute Flyer for Durango](#) for more information.

❖ Adult Sexual Misconduct in Schools: Prevention & Management – Sponsored by Colorado School Safety Resource Center and Colorado Association of School Boards

- **Designed for:** Administrators, human resources professionals, school board members and any other interested parties
- Arrange a two-hour video-based workshop at your site.
- **No charge for Colorado participants.**
- See the [Adult Sexual Misconduct in Schools Flyer](#) for more information.

CSSRC ONLINE COURSE OFFERINGS

❖ Crisis Planning for an Off-Campus Event

- **Learn how to prepare your school with the Colorado School Safety Resource Center's new NO-COST online learning module, "[Crisis Planning for an Off-Campus Event.](#)"**
- The training works best with Internet Explorer web browser. To access the training:
 1. Go to www.CO.train.org
 2. Sign in or create a new account. You will already have an account if you have attended CSSRC in-person trainings in the past.
 3. Search for **Course ID 1026872**
 4. This course counts as one hour of professional training. A printable certificate will be available upon completion of the course.

❖ Bullying Prevention & Intervention Under Colorado Law

- **Keep yourself and your school informed about Colorado laws ([HB 11-1254](#)) and best practices regarding bullying with the Colorado School Safety Resource Center's new NO-COST online learning module, "[Bullying Prevention & Intervention Under Colorado Law.](#)"**
- The training works best with Internet Explorer web browser. To access the training:
 1. Go to www.CO.train.org
 2. Sign in or create a new account. You will already have an account if you have attended CSSRC in-person trainings in the past.
 3. Search for **Course ID 1034235**
 4. This course counts as one hour of professional training. A printable certificate will be available upon completion of the course.

WEBINARS

- ❖ **NEW Rethinking Discipline: Strategies at Work in Schools Today**
 - **February 5, 2013, 2:00pm-3:00pm ET (12:00pm-1:00pm MT)**
 - Zero-tolerance policies, which require out-of-school suspension or expulsion for certain inappropriate behaviors, have become the go-to disciplinary approach in many schools, though research suggests they have some downsides. Two alternate approaches that are more focused on changing behavior are restorative practices and PBIS—Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports.
 - [Click here for more information...](#)

- ❖ **NEW BEST Webinar: Measurement & Verification/Sustainability Plan Introduction**
 - **February 7, 2013, 10:00am-11:00am MT**
 - This webinar is designed for school districts and charter schools interested in learning how to improve long term value from their capital projects (particularly new schools, projects with HVAC systems and/or mechanical renovation projects) by incorporating measurement and verification strategies, as well as a discussion about the benefits of having a sustainability plan & vision in place.
 - To login in: <http://connect.enetcolorado.org/best-mv/>
 - Dial in: 800.832.0736
 - Access code: 4018076
 - [Click here for additional information...](#)

- ❖ **NEW Supportive School Discipline Webinar Series (archived)**
 - The Supportive School Discipline Initiative is aimed at targeting school disciplinary policies and practices that push youth out of school and many times into the justice system. Research has consistently demonstrated the negative impact of punitive and exclusionary school discipline practices but has also highlighted successful, supportive alternatives.
 - As a result of the growing body of evidence demonstrating the alarming relationship between widespread school suspensions and expulsions and involvement in the justice system, today's schools, courts, and communities require new thinking about how to positively approach discipline when children violate boundaries and policies in school. This Webinar, the first in the SSD Webinar Series, provides the knowledge that school, district, and court staff, law enforcement, and community stakeholders need to better understand the issues surrounding traditional school discipline practices and examples of how communities have shifted their disciplinary approaches.
 - [Download the presentation slides...](#)
 - [View the webinar recording...](#)

OTHER COLORADO TRAININGS

- ❖ **NEW Marijuana: The Blunt Truth**
 - **February 1, 2013, 6:00pm-8:30pm Cherry Hills Community Church, 3900 Grace Boulevard, Highlands Ranch, CO 80126**
 - Sponsored by the South Metro Substance Abuse Coalition
 - Featured speaker Dr. Christian Thurstone will talk about marijuana, state and federal laws and implications, drug trends and resources for help.
 - [Click here for the flyer...](#)

- ❖ **NEW ASIST Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training—Denver Metro Area**
 - **February 6-7, 2013, 7:30am-4:00pm both days, Douglas County School District, Cantril Building, 312 Cantril Street, Castle Rock, CO 80104**
 - April 4-5, 2013, 7:30am-4:00pm both days

- June 13-14, 2013, 7:30am-4:00pm both days
- September 24-25, 2013, 7:30am-4:00pm both days
- November 13-14, 2013, 7:30am-4:00pm both days
- Made possible by: Douglas County School District, Douglas County Sheriff's Office, Douglas County Suicide Prevention Alliance, South Metro Out of the Darkness Community Walk, and American Foundation for Suicide Prevention.
- Full 2-day training will teach participants suicide "first-aid" by recognizing a person-at-risk, keeping the person safe, and assisting the person in seeking further help.
- Cost: \$50 to community members; \$25 for DCSPA members
- [Click here for the flyer...](#)

❖ **NEW Brain Injury Alliance of Colorado 2013 Trainings**

- **March 1, 2013**, St. Francis Medical Center Auditorium, Colorado Springs -- [Brain Injury: Practical Approaches to Treatment](#)
- **March 22, 2013**, Imagine! Joe Taylor Conference Center, 1665 Coal Creek Drive, Lafayette -- Brainstorm 2013: Empowering Recovery
- **April 5, 2013**, Best Western PLUS Crossroads Inn and Conference Center, Loveland -- Pathways to Community: Brain Injury Professional Workshop with Dr. Al Condeluci
- **April 6, 2013**, Best Western PLUS Crossroads Inn and Conference Center, Loveland -- The SCENE (Survivor & Caregiver Education & Networking Experience): Advocating for a Better Community with Dr. Al Condeluci
- **April 25, 2013**, Pueblo Community College, Pueblo
- **May 4, 2013**, Two Rivers Convention Center, Grand Junction
- **June 26, 2013**, Durango Public Library, Durango
- **July 12, 2013**, Community & Senior Center, Frisco
- **August 15-17, 2013**, Western State College, Gunnison
- [Click here for the 2013 Regional Brain Injury Conferences flyer...](#)

❖ **NEW Statewide Convening on LGBT Youth for Adults Who Work with Youth**

- **March 23, 2013, 8:30am-3:00pm** University of Colorado Boulder, University Memorial Center, Room 235, 1669 Euclid Avenue, Boulder, CO 80302
- Hosted by One Colorado Education Fund and National Education Policy Center at the School of Education at the University of Colorado Boulder
- Provides tools, research and information for people who work with LGBT youth.
- Participants will choose from a variety of trainings and workshops on topics ranging from bullying intervention strategies to health and wellness.
- Register now at <http://www.one-colorado.org/convening>

❖ **NEW Restorative Justice on a Continuum...from the Basics to High Risk**

- **May 9-10, 2013**, Beth-El Mennonite Church, 4625 Ranch Drive, Colorado Springs, CO 80918
- Presented by the Pikes Peak Restorative Justice Council
- Multiple break-out sessions for beginners as well as experienced volunteers, facilitators and community members
- [Click here to register...](#)

❖ **Colorado Positive Behavior and Intervention Supports (PBIS) Training Calendar**

- [Please click here for the website for upcoming training opportunities](#)

❖ **Family, School and Community Partnering: “On the Team and at the Table” Stakeholder Training**

- **February 7, 2013, 9:00am-3:00pm Rodeway Inn, 1301 N. Main Street, Lamar, CO**
- Presented by the Colorado Department of Education
- Registration starts at 8:30am. Lunch is provided with coffee/tea in the morning
- [Click here for the flyer...](#)
- [Click here for registration...](#)

❖ **ASIST Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training—Western Colorado**

- **March 28-29, 2013, 8:30am-4:30pm both days, Colorado Mesa University Student Center, 1100 North Avenue, Grand Junction, CO 81501**
- May 9-10, 2013, 8:30am-4:30pm both days
- Full interactive 2-day workshop that prepares people from all backgrounds to provide suicide first aid and interventions
- Workshop fee: \$75
- Registration: email to Director@suicidepreventionfoundation.org. Make sure your subject line mentions “ASIST Registration”.

❖ **Knapsack Institute: Transforming Teaching & Learning**

- **June 9-11, 2013, University of Colorado, Colorado Springs**
- The Knapsack Institute supports educators across the nation as they create curriculum and pedagogy to build inclusive classrooms and organizations. The Institute is a program of The Matrix Center for the Advancement of Social Equity and Inclusion, the home of the White Privilege Conference. The Knapsack Institute provides participants with a framework for teaching about the matrix of privilege and oppression.
- The Institute welcomes all educators (K-12, higher education, diversity trainers, non-profit staff, etc.).
- For more information and to apply call 719-255-4767 or www.uccs.edu/matrix.
- [Click here for the flyer...](#)

CURRENT GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

❖ **NEW School Employee Wellness (SEW) Awards Program**

- **Applications due February 4, 2013**
- The Directors of Health Promotion and Education (DHPE) is now accepting applications for the 2012-2013 School Employee Wellness Awards Program (SEW). SEW recognizes schools and school districts that demonstrate commitment to the health of their employees by implementing quality school employee wellness programs.
- Awardees will receive special recognition for their efforts that include grants to be reinvested in their employee wellness programs (Bronze \$250, Silver \$500, Gold \$1000).
- [Learn more about School Employee Wellness...](#)

❖ **NEW Expelled and At-Risk Student Services (EARSS) Grant Program**

- **Application training webinars will be February 6, 2013, from 2:30pm-3:30pm with a repeat on February 7, 2013, from 9:00am-10:00am**
- **Applications are due April 2, 2013**
- The EARSS program assists in providing educational and supportive services to expelled students and students at-risk for expulsion through a comprehensive range of strategies that are proven effective to help these populations of students.

- Grant awards are anticipated to be \$1,000-\$3,000 **per student served**, depending on the intensity and length of services.
- [Click here for additional information...](#)

❖ **NEW Clean Air Projects (CAP): Educational Resources Linking Air Quality and Health**

- **Applications due February 8, 2013**
- Sponsored by The Denver Children’s Environmental Health Center and funding is made possible by the Environmental Protection Agency Environmental Education Sub-Grants Program.
- Grants are available for up to \$5,000 per award with approximately 20-25 grants available.
- Educational institutions and not-for-profit organizations may apply.
- [Click here for more information and to download the application...](#)

❖ **NEW All About the Fruits and Veggies Grant Program**

- **Applications due February 18, 2013**
- Jamba Juice has announced that it will award grants to 40 youth and school garden programs in the US.
- The All About the Fruits and Veggies grant program will provide youth garden initiatives with \$500 in gardening supplies, curriculum, soil amendments and plants to help create engaging nutrition and gardening experiences.
- The program is open to schools, community organizations and nonprofit gardening programs with at least 15 children between the ages of 3 and 18. Schools must be located within a 50-mile radius of a Jamba Juice store.
- [Click here for more information and to download the application...](#)

❖ **NEW Mentoring Best Practices Research**

- **Applications due February 19, 2013**
- Sponsored by the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP)
- This program seeks to enhance what is understood about mentoring as a prevention and intervention strategy for youth who are at risk of involvement or already involved in the juvenile justice system.
- States, units of local government, non-profit and for-profit organizations and institutions of higher education are eligible to apply.
- [Click here for the Program Announcement...](#)
- [Click here for Frequently Asked Questions...](#)

❖ **NEW Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program**

- **Applications due February 28, 2013**
- The Division of Criminal Justice is accepting applications for the 2013 Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program. The goal for the 2013 Colorado JAG Program as established by the Governor-appointed JAG Board is to support implementation of programs that prevent or reduce crime, delinquency, and recidivism; and that improve outcomes for those affected by crime, using innovative, multidisciplinary evidence-based, best, or promising practices.
- Units of government at the municipal, county and state level, including special districts may apply to the Office of Adult and Juvenile Justice Assistance, Division of Criminal Justice, for a JAG grant. The JAG program strongly encourages partnerships, so applications may support projects involving combined teams of agencies at all levels and including non-profit organizations.
- [Click here for the Announcement of Availability of Funds and more information...](#)

❖ **NEW Sober Truth on Preventing Underage Drinking Act (STOP Act)**

- **Applications due March 1, 2013**
- The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) is accepting applications for up to \$750,000 per year in STOP Act grants aimed at preventing alcohol use among underage youth in communities across the nation.
- The STOP Act program was created to strengthen collaboration among the federal, state, local and tribal governments and communities to more effectively reduce alcohol use among youth. This mission includes disseminating timely information to communities about state-of-the-art practices and initiatives that are proven to be effective in preventing and reducing alcohol use among youth. The STOP Act program enhances, not supplants, effective local community initiatives for preventing and reducing alcohol use among youth.
- Current and former Drug Free Communities Support Program grantees, including previous STOP Act grantees are eligible to apply.
- [Click here for a complete application package...](#)

❖ **NEW Promising Practices in Character Education**

- **Applications due March 17, 2013**
- Sponsored by the [Character Education Partnership](#)
- Promising Practices in Character Education are successful, unique ways of reinforcing character traits in PreK-12 students. Most practices are simple in scope and do not have extensive costs associated with them. They enable students to experience positive character firsthand, as well as enrich their lives and the lives of others.
- All schools, districts, and youth-serving organizations are eligible to apply.
- [Click here for more information...](#)

❖ **BEST Grant 2013-2014**

- **Applications due March 1, 2013, by 4:00pm**
- Capital Construction is accepting applications for Qualified Zone Academy Bonds allocations. The program is a way for school districts to obtain low or interest free financing for renovation, repair projects, and other needs. CDE does not provide funding, but provides authorization to a school district to obtain the low- or interest-free financing if the school district qualifies.
- [Click here for instructions and the application...](#)

❖ **Helen M. McLoraine Scholarship for Foster Care & Emancipating Youth**

- **Applications due March 18, 2013**
- The Helen M. McLoraine Scholarship Program for Foster Care & Emancipating Youth was created to provide educational scholarships for foster care youth who are emancipated or are in the process of preparing to emancipate from the foster care system in Colorado. Awards can be used toward part-time or full-time undergraduate study at any accredited U.S. post-secondary school (including trade, vocational, community college or four-year school). Award amounts will vary based on the individual student's academic plan, cost of attendance, and financial need of the applicant.
- [Click here for instructions and the application...](#)

RESOURCES

Research and Statistics Resources

❖ **NEW Monitoring the Future Study**

- [Monitoring the Future](#) is an ongoing study of the behaviors, attitudes, and values of American secondary school students, college students, and young adults.
- According to the most recent data from the national Monitoring the Future (MTF) study:
 - The percentage of US high school seniors reporting past month marijuana use continues to gradually increase
 - In 2012, 22.9% of 12th graders reported using marijuana in the past month, a 25% increase since the most recent low of 18.3% in 2006
 - While the current prevalence of marijuana use is far below the peak of 37.1% in 1978, it has returned to a level not seen since the late 1990s
- [Click here for more information on the 2012 study...](#)

❖ **Help-Seeking by Young People**

- [Help Seeking by Young People](#), based on "[Associations between suicidal high school students' help-seeking and their attitudes and perceptions of social environment](#)," *Journal of Youth and Adolescence*, 2012.
 - The reluctance of teens who have seriously considered suicide to seek help is not simple embarrassment or a lack of information, but often based on their perceptions – accurate or not – of whether asking for help will result in assistance that effectively addresses their problems.

Prevention Resources

❖ **NEW Brain Injury in Children and Youth: A Manual for Educators**

- Created in 2001 and updated in 2013, this manual was written as a joint effort between the Colorado Department of Education, The New Start Project within the Center for Community Participation at Colorado State University in Fort Collins, Colorado, and the Children's Hospital Colorado.
- Since 2001, research and practice has changed the area of brain injury significantly; therefore, it was felt that this Brain Injury manual required updating. The TBI Networking Team (TNT) Steering Committee took on the task of reviewing, re-writing and updating information.
- [Click here for more information...](#)

❖ **NEW Medicine Abuse Project**

- Sponsored by [Drugfree.org](#)
- The Medicine Abuse Project is a campaign to curb teen medicine abuse and ultimately save lives.
- The Project has a suite of resources for educators tailored specifically for teachers, school administrators, school nurses and other specialized instructional support personnel to help prevent medicine abuse in schools, homes and communities.
- [Click here for more information...](#)

❖ **NEW SpeakNow!**

- Sponsored by the Colorado Department of Human Services, Office of Behavioral Health
- SpeakNow! Is a bilingual campaign focused on providing parents and community influencers with the tools and information they need to have frequent conversations with Colorado youth on the dangers of teen drinking.
- Any school resource and safety personnel or anyone working with youth or parents are encouraged to complete the Survey Monkey below by **February 15, 2013**, to provide feedback on what types of materials would be most helpful in approaching the issue of teen alcohol use.
- <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/speaknowsurvey>

❖ **NEW Youth Sexual Health in Colorado: A Call to Action**

- Published by the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment in 2012 as part of the [Colorado 9to25](#) youth health initiative.
- The Call to Action addresses youth (9-24), families and communities across Colorado and provides strategies for communities to improve the health of young people by:
 - decreasing rates of sexually transmitted infections, including HIV;
 - decreasing the rates of unintended teen pregnancy;
 - decreasing the incidence of sexual assault and dating violence; and
 - increasing the participation by youth in educational career opportunities
- Click here for the [CO9to25 Youth Sexual Health](#) web page...

❖ **Children Exposed to Violence (CEV) Evidence-Based Database**

- The Safe Start Center has announced that a children exposed to violence (CEV) evidence-based database is now available on [CrimeSolutions.gov](#), a searchable database of evidence-based programs. The CEV database provides professionals working in diverse systems with free and easy access to vital information about programs to prevent and reduce the negative impacts of children's exposure to violence. Each program has been reviewed and rated using a scientific rating scale to determine the level of evidence for effectiveness in reaching desired outcomes.
- [Click here for the database...](#)

❖ **Environmental Protection Agency**

- [Model School Environmental Health Program](#) - EPA has developed a set of key actions to assist schools and school districts in implementing and sustaining environmental health programs. The model program identifies five broad components of environmental health issues encountered in schools and actions schools and school districts can take to address them.
- [Sensible Steps to Healthier School Environments: Cost-Effective, Affordable Measures to Protect the Health of Students and Staff \(2012\)](#) - This brochure is designed to address some of the most common areas of environmental health concerns found in schools.
- [Voluntary Guidelines for States: Development and Implementation of a School Environmental Health Program \(2012\)](#) - Will help states establish and sustain environmental health programs for K-12 schools. The guidelines present recommendations, case studies, and resources that will help states build or enhance an existing program.

❖ **Governance Guidelines for Juvenile Information Sharing**

- These guidelines provide research-based standards and methods for achieving juvenile information sharing. They are based on improvements from lessons learned at NJIS pilot sites in Colorado, as well as careful review from subject matter experts in the field.
- The guidelines contained in this document have been enhanced with the experiences of the pilot sites and modified to allow successful implementation of juvenile information sharing within local and state agencies and organizations.
- [Click here to check out the Governance Guidelines for Juvenile Information Sharing...](#)

❖ **Measuring School Climate: A Toolkit for Districts and Schools Produced by the Colorado Legacy Foundation and Colorado Department of Education**

- Effective approaches to addressing bullying focus on improving school climate as a key approach to prevent bullying in addition to teaching adults and students skills to respond appropriately to bullying when it occurs. Given the importance of school climate in bullying prevention, we recommend that

districts and schools focus on measuring school climate rather than narrowly focusing on measuring bullying.

- This toolkit provides guidelines for measuring school climate, assessing readiness, obtaining parent consent, using multiple sources of data to monitor climate, conducting a focus group, communicating your results, and includes a comparison of common climate surveys.
- [Click here for more information...](#)

❖ **Mobile Apps for Kids: Disclosures Still Not Making the Grade**

- This report released in December 2012 by the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) finds that many of today's most popular mobile applications for children are collecting personal information from those young technology users and sharing it with advertisers and other third parties without their parents' knowledge or consent.
- [Click here to read the report...](#)

❖ **Recommendations for Suicide Prevention and Related Risk Behaviors**

- By Mary Margaret Kerr, Ed.D., Professor of Child Psychiatry, Psychology in Education, and Administrative Policy Studies; Founding Co-Director, Services for Teens at Risk for Suicide (STAR-Center), University of Pittsburgh
- [Read the Recommendations for Suicide Prevention and Related Risk Behaviors](#)
- Watch a [recorded livestream](#) of Dr. Kerr discussing this report at the Youth Suicide Prevention and Intervention Symposium, November 29, 2012.

❖ **Report to Congress on the Prevention and Reduction of Underage Drinking**

- This Report to Congress summarizes the status of the latest scientific research regarding adolescent alcohol use, describes the characteristics and consequences of underage drinking, and outlines the comprehensive efforts of the Federal Government to address the problem. It also updates and expands the individual state reports. By addressing underage drinking in all of the environments in which youth live—family, school, communities, healthcare systems, and religious institutions—we can change the way that young people and their parents view underage drinking and create an environment in which underage alcohol use is understood as a serious public health and public safety problem, not a culturally ingrained rite of passage.
- [Click here for the full report...](#)
- [Click here for the Colorado report...](#)

❖ **School Health Index 2012**

- Created by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) Division of Adolescent and School Health (DASH).
- First released in 2000, the SHI is a self-assessment and planning tool that schools can use to improve their health and safety policies and programs.
- What's new in the SHI 2012 edition? SHI 2012 features:
 - Expanded focus that adds sexual health to the SHI health topics addressed, including policies and practices that schools can follow to help prevent HIV, STDs, and teen pregnancies.
 - Revised cross-cutting modules on family and community involvement, health services, and mental health services.
 - Updated nutrition content aligned with USDA requirements and recommendations from the Institute of Medicine.
- [Click here to view the School Health Index...](#)

Response Resources

❖ **NEW** Disaster Response Template Toolkit

- The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration's Disaster Behavioral Health Information Series (DBHIS) has released a new Disaster Response Template Toolkit featuring public education materials that disaster behavioral health response programs can use to create resources for reaching people affected by a disaster.
- Click here to download and learn more about DBHIS [templates](#) and [resources](#).

Recovery Resources

❖ **Defending Childhood: Protect, Heal, Thrive**

- Final recommendations from the U.S. Attorney General's Task Force on Children Exposed to Violence, December 2012.
- The report emphasizes prevention and intervention and underscores the importance of trauma-informed care and victim-tailored services. The task force calls on the federal government, states, tribes, and communities to ensure that all children exposed to violence are identified, screened, and assessed; and to create multidisciplinary councils to facilitate system-wide collaboration.
- [Click here for the recommendations...](#)
- [Click here to learn more...](#)

❖ **Disaster Distress Helpline**

- Call 1.800.985.5990 or text "TalkWithUs" to 66746. Text "Hablanos" to 66746 for Spanish
- TTY 1.800.846.8517
- The Disaster Distress Helpline, 1-800-985-5990, can provide immediate counseling to anyone who needs help in dealing with the many issues and problems that might arise from a tragedy.
- Sponsored by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), the Helpline immediately connects callers to trained and caring professionals from the closest crisis counseling center in the nationwide network of centers. Helpline staff will provide confidential counseling, referrals, and other needed support services.
- The Disaster Distress Helpline is a 24-hours-a-day, 7-days-a-week national hotline dedicated to providing disaster crisis counseling. The toll-free Helpline is confidential and multilingual, and available for those who are experiencing psychological distress as a result of natural or man-made disasters, incidents of mass violence, or any other tragedy affecting America's communities.
- Click here for more information...

❖ **Tips for Teachers and Parents Following School and Community Violence**

- A brief PowerPoint presentation on key talking points from the National Association of School Psychologists.
- [Tips for Teachers and Parents Following School and Community Violence](#)

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- Featuring daily updates on new research, resources, upcoming trainings, and Center activities.



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THE CSSRC 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 (www.Colorado.gov/SchoolSafetyResourceCenter or www.Colorado.gov/CSSRC) 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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