

# Colorado

Colorado has many agency programs and contacts that can help your school build a school safety plan. Check out these resources as you develop your plan.

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## **Office of School Safety (OSS)**

Colorado School Safety Resource Center, Grants Unit, and Crisis Response Unit

The three units of the Office of School Safety support Colorado schools with the School Safety Resource Center providing resources, consultation, training, and technical assistance, the Crisis Response Unit training school personnel in responding to critical incidents and assisting when called upon and the Grants Unit researching and managing grant opportunities for schools.

Website: https://oss.colorado.gov/about-us

### Safe2Tell

#### **Colorado Office of the Attorney General**

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#### Website: https://safe2tell.org

### **Colorado Department of Education**

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Website: https://www.cde.state.co.us/

### **School Climate**

#### **Colorado Department of Education**

The Colorado Department of Education school climate page shares resources to encourage positive school climates in Colorado.

Website: https://www.cde.state.co.us/dropoutprevention/schoolclimateandculturalproficiency

## **Colorado State Patrol K-12 Education Program**

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Website: https://csp.colorado.gov/community-outreach/pillar-k-12-education-program

## Center for the Study and Prevention of Violence (CSPV)

#### University of Colorado Boulder

Center for the Study and Prevention of Violence (CSPV) researchers have designed, conducted, and led comprehensive school and community initiatives and research studies that involve working in partnership with schools and communities to strategically select and effectively implement evidencebased programs, practices, and policies using a public health approach to create a world where individuals, families, and schools flourish in communities free from the harms of violence. Often their work involved grant funding to schools for their projects. Contact CSPV for more information.

Website: https://cspv.colorado.edu/

## **Contact Information**

## State and Local

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Colorado Dept. of Education 201 East Colfax Ave. Denver, CO 80203 <u>https://www.cde.state.co.us/</u> (303) 866-6600 https://www.cde.state.co.us/contact\_cde

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Colorado Dept. of Education 201 East Colfax Ave. Denver, CO 80203 <u>https://www.cde.state.co.us/dropoutprevention/schoolclimateandculturalproficiency</u> (303) 866-6601 <u>https://www.cde.state.co.us/contact\_cde</u>

## School Access for Emergency Response (SAFER) Grant Program

The School Access for Emergency Response program (SAFER) enacted by SB18-158 provides funding for interoperable communication hardware, software, equipment maintenance, and training to allow for seamless communications between existing school communications systems and first responder communications systems.

Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (DHSEM) 9195 E. Mineral Avenue, Suite 200 Centennial, CO 80112 <u>https://oss.colorado.gov/school-access-for-emergency-response-grant-program</u> (720) 852-6600 austin.geddis@state.co.us

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Colorado State Patrol Headquarters 700 Kipling Street Lakewood, CO 80215 <u>https://csp.colorado.gov/community-outreach/pillar-k-12-education-program</u> 303-239-4500 csppublicaffairs@state.co.us

### Federal

## **FEMA Region VIII**

Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Denver Federal Center, Building 710, Box 25267 Denver, CO 80225-0267 (877) FEMA MAP (1-877-336-2627) Email: FEMAMapSpecialist@riskmapcds.com

## **CISA Region VIII**

Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) Email: <u>CISARegion8@hq.dhs.gov</u>

Colorado Protective Security Advisors (PSAs):

Jamie Richards Protective Security Advisor, Region VIII - Colorado Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) 303-515-0837 jamie.richards@hq.dhs.gov

Jory Maes Protective Security Advisor, Region VIII - Colorado Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) 202-815-1659 Jory.Maes@hq.dhs.gov

## **FBI Regional Office**

Denver 8000 East 36th Avenue Denver, CO 80238 https://www.fbi.gov/contact-us/field-offices/denver (303) 629-7171

Covers the entire states of Colorado and Wyoming

## **HHS Regional Office - Region 8**

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) 1961 Stout Street, Room 08-148 Denver, CO 80294 Phone Number: (303) 844-3372 Fax Number: (303) 844-4545 Email: <u>HHSRegion8ORD@hhs.gov</u> Website: <u>https://www.hhs.gov/about/agencies/iea/regional-offices/region-8/index.html</u> Other

### **Fusion Centers**

Colorado Information Analysis Center (Primary) - 877-509-2422

## **State Resources**

Webpage

Overview of Emergency Drills for Parents/Guardians

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This resource provides parents and guardians with an overview of emergency drills and procedures that occur in schools.

Training Program

Threat Assessment - What Parents and Guardians Need to Know

This course can help parents and guardians understand why schools conduct threat assessments, the procedures involved, and best practices around schools notifying parents or guardians if their child is involved in a threat assessment.

Training Program

Adult Sexual Misconduct: What All School Staff Members Need to Know and Do

This training provides school staff with tools to recognize questionable behavior and respond appropriately if sexual misconduct is suspected.

**Training Program** 

CSSRC: Child Sexual Abuse Prevention Training

This suite of trainings provides educators, school staff, and mental health professionals with educational programs on child sexual development, mandated reporting of child abuse, healthy relationships, cyber safety and digital citizenship, and sexual misconduct in schools.

Report

Healthy Kids Colorado Survey (HKCS) & Colorado Healthy Schools Smart Source (Smart Source)

Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment

Healthy Kids Colorado Survey (HKCS) and Colorado Healthy Schools Smart Source (Smart Source), are Colorado's widely-administered surveys on the health and well-being of young people and school health policies and practices that support youth health. Data from HKCS and Smart Source are complementary and can be used together to provide a more complete picture of youth and school health.

Program

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## **State Grants & Funding Opportunities**

#### Building Excellent Schools Today (BEST) Grant Program

#### **Colorado Department of Education**

Since 2008 BEST has awarded approximately \$2.5 billion in grants to more than 525 Colorado schools, improving health, safety and security for nearly 300,000 students.

With funding from The Colorado State Land Board, Colorado Lottery, marijuana excise tax, and local matching dollars, BEST continues to improve Colorado's educational environments through capital construction projects helping schools to realize CDE's vision that "All students graduate ready for college and careers, and are prepared to be productive citizens of Colorado."

#### Colorado Kids 1st Grant

#### **COLORADO KIDS 1st**

Community groups and organizations with project proposals that comply with the Colorado Kids 1st program.

#### School Counselor Corps Grant Program

#### **Colorado Department of Education**

Colorado's School Counselor Corps Grant Program (SCCGP) funding is awarded to eligible school districts, BOCES, charter schools or Institute charter schools. The purpose of this program is to increase the availability of effective school-based counseling. Grant funds are also used to increase the level of school counseling services provided to improve the graduation rate and increase the percentage of students who appropriately prepare for, apply to, and continue into postsecondary education.

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## **State Events & Opportunities**

The Office of School Safety is making this training calendar available to all school and community professionals. You will find trainings that cover all five missions of school safety preparedness: prevention, mitigation, protection, response and recovery.

Learn More

Online Learning Modules created by the Office of School Safety

Office of School Safety

The OSS provides no-cost online trainings through Co.Train.org. These trainings allow individuals, regardless of their location, to participate in training opportunities through computers or devices with an internet connection.

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