**School Safety State Partner Newsletter**

School Climate Strategies and Resources for K-12 Schools

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Happy Spring, and welcome to the March edition of the **SchoolSafety.gov State Partner Newsletter**. This month, our focus is on strategies and resources to foster a positive school climate. School climate is a broad, multifaceted concept that involves many aspects of a student’s educational experience. Despite its complexity, the information shared in this newsletter will help K-12 schools and districts establish a school climate that enables students to thrive. We also have included recent updates to SchoolSafety.gov and topical upcoming events and opportunities offered through the Federal School Safety Clearinghouse. We are hopeful this information will help schools create a nurturing, positive, and safe learning environment, and advance school safety on a variety of fronts.

**Featured Resources**

While the circumstances that lead to violence are complex and far-ranging, research suggests that a positive school climate can lead to a significant decrease in the likelihood of crime, aggression, and violent behavior. Developing students with strong character who are connected to their peers, educators, and communities in meaningful ways can improve school climate, help prevent acts of violence, and lead to improved behavioral and academic outcomes.

School leaders and teachers can make character development a priority by supporting practices in the classroom and school, as well as collaborating with families and community organizations. Schools and districts should also implement social, emotional, and behavioral support systems to create a climate that supports and responds to student behavior. By engaging in a school climate improvement process, education leaders at the state, district, and school levels can increase the safety and success of all members of the school community.

Strategies to begin improving school climate include:

* Conducting a school climate survey and collecting data: Measuring school climate is critical for improvement because high-quality data allows schools and districts to better understand the perceptions of its students, staff, and parents; monitor progress; make data-driven decisions; involve stakeholders; and adapt to shifting needs related to school climate.
* Identifying measures and programs that are best suited for the school and implementing them: Once schools have identified areas of school climate and conditions for learning that need to be addressed, they must apply their data to make an informed decision about which programmatic interventions should be implemented to improve student outcomes. Implementation involves putting a plan into effect, including the process of monitoring progress, making adjustments, and evaluating impact.
* Considering expanding beyond school climate to incorporate social and emotional learning (SEL) and providing students access to treatment programs or professionals: Social and emotional learning involves the processes through which children acquire and effectively apply the knowledge, attitudes, and skills necessary to understand and manage emotions, set and achieve positive goals, feel and show empathy for others, establish and maintain positive relationships, and make responsible decisions. A growing body of research indicates that school-based efforts to promote students’ SEL represent an effective approach to enhance children’s success in school and life.

[SchoolSafety.gov’s School Climate Topic Page](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Furldefense.us%2Fv3%2F__https%3A%2Fwww.schoolsafety.gov%2Fschool-climate__%3B!!BClRuOV5cvtbuNI!V3rh0dCf3sSrCZu6XRfwEZBdmWbN3qDIscSZ96dH8e-t80xu_T1wAyLcOnzEc56SOcKREwM%24&data=04%7C01%7CStaci.H.Warren%40maine.gov%7C422356f9e83a4e0b6f4008da0d0ac065%7C413fa8ab207d4b629bcdea1a8f2f864e%7C0%7C0%7C637836637079956470%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000&sdata=tXGlnPP6st5fgtHKCaczaRsxWkGNTY1nyJDXBY0iuOI%3D&reserved=0) offers a variety of resources, programs, and tools that school communities can use to foster a positive school climate. For more information, see our [two-page infographic](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Furldefense.us%2Fv3%2F__https%3A%2Fwww.schoolsafety.gov%2Fsites%2Fdefault%2Ffiles%2F2022-03%2FSchoolSafety.gov_School_Climate_Strategies_and_Resources_March2022.pdf__%3B!!BClRuOV5cvtbuNI!V3rh0dCf3sSrCZu6XRfwEZBdmWbN3qDIscSZ96dH8e-t80xu_T1wAyLcOnzEc56Sf-IbrvE%24&data=04%7C01%7CStaci.H.Warren%40maine.gov%7C422356f9e83a4e0b6f4008da0d0ac065%7C413fa8ab207d4b629bcdea1a8f2f864e%7C0%7C0%7C637836637079956470%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000&sdata=yYi4V477pJ7JkRUBDgiCamY92hvWIkwxHwvVeFkxP10%3D&reserved=0) released earlier this month.

**Federal School Safety Clearinghouse Upcoming Events & Opportunities**

**Events, Webinars, and Conferences**

The SchoolSafety.gov [Events Page](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Furldefense.us%2Fv3%2F__https%3A%2Fwww.schoolsafety.gov%2Fopportunities__%3B!!BClRuOV5cvtbuNI!V3rh0dCf3sSrCZu6XRfwEZBdmWbN3qDIscSZ96dH8e-t80xu_T1wAyLcOnzEc56S2Qrz7Og%24&data=04%7C01%7CStaci.H.Warren%40maine.gov%7C422356f9e83a4e0b6f4008da0d0ac065%7C413fa8ab207d4b629bcdea1a8f2f864e%7C0%7C0%7C637836637079956470%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000&sdata=LyLrvqo9dKn36erPT%2BSO5PGy8DFnvROHJ5Rs0EAxiYg%3D&reserved=0) features upcoming school safety-related webinars and conferences presented by the Clearinghouse and its partners. Highlights include:

* [Medicaid and School Mental Health 101: How Can Schools Finance School Mental Health Services through Medicaid?](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Furldefense.us%2Fv3%2F__https%3A%2Fmhttcnetwork.org%2Fcenters%2Fsoutheast-mhttc%2Fevent%2Fmedicaid-and-school-mental-health-101-how-can-schools-finance-school__%3B!!BClRuOV5cvtbuNI!V3rh0dCf3sSrCZu6XRfwEZBdmWbN3qDIscSZ96dH8e-t80xu_T1wAyLcOnzEc56SZ5F_7Uw%24&data=04%7C01%7CStaci.H.Warren%40maine.gov%7C422356f9e83a4e0b6f4008da0d0ac065%7C413fa8ab207d4b629bcdea1a8f2f864e%7C0%7C0%7C637836637079956470%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000&sdata=33jz5ksemy%2FVzAqSant0550gg%2F2qscNGBr7DDFBgab4%3D&reserved=0) (March 30) – This webinar hosted by the Mental Health Technology Transfer Center Network will provide an overview of Medicaid and an introduction to how Medicaid finances school mental health services. The speakers will discuss the Medicaid benefits that can cover school mental health services, what child populations can be eligible for Medicaid, what providers can bill Medicaid for school mental health services, and related considerations for schools and community mental health providers.
* [Improving School Climate in K-12 Schools](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Furldefense.us%2Fv3%2F__https%3A%2Fwww.eventbrite.com%2Fe%2Fimproving-school-climate-in-k-12-schools-registration-296860205867__%3B!!BClRuOV5cvtbuNI!V3rh0dCf3sSrCZu6XRfwEZBdmWbN3qDIscSZ96dH8e-t80xu_T1wAyLcOnzEc56Si67zu_M%24&data=04%7C01%7CStaci.H.Warren%40maine.gov%7C422356f9e83a4e0b6f4008da0d0ac065%7C413fa8ab207d4b629bcdea1a8f2f864e%7C0%7C0%7C637836637079956470%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000&sdata=HodItgy7EYrOB9Ly871IpOflN5vOtlyKzCFUHMef%2FuY%3D&reserved=0) (March 31) – Please join the Federal School Safety Clearinghouse for an informational webinar on school climate featuring strategies, guidance, and resources for K-12 schools. Presenters from the U.S. Department of Education will provide an overview of how communities can improve school climate, help prevent acts of violence, and lead to improved behavioral and academic outcomes.
* [Active Shooter Preparedness Webinar - Region 4: HBCUs](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Furldefense.us%2Fv3%2F__https%3A%2Fwww.eventbrite.com%2Fe%2Fcisa-active-shooter-preparedness-webinar-region-4-hbcus-registration-277772734727%3Faff%3Debdsoporgprofile__%3B!!BClRuOV5cvtbuNI!V3rh0dCf3sSrCZu6XRfwEZBdmWbN3qDIscSZ96dH8e-t80xu_T1wAyLcOnzEc56S5ZGUwUU%24&data=04%7C01%7CStaci.H.Warren%40maine.gov%7C422356f9e83a4e0b6f4008da0d0ac065%7C413fa8ab207d4b629bcdea1a8f2f864e%7C0%7C0%7C637836637079956470%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000&sdata=oTDWiTYx4epeDRlk8Czh04jlYqMCm7jrxbPHZe6tGbc%3D&reserved=0) (April 8) – The Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency, Region 4 invites Historically Black Colleges and Universities to join a two-hour security webinar to enhance awareness of and response to an active shooter event. During the webinar, expert instructors will discuss the elements of active shooter incident response planning; describe common behaviors, conditions, and situations associated with active shooter events; describe how to incorporate key elements of successful incident management into planning efforts; and provide information about best practices, communications protocols, and resources available for emergency planning, preparedness, and response to active shooter incidents.
* [Cybersecurity Considerations for K-12 Schools and School Districts](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Furldefense.us%2Fv3%2F__https%3A%2Frems.ed.gov%2Ftrainings%2FCourseCybersecurity.aspx__%3B!!BClRuOV5cvtbuNI!V3rh0dCf3sSrCZu6XRfwEZBdmWbN3qDIscSZ96dH8e-t80xu_T1wAyLcOnzEc56SkNozQI8%24&data=04%7C01%7CStaci.H.Warren%40maine.gov%7C422356f9e83a4e0b6f4008da0d0ac065%7C413fa8ab207d4b629bcdea1a8f2f864e%7C0%7C0%7C637836637079956470%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000&sdata=IzdOr5Soeiprr2uSkkVSbXYGcg1aDxphq3ZwE4AFaqk%3D&reserved=0) (On-Demand) – This online course from the Readiness and Emergency Management for Schools (REMS) Technical Assistance (TA) Center is designed to help school personnel understand cybersecurity considerations that K-12 schools and school districts need to keep in mind to inform school emergency operations plans and safety, security, emergency management, and preparedness programs.

**Grants and Funding Opportunities**

April Deadlines:

* [Drug-Free Communities (DFC) Support Program – New](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Furldefense.us%2Fv3%2F__https%3A%2Fwww.grants.gov%2Fview-opportunity.html%3FoppId%3D334908__%3B!!BClRuOV5cvtbuNI!V3rh0dCf3sSrCZu6XRfwEZBdmWbN3qDIscSZ96dH8e-t80xu_T1wAyLcOnzEc56Sztx6MwQ%24&data=04%7C01%7CStaci.H.Warren%40maine.gov%7C422356f9e83a4e0b6f4008da0d0ac065%7C413fa8ab207d4b629bcdea1a8f2f864e%7C0%7C0%7C637836637079956470%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000&sdata=yGVpAEHGW2D8Eb40xiddM6VNRayRa1LmXux19RQ0op8%3D&reserved=0) (Application Deadline: April 11)
* [Drug-Free Communities (DFC) Support Program – Competing Continuation](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Furldefense.us%2Fv3%2F__https%3A%2Fwww.grants.gov%2Fview-opportunity.html%3FoppId%3D334940__%3B!!BClRuOV5cvtbuNI!V3rh0dCf3sSrCZu6XRfwEZBdmWbN3qDIscSZ96dH8e-t80xu_T1wAyLcOnzEc56SMhua8_8%24&data=04%7C01%7CStaci.H.Warren%40maine.gov%7C422356f9e83a4e0b6f4008da0d0ac065%7C413fa8ab207d4b629bcdea1a8f2f864e%7C0%7C0%7C637836637079956470%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000&sdata=L6nGblm4YQ3vkzYNH9DD9p2Zc3uyasNr37Pn49mfJ7g%3D&reserved=0) (Application Deadline: April 11)
* [The CDC National Centers of Excellence in Youth Violence Prevention: Rigorous Evaluation of Prevention Strategies to Prevent and Reduce Community Rates of Youth Violence](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Furldefense.us%2Fv3%2F__https%3A%2Fwww.grants.gov%2Fview-opportunity.html%3FoppId%3D336874__%3B!!BClRuOV5cvtbuNI!V3rh0dCf3sSrCZu6XRfwEZBdmWbN3qDIscSZ96dH8e-t80xu_T1wAyLcOnzEc56SyX361T4%24&data=04%7C01%7CStaci.H.Warren%40maine.gov%7C422356f9e83a4e0b6f4008da0d0ac065%7C413fa8ab207d4b629bcdea1a8f2f864e%7C0%7C0%7C637836637079956470%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000&sdata=3rXG%2FMgSIZGl2PK5rivsrU7DnACJYChmqkR1OScip0Q%3D&reserved=0) (Application Deadline: April 18)
* [Cooperative Agreements for the Garrett Lee Smith State/Tribal Youth Suicide Prevention and Early Intervention Program](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Furldefense.us%2Fv3%2F__https%3A%2Fwww.samhsa.gov%2Fgrants%2Fgrant-announcements%2Fsm-22-003__%3B!!BClRuOV5cvtbuNI!V3rh0dCf3sSrCZu6XRfwEZBdmWbN3qDIscSZ96dH8e-t80xu_T1wAyLcOnzEc56SbaKMb7s%24&data=04%7C01%7CStaci.H.Warren%40maine.gov%7C422356f9e83a4e0b6f4008da0d0ac065%7C413fa8ab207d4b629bcdea1a8f2f864e%7C0%7C0%7C637836637079956470%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000&sdata=%2BA2H1K6%2BUQ3WK55hP7qmf3fREDb0LRTLiWeCMv1tl%2BY%3D&reserved=0) (Application Deadline: April 18)
* [Grants for Expansion and Sustainability of the Comprehensive Community Mental Health Services for Children with Serious Emotional Disturbances](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Furldefense.us%2Fv3%2F__https%3A%2Fwww.samhsa.gov%2Fgrants%2Fgrant-announcements%2Fsm-22-007__%3B!!BClRuOV5cvtbuNI!V3rh0dCf3sSrCZu6XRfwEZBdmWbN3qDIscSZ96dH8e-t80xu_T1wAyLcOnzEc56S5lZwT3g%24&data=04%7C01%7CStaci.H.Warren%40maine.gov%7C422356f9e83a4e0b6f4008da0d0ac065%7C413fa8ab207d4b629bcdea1a8f2f864e%7C0%7C0%7C637836637079956470%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000&sdata=yuwBL4yLhPLW1Sl43G5EwEaSBG%2FVZC56HhXZaz%2FjL3k%3D&reserved=0) (Application Deadline: April 18)
* [Community Programs for Outreach and Intervention with Youth and Young Adults at Clinical High Risk for Psychosis](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Furldefense.us%2Fv3%2F__https%3A%2Fwww.samhsa.gov%2Fgrants%2Fgrant-announcements%2Fsm-22-008__%3B!!BClRuOV5cvtbuNI!V3rh0dCf3sSrCZu6XRfwEZBdmWbN3qDIscSZ96dH8e-t80xu_T1wAyLcOnzEc56SmM5lF9A%24&data=04%7C01%7CStaci.H.Warren%40maine.gov%7C422356f9e83a4e0b6f4008da0d0ac065%7C413fa8ab207d4b629bcdea1a8f2f864e%7C0%7C0%7C637836637079956470%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000&sdata=vXfhcxFhjYHKe56fBOfu2xXEh8YhDxXBz7DWHdbbkZE%3D&reserved=0) (Application Deadline: April 18)
* [NIJ FY22 Research and Evaluation on School Safety](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Furldefense.us%2Fv3%2F__https%3A%2Fwww.grants.gov%2Fview-opportunity.html%3FoppId%3D338554__%3B!!BClRuOV5cvtbuNI!V3rh0dCf3sSrCZu6XRfwEZBdmWbN3qDIscSZ96dH8e-t80xu_T1wAyLcOnzEc56SZcfR9CY%24&data=04%7C01%7CStaci.H.Warren%40maine.gov%7C422356f9e83a4e0b6f4008da0d0ac065%7C413fa8ab207d4b629bcdea1a8f2f864e%7C0%7C0%7C637836637079956470%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000&sdata=oxK%2BH3glPekWkMeyErkJa7AFrip5Ma5z%2F0zuhdnzpBw%3D&reserved=0) (Application Deadline: April 25)

May Deadlines:

* [Statewide Family Network Program](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Furldefense.us%2Fv3%2F__https%3A%2Fwww.samhsa.gov%2Fgrants%2Fgrant-announcements%2Fsm-22-010__%3B!!BClRuOV5cvtbuNI!V3rh0dCf3sSrCZu6XRfwEZBdmWbN3qDIscSZ96dH8e-t80xu_T1wAyLcOnzEc56SqeONCqc%24&data=04%7C01%7CStaci.H.Warren%40maine.gov%7C422356f9e83a4e0b6f4008da0d0ac065%7C413fa8ab207d4b629bcdea1a8f2f864e%7C0%7C0%7C637836637079956470%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000&sdata=goDb2fdx6YQrasVAmicrKVSJEoueW%2By6dQ8geuCkQjA%3D&reserved=0) (Application Deadline: May 2)
* [Project AWARE (Advancing Wellness and Resiliency in Education)](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Furldefense.us%2Fv3%2F__https%3A%2Fwww.samhsa.gov%2Fgrants%2Fgrant-announcements%2Fsm-22-001__%3B!!BClRuOV5cvtbuNI!V3rh0dCf3sSrCZu6XRfwEZBdmWbN3qDIscSZ96dH8e-t80xu_T1wAyLcOnzEc56SkakTfqA%24&data=04%7C01%7CStaci.H.Warren%40maine.gov%7C422356f9e83a4e0b6f4008da0d0ac065%7C413fa8ab207d4b629bcdea1a8f2f864e%7C0%7C0%7C637836637079956470%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000&sdata=flKwhp8u9us0tW%2BEdYWgtSSqXkE9siNfCBjaOvmkk%2Fk%3D&reserved=0) (Application Deadline: May 2)

Ongoing:

* [American Rescue Plan Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Furldefense.us%2Fv3%2F__https%3A%2Foese.ed.gov%2Foffices%2Famerican-rescue-plan%2Famerican-rescue-plan-elementary-and-secondary-school-emergency-relief%2F__%3B!!BClRuOV5cvtbuNI!V3rh0dCf3sSrCZu6XRfwEZBdmWbN3qDIscSZ96dH8e-t80xu_T1wAyLcOnzEc56Se_QTUIY%24&data=04%7C01%7CStaci.H.Warren%40maine.gov%7C422356f9e83a4e0b6f4008da0d0ac065%7C413fa8ab207d4b629bcdea1a8f2f864e%7C0%7C0%7C637836637080112697%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000&sdata=vsYrIPTsDBIuXaNvJLLwX4IS7gDy2LYhuG4iVdI%2BLU4%3D&reserved=0)
* [Project to Support America’s Families and Educators (Project SAFE)](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Furldefense.us%2Fv3%2F__https%3A%2Foese.ed.gov%2Foffices%2Foffice-of-formula-grants%2Fsafe-supportive-schools%2Fthe-project-to-support-americas-families-and-educators-project-safe%2Fapplicant-information%2F__%3B!!BClRuOV5cvtbuNI!V3rh0dCf3sSrCZu6XRfwEZBdmWbN3qDIscSZ96dH8e-t80xu_T1wAyLcOnzEc56Spft2WFI%24&data=04%7C01%7CStaci.H.Warren%40maine.gov%7C422356f9e83a4e0b6f4008da0d0ac065%7C413fa8ab207d4b629bcdea1a8f2f864e%7C0%7C0%7C637836637080112697%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000&sdata=0QHvcmj28ZdA1ntwpRENiG161wS2PR%2BeOzYAY%2FaGIUM%3D&reserved=0)
* [School Emergency Response to Violence (Project SERV)](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Furldefense.us%2Fv3%2F__https%3A%2Foese.ed.gov%2Foffices%2Foffice-of-formula-grants%2Fsafe-supportive-schools%2Fproject-serv-school-emergency-response-to-violence%2F__%3B!!BClRuOV5cvtbuNI!V3rh0dCf3sSrCZu6XRfwEZBdmWbN3qDIscSZ96dH8e-t80xu_T1wAyLcOnzEc56StdF8I8A%24&data=04%7C01%7CStaci.H.Warren%40maine.gov%7C422356f9e83a4e0b6f4008da0d0ac065%7C413fa8ab207d4b629bcdea1a8f2f864e%7C0%7C0%7C637836637080112697%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000&sdata=8QQurheooxQFqYY3ONIH0GIF1Zy6QHeFI07%2Bz%2FO0xgE%3D&reserved=0)

Visit the [SchoolSafety.gov Grants Finder Tool](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Furldefense.us%2Fv3%2F__https%3A%2Fwww.schoolsafety.gov%2Fgrants-finder-tool__%3B!!BClRuOV5cvtbuNI!V3rh0dCf3sSrCZu6XRfwEZBdmWbN3qDIscSZ96dH8e-t80xu_T1wAyLcOnzEc56SfXx3Z00%24&data=04%7C01%7CStaci.H.Warren%40maine.gov%7C422356f9e83a4e0b6f4008da0d0ac065%7C413fa8ab207d4b629bcdea1a8f2f864e%7C0%7C0%7C637836637080112697%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000&sdata=bBiiU2fe6bND4p%2Blts4cguD9zBqcqtX0%2B2GWDgPeXMU%3D&reserved=0) for additional school safety-related funding opportunities.

**Federal School Safety Clearinghouse & SchoolSafety.gov Updates**

We are pleased to share the following new programs, content, and resources from the Federal School Safety Clearinghouse and its partners:

**Emergency Planning**

* [Best Practice Considerations for Armed Assailant Drills in Schools](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Furldefense.us%2Fv3%2F__https%3A%2Fwww.safeandsoundschools.org%2Fwp-content%2Fuploads%2F2021%2F05%2FArmed-Assailant-Drills-in-Schools.pdf__%3B!!BClRuOV5cvtbuNI!V3rh0dCf3sSrCZu6XRfwEZBdmWbN3qDIscSZ96dH8e-t80xu_T1wAyLcOnzEc56STdsBcjY%24&data=04%7C01%7CStaci.H.Warren%40maine.gov%7C422356f9e83a4e0b6f4008da0d0ac065%7C413fa8ab207d4b629bcdea1a8f2f864e%7C0%7C0%7C637836637080112697%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000&sdata=xLnIh8vrS5F1ro4AuA5DyRViavBA%2BB3JYeyoy194Tt4%3D&reserved=0) - This document provides guidance on factors schools must take into account when conducting armed assailant drills. It reflects unique considerations within the school environment, including protecting both physical and psychological safety.
* [Planning to Recover from Emergencies at Districts and Schools](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Furldefense.us%2Fv3%2F__https%3A%2Frems.ed.gov%2FwebinarDetail%3Fid%3D17__%3B!!BClRuOV5cvtbuNI!V3rh0dCf3sSrCZu6XRfwEZBdmWbN3qDIscSZ96dH8e-t80xu_T1wAyLcOnzEc56SmOv5Q9k%24&data=04%7C01%7CStaci.H.Warren%40maine.gov%7C422356f9e83a4e0b6f4008da0d0ac065%7C413fa8ab207d4b629bcdea1a8f2f864e%7C0%7C0%7C637836637080112697%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000&sdata=JQ2syZ%2FLzGBYsiRPC8wCPwB%2Flvp0Asylq0gOUwcawak%3D&reserved=0) - This webinar recording provides an overview of how K-12 schools and districts can better plan to recover from emergency events and be ready for a range of threats and hazards.

**Mental Health**

* [10 Tips for Teaching the Psychological First Aid Model for K-12 Education Agencies](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Furldefense.us%2Fv3%2F__https%3A%2Frems.ed.gov%2FDocs%2FPFA_10_Tips_508C.pdf__%3B!!BClRuOV5cvtbuNI!V3rh0dCf3sSrCZu6XRfwEZBdmWbN3qDIscSZ96dH8e-t80xu_T1wAyLcOnzEc56SELzNADI%24&data=04%7C01%7CStaci.H.Warren%40maine.gov%7C422356f9e83a4e0b6f4008da0d0ac065%7C413fa8ab207d4b629bcdea1a8f2f864e%7C0%7C0%7C637836637080112697%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000&sdata=ED0vk%2FuFLAWvBLYPIh4R9gALyEBFg8sz0cmCgOT9s00%3D&reserved=0) - This tip sheet outlines the Psychological First Aid (PFA) model and provides educators guidelines on how to speak with students and peers who have experienced an emergency event or disaster.
* [Psychological First Aid: Addressing Mental Health Distress During Disasters](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Furldefense.us%2Fv3%2F__https%3A%2Femergency.cdc.gov%2Fepic%2Flearn%2F2020%2Fwebinar_20200422.asp__%3B!!BClRuOV5cvtbuNI!V3rh0dCf3sSrCZu6XRfwEZBdmWbN3qDIscSZ96dH8e-t80xu_T1wAyLcOnzEc56S4gNeCwY%24&data=04%7C01%7CStaci.H.Warren%40maine.gov%7C422356f9e83a4e0b6f4008da0d0ac065%7C413fa8ab207d4b629bcdea1a8f2f864e%7C0%7C0%7C637836637080112697%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000&sdata=nq2gzp6wPvC7X9Yt5zLAaJvPxyAfc%2FMpYbC1ZVPGCSE%3D&reserved=0) - This previously recorded webinar provides a brief overview of PFA and connects viewers with both online and in-person training resources.
* [Trauma-informed Care for Schools Before, During, and After Possible Emergency](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Furldefense.us%2Fv3%2F__https%3A%2Frems.ed.gov%2FwebinarDetail%3Fid%3D3__%3B!!BClRuOV5cvtbuNI!V3rh0dCf3sSrCZu6XRfwEZBdmWbN3qDIscSZ96dH8e-t80xu_T1wAyLcOnzEc56SCGtWljw%24&data=04%7C01%7CStaci.H.Warren%40maine.gov%7C422356f9e83a4e0b6f4008da0d0ac065%7C413fa8ab207d4b629bcdea1a8f2f864e%7C0%7C0%7C637836637080112697%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000&sdata=nOKJPJJHwFODNhfXZyKWdj4FoXBRlkvY%2BTXLq2pN57E%3D&reserved=0) - This archived webinar serves as a resource to help practitioners lead trauma-informed schools, address trauma in their overall preparedness efforts, and plan for the provision of trauma-informed care.

**Additional Safety Topics**

* [CDC Guide for Determining Close Contact and Quarantine in K-12 Schools](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Furldefense.us%2Fv3%2F__https%3A%2Fwww.cdc.gov%2Fcoronavirus%2F2019-ncov%2Fdaily-life-coping%2FK-12-infographic.html__%3B!!BClRuOV5cvtbuNI!V3rh0dCf3sSrCZu6XRfwEZBdmWbN3qDIscSZ96dH8e-t80xu_T1wAyLcOnzEc56SnW3VrEM%24&data=04%7C01%7CStaci.H.Warren%40maine.gov%7C422356f9e83a4e0b6f4008da0d0ac065%7C413fa8ab207d4b629bcdea1a8f2f864e%7C0%7C0%7C637836637080112697%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000&sdata=FcLS5ddBCHJBwxt34QtmXm3f12O3CsyE%2BCf48KyOxU8%3D&reserved=0) - This step-by-step guide helps members of the K-12 school community determine close contact and quarantine measures.
* [School Climate Strategies and Resources](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Furldefense.us%2Fv3%2F__https%3A%2Fwww.schoolsafety.gov%2Fsites%2Fdefault%2Ffiles%2F2022-03%2FSchoolSafety.gov_School_Climate_Strategies_and_Resources_March2022.pdf__%3B!!BClRuOV5cvtbuNI!V3rh0dCf3sSrCZu6XRfwEZBdmWbN3qDIscSZ96dH8e-t80xu_T1wAyLcOnzEc56Sf-IbrvE%24&data=04%7C01%7CStaci.H.Warren%40maine.gov%7C422356f9e83a4e0b6f4008da0d0ac065%7C413fa8ab207d4b629bcdea1a8f2f864e%7C0%7C0%7C637836637080112697%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000&sdata=K83gq2QhafKiZ0dzzWp%2FWZo7qgT5F3gZUbs38Bnvax0%3D&reserved=0) - This two-page infographic offers strategies and resources K-12 school communities can use to foster a positive school climate.

**SchoolSafety.gov Opportunities for State Partners**

We hope to provide you with opportunities to further engage with us as well as other states across the country. Below are several ways to share your resources, content, events, and opportunities within our state partner network and on SchoolSafety.gov:

* Please **submit resources and content** you would like to include on your SchoolSafety.gov state page by the next resource review cycle deadline on **April 15**. Suggestions for content include new school safety resources, programs, grants, events, and guidance, as well as federal and local agency contacts in your state. Please visit our page on [standards and guidance for submitting a resource](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Furldefense.us%2Fv3%2F__https%3A%2Fwww.schoolsafety.gov%2Fsuggest-resource__%3B!!BClRuOV5cvtbuNI!V3rh0dCf3sSrCZu6XRfwEZBdmWbN3qDIscSZ96dH8e-t80xu_T1wAyLcOnzEc56SuoycFPY%24&data=04%7C01%7CStaci.H.Warren%40maine.gov%7C422356f9e83a4e0b6f4008da0d0ac065%7C413fa8ab207d4b629bcdea1a8f2f864e%7C0%7C0%7C637836637080112697%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000&sdata=WSJI3WCS%2BUkm1GI973ElMVYiGSGD4ez7khKKaRryuY0%3D&reserved=0) for additional information, and [access the resource submission form here](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Furldefense.us%2Fv3%2F__https%3A%2Fwww.surveymonkey.com%2Fr%2FContentSubmissionSurvey__%3B!!BClRuOV5cvtbuNI!V3rh0dCf3sSrCZu6XRfwEZBdmWbN3qDIscSZ96dH8e-t80xu_T1wAyLcOnzEc56Sbs-O0e4%24&data=04%7C01%7CStaci.H.Warren%40maine.gov%7C422356f9e83a4e0b6f4008da0d0ac065%7C413fa8ab207d4b629bcdea1a8f2f864e%7C0%7C0%7C637836637080112697%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000&sdata=pS%2FpcFM95BS2tvDCfhRmnhF2SCs8wKnmaST9ddzhOCQ%3D&reserved=0).
* Please let us know by **April 15** if your state is hosting any **events and opportunities** that we can potentially feature in the April 2022 newsletter.

Thank you again for your continued support and participation. If you have any questions, comments, or suggestions for future newsletters, please contact us at SchoolSafety@hq.dhs.gov.

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