



FUNDING ANNOUNCEMENT FOR A MIDDLE SCHOOL DRUG PREVENTION PROGRAM

The Center for the Study and Prevention of Violence (CSPV), University of Colorado Boulder, is seeking schools containing grades 6-8 or 7-9 in selected states to implement the evidence-based LifeSkills Training (LST) Program, a middle school skill building/substance abuse and violence prevention program consistently proven to reduce alcohol, tobacco, and drug use. Positive outcomes also have been shown for violence, risky driving behavior, and other high-risk behavior. LST is recognized as a Model or Exemplary program by various government and private agencies, including the Blueprints for Healthy Youth Development list maintained by CSPV.

CSPV has learned about program replication successes and challenges by helping more than 300 school districts around the country implement the LifeSkills Training program. The grant will allow CSPV to provide three years of training and program materials to eligible schools, districts, and education agencies, beginning in fall 2019.

For more information about the LST program and CSPV's Blueprints for Healthy Youth Development, please see: <http://www.lifeskillstraining.com/> <https://cspv.colorado.edu/blueprints/> <http://www.blueprintsprograms.org/>

Requirements

- School or district containing grades 6-8 or 7-9, or educational agency.
- Support/commitment of schools and teachers.
- Assign a person (coordinator) in the district to oversee the LST effort.
- Ensure that teachers attend training workshops.
- Commitment to program integrity.
- Allow CSPV to monitor fidelity through classroom observations and site visits.
- Participate in a 10-minute teacher survey after the first full cycle of LST (\$20 incentive), annually.
- Complete a brief Site Coordinator survey at the end of each year.
- Provide demographics (gender and ethnicity) of students receiving program; no other reporting required.

Schools Receive

- Three years of LST curriculum materials, including student guides and teacher manuals.
- Teacher training workshops. All personnel who intend to teach the curriculum must attend.
- Teacher stipends or substitute pay reimbursement for teachers attending training workshops.
- Ongoing technical assistance, if requested (telephone, email, or in-person).
- Training of Trainers (TOT) workshops for interested persons.
- Regional workshops to help sites design and implement effective financing and sustainability strategies.
- Yearly reports by CSPV detailing implementation fidelity, challenges, and opportunities for improvement.

Application Timeline

The deadline for applications is **October 18, 2018**. All sites will be selected by the conclusion of the 2018-2019 school year and implementation will begin in fall 2019. **To obtain the application, contact your state's Grant**

Representative or visit: <https://cspv.colorado.edu/blueprints/lst-grant/>

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