



## Kentucky Center for School Safety 2011 - 2012 Training for Schools and Communities

The Kentucky Center for School Safety's training mission is:

***"to provide program development and implementation expertise and technical support for safe schools to schools, law enforcement agencies, and communities which may include training for administrators, teachers, students, parents and other community representatives."***

Factors that influenced the choice of topics included funding availability, demographics and current data trends as identified by Safe School Assessments conducted by the Kentucky Center for School Safety and Annual Safe Schools Data. The trainings will be based on publications and resources that have followed accepted practices for evidence-based research.

All trainings and materials will correlate with at least one of the Kentucky Standards and Indicators for School Improvement. Typically, the trainings correlate with Standard 4: School Climate; Standard 5: Family and Community Support; and Standard 6: Professional Development. All training events will be approved for Effective Instructional Leadership Act (EILA) credit and school board member in-service training credit.

Trainings that will be offered for the 2011 - 2012 school year are:

### **1. IN THE DRIVER'S SEAT - BUS DRIVER TRAINING**

**Trainer: Dr. Lynn McCoy Simandle, KCSS Consultant**

Public school transportation is a vast undertaking. Millions of students are transported daily in the United States, millions of miles are driven annually, and billions of dollars are spent annually. As any bus driver will tell you, operating the bus is the easy part of the job. Managing student behavior is by far the most difficult part of a bus driver's day. Additionally, managing behavior on a school bus is different from any other school setting. This workshop will provide bus drivers with a positive approach to student discipline. Drivers will learn strategies to prevent student misbehavior as well as how to handle misbehavior when it does occur.

Training locations, place, and time are:

- Friday, October 14, 2011  
Somerset, location to be announced  
9:00 – 12:00
- Saturday, March 10, 2012  
Georgetown, Hilton Garden Inn  
9:00 – 12:00

**There will be a \$30 fee for these sessions.**

## 2. QPR (QUESTION, PERSUADE, & REFER) TRAINING

### **Trainer: Lucy Riffle, KCSS Consultant**

The Kentucky Center for School Safety has partnered with the Kentucky Division of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services and the Kentucky Suicide Prevention Group to provide QPR training that is being implemented as the state model for suicide prevention. QPR is an acronym for Question, Persuade, & Refer. This model teaches persons to recognize the risk factors, protective factors, and warning signs associated with depression, suicidal ideation and suicidal behavior. The goal is for QPR to be as commonly taught as CPR, which is supported by the goal of having one person in every family trained in QPR. The model can be modified for usage in the appropriate audience such as public schools, government, colleges and universities, civic groups, churches, etc.

The training will teach individuals how to:

- Quality suicide prevention training to diverse audiences
- The four fundamental components of suicidal communication
- The three simple steps to help prevent a death by suicide (Question, Persuade, Refer)
- The role of depression and mental illness
- How to replace fear with positive action
- How to talk about suicide
- How to locate available resources and support.

Training locations, place, and time are:

- October 24, 2011  
Lexington, Clarion Hotel  
9:00 – 12:00
- November 11, 2011  
Hopkinsville, Holiday Inn  
9:00 – 12:00
- March 23, 2012  
Ashland, Ashland Police Department  
9:00 - 12:00

**These sessions will be free of charge.**

### **3. WORKING WITH DIFFICULT STUDENTS**

**Trainer: Charley Cheek, JKM Training, Inc.**

Trainers will give an overview of the student group and some of the specific issues that students bring to the table. They will explore family, peer groups, and academic influences. Prevention will be looked at by using positive behavior strategies and relationship building with special students. Intervention strategies with disruptive behaviors will be introduced starting with minor misbehaviors and moving up to heated confrontations. Emergency interventions will be discussed but physical strategies will not be taught. The session will conclude with a resolution model and intervention protocols (documentation, medical/mental health assessments) and staff debriefing.

Training location, place, and time are:

- December 5, 2011  
Louisville, Holiday Inn Hurstbourne  
8:30 – 4:00

**There will be a \$50 fee for this session.**

### **4. SYNTHETIC AND HERBAL SUBSTANCES TARGETING OUR STUDENTS**

**Trainer: John Branscum, KCSS Consultant**

School administrators and law enforcement are continually searching for ways to stay up-to-date on substances students are using or bringing to school. This presentation is meant to provide basic awareness on herbal incense products and other synthetic products that are being found in schools. The presenter will discuss several types of products available both locally and online. This presentation will discuss other ways youth are trying to get high along with stops communities and parents are taking to combat this new epidemic facing our youth.

Training locations, place, and time are:

- October 14, 2011  
Louisville, Holiday Inn Hurstbourne  
9:00 – 12:00
- March 16, 2012  
Richmond, ECU, Perkins Building  
9:00 – 12:00

**There will be a \$30 fee for these sessions.**

## 5. BULLYING - THE FLIP SIDE

**Trainer: Sgt. Scott Harvey, Nicholasville Police Department**

Bullying is a topic that is getting a lot of attention in our communities and media. What is it and what are the real problems? Participants will be asked to look at bullying from a completely different perspective. The untreated victim is the biggest safety threat to the schools. When it comes to bullying, everyone in the school is either part of the problem or part of the solution. Which side are you on? There is no middle ground!

Training locations, place, and time are:

- November 18, 2011  
Erlanger, Holiday Inn Cincinnati Airport  
9:00 - 12:00
- June 7, 2012  
Lexington, Clarion Hotel  
9:00 - 12:00

**There will be a \$30 fee for these sessions.**

## 6. SCHOOL SAFETY PLANNING FOR YOUR SCHOOL

**Trainer: Cyril Wantland, KCSS Consultant**

This session will focus on the components of a school safety plan including the aspects of prevention/mitigation, preparedness, response and recovery. Emphasis will be placed on school safety teams, planning for emergency events and the importance of including emergency responders in the preparation. A culminating tabletop exercise will complete the training day.

Training locations, place, and time are:

- November 16, 2012  
Somerset, Pulaski County Board of Education  
8:30 - 4:00
- June 8, 2012  
Erlanger, Holiday Inn Cincinnati Airport  
8:30 - 4:00

**There will be a \$30 fee for these sessions.**

## 7. **VERBAL JUDO FOR BULLYING**

### **Trainer: Sgt. Robert Carter, Madisonville Police Department**

Actions speak louder than words, but it is necessary to harmonize the two. In this two-day training, participants will learn to deal with conflict, understanding the power of words as they relate to those who bully as well as those who are bullied. The session includes practical exercises for various applications, and will be tailored for the individuals in attendance.

***Sticks and stones may break my bones but words hurt just as bad.***

Training locations, place, and time are:

- December 12 - 13, 2011  
Bowling Green, Holiday Inn University Plaza  
8:30 - 4:00
- June 11 – 12, 2012  
Nicholasville, Jessamine County 4H Extension Office  
8:30 - 4:00

**There will be a \$60 fee for these sessions.**

**Please go to the Kentucky Center for School Safety website ([www.kysafeschools.org](http://www.kysafeschools.org)) to register for the training events. For more information, please contact Lee Ann Morrison at 1-877-805-4277 or [leeann.morrison@ksba.org](mailto:leeann.morrison@ksba.org).**

### **Upcoming training events:**

- ***SAFE SCHOOLS, SUCCESSFUL STUDENTS CONFERENCE  
NOVEMBER 7 - 8, 2011 - LOUISVILLE***
- ***BULLYING PREVENTION SYMPOSIUM  
MARCH 19, 2012 - RICHMOND***
- ***9<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL SAFE SCHOOLS AND COMMUNITIES CONFERENCE (LAW ENFORCEMENT CONFERENCE)  
JUNE 19 - 21, 2012 - BOWLING GREEN***
- ***3<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL YOUTH LEADERSHIP SYMPOSIUM -  
JUNE 25 - JUNE 26, 2012 – ERLANGER***