## COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Expelled and At-Risk Student Services (EARSS)

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# EXPELLED AND AT-RISK STUDENT SERVICES (EARSS) PROGRAM

The "Services to Expelled Students" grant program was enacted by the Colorado state legislature in 1997. It was amended in 2000 to add services for students at-risk of expulsion and renamed as "Expelled and At-Risk Student Services." Funds can also support increasing school attendance for students at-risk of being declared habitually truant.

Funds are annually appropriated to the Colorado Department of Education for the purpose of making grants to school districts, alternative schools within school districts, charter schools, BOCES, non-profit, non-parochial schools, and facility schools. Grants are awarded on a competitive basis for a 4-year award period.

The state appropriation for FY15 matches the same level as FY14 at \$7,493,560. For the 2015-16 school year, 11 new grants were awarded and 33 continuation awards were made to grantees moving into years 2-4 for a total of 43 grantees.

Additional information can be found at: <a href="http://www.cde.state.co.us/DropoutPrevention/p\_EARSS.htm">http://www.cde.state.co.us/DropoutPrevention/p\_EARSS.htm</a>

## **BOARDS OF COOPERATIVE EDUCATION**

BOCES: Centennial Year of 4-year grant: 4

Contact: Tanisha Bules

Phone: 970-370-3663 2020 Clubhouse Drive Greeley, CO 80634

**School Name: Innovation Connections Academy** 

**Program Description:** Centennial BOCES' program will be utilized/offered at each member district. Interventions described in this application will target 125 students and will be administered within the RTI model to reduce suspensions and expulsions and improve attendance, credit accumulation, graduation rate and parental involvement. Programming includes credit recovery opportunities, parent outreach, truancy monitoring, utilization of Discovery and mentoring, and Saturday School/ISS as alternatives to suspension.

BOCES: Pikes Peak Year of 4-year grant: 3

**Contact: Deborah Montgomery** 

Phone: 719-622-2086

**FY16 Award Amount: \$121,897** 

**FY16 Award Amount: \$65,512** 

**Address:** 

Address:

2883 S. Circle Drive

Colorado Springs, CO 80906

Program Name: Tiered Intervention Program for High-Risk Youth

**Program Description:** Eight Pikes Peak BOCES School Districts have joined forces to create expanded options for their high risk students. The Tiered Intervention Program for High-Risk Youth will utilize home district, neighboring district, and Gorman Center services to deliver academic and behavioral interventions. Methods include online, classroom, video conferencing, and tele-behavioral health to increase high school completion. Parents will respond to weekly progress reports and have access to 24/7 behavioral crisis support.

**BOCES: Santa Fe Trail BOCES** 

Year of 4-year grant: 1 Contact: Sandy Malouff

Phone: 719-383-2623

**FY16 Award Amount: \$112,500** 

**Address:** 

302 Colorado Avenue La Junta, CO 81050

**Program Name: SFTBOCES Alternative Education Academy** 

**Program Description:** Santa Fe Train BOCES Alternative Education Academy will provide a high engagement environment by offering a blended learning environment to up to 60 students in grades 7-12 who are at-risk for expulsion, suspension, truancy or dropping out of school. The SFTBOCES AEA will provide students with online courses, flexible scheduling, field experiences, vocational opportunities, project-based learning, community service-learning opportunities and counseling services. There will be a focus on attendance, targeted instruction, positive behavior components, vocational and career skill development, and increased parental engagement.

**BOCES: South Central BOCES** 

Year of 4-year grant: 1 Contact: Dr. Henry Roman Phone: 719-647-0023 v138

Phone: 719-647-0023 x138

323 South Purcell Boulevard
Pueblo West, CO 81007

#### **Program Name:**

**Program Description:** The proposed Dropout Prevention Program will provide comprehensive social-emotional learning (SEL) support, promote increased parent engagement, and work to reengage and support EARSS-eligible students. Funding will support 135 students in grades 6-12, beginning in Fall 2015, at the following South Central Board of Cooperative Educational Services (SC BOCES) member districts: Huerfano, Aguilar, La Veta, Hoehne, Trinidad, Primero, Branson, Cotopaxi and Custer County.

**FY16 Award Amount: \$305,100** 

Address:

## **CHARTER SCHOOLS**

Charter Authorizer/Fiscal Manager: Harrison School District County: El Paso

Year of 4-year grant: 3 FY16 Award Amount: \$104,535

Contact: Danny Gibbons Address:

Phone: 719-358-7196 1602 S. Murray Boulevard Colorado Springs, CO 80916

**School Name: Atlas Preparatory School** 

**Program Description:** Atlas Preparatory School will expand and enhance direct intervention supports and services to significantly decrease suspension, habitual truancy, and expulsion rates at the middle and high school levels. Research-based, multi-tiered interventions such as in-school suspension, counseling services, and restorative family workshops will identify students at high risk of expulsion (including a focus on two subgroups exhibiting disproportionately higher rates) before they reach crisis level. An estimated 1,164 students in grades 5-12 will be served over the grant period.

Charter Authorizer/Fiscal Agent: Falcon 49 School District Counties Served: Pueblo, Fremont,

Otero

Year of 4-year grant: 4 FY16 Award Amount: \$55,500

Contact: Carolyn Gery Address:

Phone: 719-248-8669 107 W. 11<sup>th</sup> Street Pueblo, CO 81003

**School Name: GOAL Academy** 

**Program Description:** 120 previously expelled or suspended high school students will work toward a diploma in a high expectation, high support environment. A licensed therapist and skilled interventinist will engage students in social emotional skill building activities. Parent classes will focus on identifying existing strengths, improving communication and establishing appropriate roles.

Charter Authorizer/Fiscal Agent: HOPE Online Learning

**Academy Co-Op** 

Year of 4-vear grant: 2 **Contact: Susan McAlonan** 

Phone: 720-402-3000

Phone: 303-894-3160

**Counties Served:** 

**FY16 Award Amount: \$126,500** 

**Address:** 

373 Inverness Parkway Suite 205

Englewood, CO 80112

School Name: HOPE Online Learning Academy Co-Op

**Program Description:** HOPE Project Restore

The EARSS grant is intended to increase academic success and the ability for students to follow the code of conduct by increasing access to mental health support, provide assistance to those families who are typically underserved to access mental health services, provide social/emotional curriculum instruction to middle school students once a week to mitigate lack of impulse control, bullying and expand their ability to think critically and plan, and provide behavioral support in the classroom with home connections for students struggling with mental health and behavior issues.

Charter Authorizer/Fiscal Agent: Charter School Institute Counties of Schools: Adams, Arapahoe,

Jefferson

Year of 4-year grant: 4 **FY16 Award Amount: \$76,240 Contact: David Rein** 

Address:

925 S. Moagara Street Suite 140

**Denver, CO 80224** 

School Name: New America School (Lowry, Denver, Lakewood)

**Program Description:** Three Colorado charter schools will establish guided learning programs for expelled students, In-school suspension programs, case management for the students most at-risk of expulsion and whole-school interventions such as Discovery-informed classes and Restorative Justice. These initiatives will serve 170 students ages 15-20.

Charter Authorizer/Fiscal Agent: Montezuma-Cortez School **County of School: Montezuma** 

**District Re-1** 

Year of 4-vear grant: 2 FY16 Award Amount: 244,200

**Contact: Dave Finely** Address:

Phone: 970-565-1150 401 N Dolores Rd PO Box DD

**Cortez, CO 81321** 

**School Name: Southwest Open School** 

**Program Description:** Project Engage will provide support for 125 students at Southwest Open School by improving and differentiating curriculum and instructional strategies to support engagement and learning readiness by expanding the school's character education program, by paring identified students with highly trained and caring advisors/mentors/advocates that systematically provide research-based behavioral and emotional interventions to buoy student success in the areas of attendance and learning readiness, while at the same time engaging the student's families to bolster support.

## SCHOOL DISTRICTS

**District: Academy School District 20** 

Year of 4-year grant: 1 Contact: Dr. Jim Smith Phone: 719-234-1213 County: El Paso

**FY16 Award Amount: \$213,309** 

**Address:** 

110 Chapel Hills Drive

Colorado Springs, CO 80920

**School Name: Academy School District 20** 

**Program Description:** An analysis of all D20 secondary students, identified 241 students as significantly atrisk. The EARSS Grant will provide the necessary funds to support these students and their families, through the implementation of Student Advocates For Engagement (SAFE), at targeted secondary strands. SAFE counselors will identify the significantly at-risk students in their strand and provide support through facilitating groups, individualized goal setting, social-emotional learning, parent outreach, connecting community resources with families and monitoring social, emotional, and academic growth of identified students.

District: Adams County School District 14 County: Adams

Year of 4-year grant: 1 FY16 Award Amount: \$249,600

Contact: Ruben Chacon Address:

Phone: 720-839-2300 5291 E 60<sup>th</sup> Avenue

Commerce City, CO 80022

**School Name:** 

**Program Description:** Adams 14 has identified three significant predictors of dropout: (1) low school attendance, (2) failing core courses, (3) behavior issues. Previous studies (Balfanz) have identified these same characteristics as early warning signs.

These characteristics are not only evident at the high school level. Thus, Adams 14 must plan to intervene as early as kindergarten and design the appropriate path for school success. Adams 14 will strategically target 200 EARSS-eligible students while building district capacity and intervention frameworks.

District: Adams 50 School District County: Adams

Year of 4-year grant: 2 FY16 Award Amount: \$438,660 Contact: Kristi Labriola Address:

Phone: 720-542-5298 7200 Lowell Blvd Westminster, CO 80030

**Program Name: Adams 50 CARES** 

**Program Description:** Adams 50 CARES (Creating A Responsible and Engaged Student) will reach 800 atrisk and suspended/expelled/truant students at the elementary and middle school level. The program will provide parent support, academic support, behavioral plans/monitoring, mentoring, wellness services, and reintegration of expelled students in the school setting. The intervention will reduce truancy and suspension rates, improve academic performance, and improve parent capacity to support their children. Adams 50 CARES will also establish a district-wide restorative justice approach that will restructure school culture.

**District: Arapahoe County School District 6** 

Year of 4-year grant: 4 **Contact: Nate Thompson** 

Phone: 303-347-3570

**County: Arapahoe** 

**FY16 Award Amount: \$135,817** 

Address:

5776 S. Crocker Street Littleton, CO 80120

**Program Name: Alternative Education** 

**Program Description:** The EARSS grant will provide services to district alternative education programs serving 300 students, grades 6-12, using social and emotional and restorative approaches to address behavioral issues, with the goal of reducing truancy, suspensions and expulsions and increasing parent engagement, youth leadership, and academic achievement.

**District: Aurora Public Schools** 

Year of 4-vear grant: 4 **Contact: Barbara Chapman** Phone: 303-344-8060 x29006 **FY16 Award Amount: \$210,998** 

Address:

15701 E. 1st Avenue, Suite 217

Aurora, CO 80011

**County: Arapahoe** 

**Program Name: Early Intervention Program** 

**Program Description:** The EARSS grant will help develop a district-wide systemic process of Multi-Tiered Systems of Support focused on the more intensive issues occuring in the RtI/PBIS continuum within the Secondary/ Tertiary Prevention Tiers. The grant will support over 750 students at two elementary schools, a middle school and high school.

**District: Boulder Valley School District Re-2** 

Year of 4-vear grant: 2 **Contact: Michele DeBerry** 

Phone: 720-542-5298

County: Boulder, Broomfield **FY16 Award Amount: \$294,319** 

**Address:** 

6500 Arapahoe Rd Boulder, CO 80303

**Program Name: Boulder At-Risk Student Services (BARSS)** 

Program Description: The Boulder At-Risk Student Services (BARSS) will provide intensive intervention and wraparound services to the district's highest risk students, serving all 58 schools. The project will target children/youth from preschool through 12<sup>th</sup> grade who demonstrate multiple risk factors in addition to current truancy and/or delinquency. Services will include: comprehensive needs assessment, counseling, restorative justice for in-school and out-of-school delinquency/infractions, meaningful and specific parent engagement, mental health services, academic/college/career/attendance/behavioral plans, rigorous and extended monitoring, and supports to access other school, district and community resources to help the child and family.

**District: Center Consolidated Schools** 

Year of 4-vear grant: 3 **Contact: Katrina Ruggles** Phone: 719-754-2232

**County: Saguache** 

**FY16 Award Amount: \$168,435** 

Address: 550 S. Sylvester **Center, CO 81125** 

**Program Name: Center Consolidated Schools** 

**Program Description:** In an effort to reduce the number of suspensions, expulsions, and students who drop out from Center Consolidated Schools, the Response to Intervention (RTI) will provide wrap-around services to increase academic performance, student engagement, and attendance, and to reduce behavioral referrals through academic support and tutoring, counseling, social-skills development, and mentoring to 88 at-risk students in grades 6-12. To support these efforts, parent engagement will be promoted through parent education events and mentoring.

District: Cherry Creek School District 5

Year of 4-year grant: 1 Contact: Mark Morgan

Phone: 720-886-7203

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**County: Arapahoe** 

**FY16 Award Amount: \$385,566** 

**Address:** 

14076 East Briarwood Avenue

Centennial, CO 80112

**Program Name: Endeavor Academy** 

**Program Description:** Cherry Creek School District will implement a multi-tiered approach to reduce truancy rates for students at Endeavor Academy (EA) as well as increase credit recovery for students who are at-risk or expelled district-wide. By 2019, 1,732 at-risk students will improve their attendance and academic outcomes. This will be obtained through expansion of truancy interventions, alternative education, substance abuse and social-emotional in-school suspension supports, community partnerships, truancy, and Wrap-around case management, Service Learning, Experiential Education and Restorative Justice.

**District: Denver Public Schools** 

Year of 4-year grant: 4 Contact: Amy McDiarmid

Phone: 720-424-8459

**County: Denver** 

**FY16 Award Amount: \$75,145** 

**Address:** 

2727 Columbine Street Denver, CO 80205

**School Name: PREP Academy** 

**Program Description:** Most PREP Academy students have incurred difficulty with the traditional education system. The majority were expelled. The Discovery Program character education will deliver skills to promote academic and social success. The curriculum will be delivered in a boot camp format, 6 hours a day, for 6 weeks.

District: Durango School District 9R County: La Plata

Year of 4-year grant: 3 Contact: Jacqueline Oros

Phone: 970-247-5411 x1100

FY16 Award Amount: \$160,158

Address:

201 E. 12<sup>th</sup> Street Durango, CO 81301

Program Name: Durango/Bayfield Youth & Family Services

**Program Description:** Durango School District 9-R, in partnership with Bayfield School District 10 jt-R and other agencies, seeks to create 4 new programs that will include: 1) a School Multidisciplinary Assessment Review Team (SMART); 2) the establishment of an Alternative Learning Center for students that are unwilling or unable to return to a traditional classroom; 3) the expansion of the Check and Connect Program to eight additional schools; and 4) the provision of expanded assessment, evaluation and intervention services to underserved students.

District (Acting) Fiscal Agent: Denver Public Schools County: Denver

Year of 4-year grant: 4 FY16 Award Amount: \$49,335 Contact: Nita Gonzales Address:

Phone: 303-964-8993 2949 Federal Boulevard Denver, CO 80211

**School Name: Escuela Tlatelolco** 

**Program Description:** Escuela Tlatelolco will provide educational services to 35 at-risk students in grades 7-9 at 2949 Federal Boulevard in Denver. Eighty-five percent (85%) will increase academic achievement and reduce delinquent behaviors. Strategies include: (1) intensive math and literacy instruction, (2) experience cultural education, (3) restorative justice discipline, and (4) family engagement.

**District: Fountain-Fort Carson School District 8** 

Year of 4-year grant: 4 Contact: Clinton Allison

Phone: 719-382-1570

County: El Paso

**FY16 Award Amount: \$92,845** 

**Address:** 

10665 Jimmy Camp Road Fountain, CO 81007

**Program Name: Middle School Student Support Program** 

**Program Description:** The project will provide an interim step for at-risk middle school students prior to referral to an alternative educational setting. Students will be referred to the program as part of the RtI process.

Programming includes utilization of Discovery, mentoring, parent outreach and educational support.

**District: Greeley Evans School District 6** 

Year of 4-year grant: 3 Contact: Ann Hudson Phone: 970-348-6303 **County: Weld** 

**FY16 Award Amount: \$201,246** 

**Address:** 

1025 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue Greeley, CO 80631

**Program Name: Greeley Evans School District 6** 

**Program Description:** Greeley-Evans School District 6 will support 120 freshmen, at 3 local high schools, who are habitually absent, continually receiving disciplinary action, and at risk of being expelled, in an intensive four-year truancy reduction program. Goals recommended by the OMNI Institute through an intensive needs assessment analysis will be included in this proposal: increasing student support systems; and developing consistent system-level protocols and practices among school administrators.

District: Jefferson County Public School District County: Jefferson

Year of 4-year grant: 1 Contact: Dave Kollar

Phone: 303-982-6794

County: Jenerson

**FY16 Award Amount: \$204,994** 

**Address:** 

1829 Denver West Drive #27

**Golden, CO 80401** 

**Program Name: Office of Student Engagement** 

**Program Description:** The Jefferson County Public Schools Expelled and At-Risk Intervention Program will provide intervention support and case management to youth in Jeffco Schools identified with data driven at-risk indicators as well as students who, throughout the course of the project display substance abuse related behaviors. The goal is to prevent repeat behavior (suspension/expulsion) and improve the attendance and academic standing of these youth.

**District: Mancos School District** 

Year of 4-year grant: 3 Contact: Brian Hanson

Phone: 970-533-7748

**County: Montezuma** 

**FY16 Award Amount: \$47,781** 

Address:

395 W. Grand Avenue Greeley, CO 80631

Program or School Name: Mancos Middle and High School

**Program Description:** The Mancos School District EARSS Grant is two fold; half will focus on evidence based therapeutic interventions and the second half will be a math focused mentoring program. The therapeutic interventions funded through this grant will provide trauma assessments, therapeutic interventions, parent support groups and trauma awareness training for school staff. Through the introduction of a Math Mentor, we will be able to provide 1-1 targeted interventions which can be tailored to each students needs. Using these two tactics, we expect to see significant improvements in grades and a decrease in suspensions and expulsions.

District: Mapleton Public Schools County: Adams

Year of 4-year grant: 4 FY16 Award Amount: \$60,241

Contact: Donna Clifford Address:

Phone: 303-853-1008 591 E. 80th Avenue Denver, CO 80229

Program Name: Mapleton Expelled and At-Risk Student Services Program

**Program Description:** To improve parent capacity, student attendance/achievement and school safety/discipline, the district will provide: A Student Re-Entry Resource Center, Alternatives to Suspension program, and Love & Logic classes twice, one in English and one in Spanish to focus on parents with at-risk students.

District: Mesa County Valley School District County: Mesa

Year of 4-year grant: 4

Contact: Catherine Ebel/John Pomaski Phone: 970-254-5488/970-254-7500

Basil T Knight Center 2523 Patterson Road Grand Junction, CO 81505

**Address:** 

**FY16 Award Amount: \$116,754** 

**Program Name: Prevention Services** 

**Program Description:** The program will serve 1,200 students grades K-12 in 39 of our district schools. Attendance advocates will support students with below 80% attendance and address barriers to attendance. Substance use suspensions are addressed through a partnership with Colorado West Mental Health. This consists of evaluation, education and therapy for identified students with tutoring for skill deficits.

District: Monte Vista School District (Monte Vista C-8)

County: Rio Grande

Year of 4-year grant: 2 FY16 Award Amount: \$168,170

Contact: Robert Webb Address:

Phone: 719-852-5996 345 East Prospect Ave Monte Vista, CO 81144

Program Name: Monte Vista School District-Truancy Mediation/Restorative Discipline

**Program Description:** The Monte Vista School District will employ a comprehensive approach to truancy and behavior concerns through a focus on restorative discipline and academic credit recovery. Truancy Mediation and Behavior Mediation will be key restorative discipline interventions and will help identify academic and other supports that students need in order to succeed. Efforts will also be focused on gathering more complete data to better measure their success.

District: Montezuma-Cortez School District RE-1 County: Montezuma

Year of 4-year grant: 2 FY16 Award Amount: \$298,474

Contact: Jeff Carr
Phone: 970-749-0485
PO Drawer R
Cortez, CO 81321

Program Name: Montezuma Student Support Program

**Program Description:** The Montezuma Student Support Program (MSSP) will build a comprehensive student support system within Montezuma-Cortez High School and Cortez Middle School, within the ABC's of drop-out/expulsion/truancy risk factor indicators; Attendance, Behavior and Credits. The purpose of MSSP is to institutionalize a system and culture that provides educational and supportive services to expelled students, students at-risk for expulsion, and students who are habitually truant.

**District: Mountain Valley School District RE-1** 

**County: Saguache** Year of 4-year grant: 1 **FY16 Award Amount: \$123,600** 

**Contact: Megan Strauss** Address: Phone: 719-655-2578 403 Pitkin Ave Saguache, CO 81149

**Program Name: Mountain Valley School District RE-1** 

**Program Description:** Mountain Valley School District RE-1 will be the acting fiscal agent for Mountain Valley and Moffat Consolidated School District 2. The acting fiscal agent would provide direct intervention supports to 75 EARSS-eligible students at these schools. The program would include services for eligible students in the form of AmeriCorps volunteers as mentors, tutoring, credit recovery, GED, leadership activities and counseling. The schools would work with families of EARSS students to meet their specific needs to graduate and reduce truancy.

**District: Peyton School District 23 JT County: El Paso** 

Year of 4-vear grant: 3 **FY16 Award Amount: \$124,576 Contact: Charine Chase** Address:

Phone: 719-749-0417 x517 13885 Bradshaw Road **Peyton, CO 80831** 

Program Name: Peyton Junior/Senior High School

**Program Description**: Peyton Junior/ Senior High School will create the OPS program (Opportunities for Peyton Students) during school hours to meet academic and behavioral support needs of 75 students in grades 7-12 identified as at risk for possible suspensions and/or expulsion. We will use positive behavior programs, academic interventions, targeted instruction, a focus on attendance, and increased parental involvement to help at-risk students be successful in their classes and avoid future suspensions and/or expulsion. Parent involvement programs will occur mainly after school hours.

**District: Poudre School District County: Larimer** 

**FY16 Award Amount: \$111,472** Year of 4-year grant: 3

**Contact: Troy Krotz Address:** 

Phone: 970-490-3295 2540 Laporte Avenue Fort Collins, CO 80521

**Program Name: Poudre School District** 

**Program Description:** Poudre School District faces an ever-growing problem of chronic absenteeism leading to habitual truancy and the many negative consequences of students missing school. This program will address 600 of the most at-risk students in four years with attendance monitoring, family programs, individual interventions, and coaching towards graduation, allowing PSD to meet CDE's goal of assisting habitual truants to remain in school.

**District: Pueblo City Schools County: Pueblo** 

Year of 4-year grant: 4 **FY16 Award Amount: \$156,600** 

**Contact: Christine Elich Address:** 

315 W. 11<sup>th</sup> Street Phone: 719-549-7188 **Pueblo, CO 81003** 

**Program Name: Pueblo City Schools Alternative Support Programs** 

**Program Description:** This will provide a comprehensive program for students demonstrating a need for specific, targeted, research-based interventions. The reduction of truancy, behavior, and suspension and expulsion rates will have a significant impact on achievement for students in the district. The program will service 300 school age students per year.

District: School District 27J County: Adams

Year of 4-year grant: 2 FY16 Award Amount: \$349,847

Contact: Kevin West Address:

Phone: 303-655-2816 18551 E 160<sup>th</sup> Ave Brighton, CO 80601

**Program Name: 27J Intervention Services Program** 

**Program Description:** Brighton School District 27J seeks funding to add services designed to improve school attendance, academic achievement, social/emotional functioning and parent capacity. The proposed services include: expand educational programming for expelled services; students at-risk of expulsion or suspension and habitually truant students; alternative to suspension classes; individual and family therapy; intensive mental health services; service learning and restorative justice; individual case mentoring; social/emotional curriculum; and parenting classes. These services are expected to reach 226 students grades K-12 each year.

District: Sheridan School District 2 County: Arapahoe

Year of 4-year grant: 4 FY16 Award Amount: \$145,463

Contact: Jackie Webb Address:

Phone: 720-833-6932 4000 S. Lowell Boulevard Denver, CO 80236

**School Name: Sheridan High School** 

**Program Description:** This grant will expand the current Student Outreach and Academic Recovery (SOAR) program to serve 200 students per year. This includes increasing the level of direct instruction and rigor by adding onsite instructors; increasing the wrap-around services including counseling, affective needs, and increased partnership with related organizations; and creating and providing services to re-engage families. An alternative campus will be staffed for expelled students who pose a threat to safety of students on campus.

District: St. Vrain Valley School District Re-1J County: Boulder & Weld

Year of 4-year grant: 3 FY16 Award Amount: \$391,940

Contact: Tyrell Hirchert Address:

Phone: 303-702-7805 x 57838 830 S. Lincoln Street Longmont, CO 80501

**Program Name: Multi-School EARSS Initiative** 

**Program Description:** Students from 3 high schools and 3 feeder middle schools, grades 7-10, identified with chronic absenteeism, excessive suspensions, and not on track to graduate will be provided with expanded services. Approximately 500 students will participate in learning labs, career and acculturation curriculum, and be provided case management to coordinate services and support. Parents of identified students will participate in educational workshops and inter-disciplinary coordination of services. Prioritization of services will focus on the disproportionate representation of Hispanic students.

District: Summit Re-1 School District County: Summit

Year of 4-year grant: 4 FY16 Award Amount: \$12,500 Contact: James Smith Address:

Phone: 970-368-1145 PO Box 7, 150 School Road Frisco, CO 80443

School Name: Snowy Peaks High School

**Program Description:** The EARSS grant will implement the Reconnecting Youth Curriculum (RY) for 25 students throughout the course of the school year. RY is an evidence based program with the goal of increasing school performance, decreasing drug involvement, and decreasing emotional distress.

**District: Thompson School District** 

Year of 4-year grant: 3 Contact: Raquel Macias

Phone: 970-613-6871

Program Name: EARSS grant for secondary students

**County: Larimer** 

**FY16 Award Amount: \$172,278** 

Address:

800 S. Taft Avenue Loveland, CO 80537

**Program Description:** Hispanic males in the Thompson School District are a disproportionately represented subpopulation of the district's 16,000 students. Many are disengaged with a significant number demonstrating multiple at-risk behaviors with discipline referrals, habitual truancies, poor grades and ultimately lower graduation rates. Thompson is proactively approaching the issues with structures through staff, community and family to enable them to embrace their own learning success as effective and engaged students. Thompson School District, in partnership with other community organizations, seeks to strengthen and create programs that will include: 1) Mentorship programs (TSD-Check and Connect Mentorship and CSU-Campus Corps) 2) Expanded Academic Achievement Support related to failing grades (Afterschool Credit Recovery Support, 8 Keys to Success, Why Try Curriculum and (3) Expanded Behavioral Intervention Support (Life Skills, Restorative Practices, PBIS, Student Effectiveness Camps).

District: Weld RE-5J County: Weld

Year of 4-year grant: 4 FY16 Award Amount: \$35,104

Contact: Jason Seybert Address:

Phone: 970-587-6804 110 S. Centennial Drive Suite A

Milliken, CO 80543

School Name: Roosevelt High School (Johnstown)

**Program Description:** The EARSS grant will create a system to identify and intervene with at-risk students through a freshmen study skills course, credit recovery and the Why Try? program. The district is also striving to provide an alternative on-line setting for at-risk students so they are provided the opportunity to finish school in a non-traditional setting.

## **FACILITY SCHOOLS**

Facility: Alternative Homes for Youth County: Weld

Year of 4-year grant: 1 FY16 Award Amount: \$44,015

Contact: Shayna Miller

Phone: 303-881-1247

Address:
1110 M Street
Greeley, CO 80631

**Program Name: Alternative Homes for Youth** 

**Program Description:** AHFY serves on average 30 at-risk students annually in grades 8 through 12 referred to us for mental health treatment. The educational programs are focused on key elements to improve our students' educational participation and achievement. They involve efforts to improve (1) family engagement through expanded activities, (2) improved academic achievement through on-line core course work, life skills training and a new horticultural curriculum, and (3) improved assessment of individual student needs.

**Facility: Converge Day Treatment Center** 

Year of 4-year grant: 1 **Contact: Monica Buettel** 

Phone: 970-867-0998

**County: Morgan** 

FY16 Award Amount: \$30,000

Address:

**400 State Street** 

Fort Morgan, CO 80701

**Program Name: Converge Day Treatment Center** 

**Program Description:** Converge Day Treatment Center provides full-day instruction and wraparound therapeutic interventions for ten to fifteen students in grades kindergarten through sixth grade in rural Northeastern Colorado. Therapeutic services include individual therapy, family therapy, and a variety of different group therapies, including cognitive-behavioral therapy, social skills training, art therapy, and music therapy. Students also participate in daily community-based activities, including swimming, bowling, and therapeutic horseback riding. We aim to strengthen family relationships and increase students' social-emotional competence.

Facility: Excelsior Youth Centers, Inc **County: Arapahoe** 

Year of 4-year grant: 2 **FY16 Award Amount: \$221,015** 

**Contact: Karen Rosen** Address:

Phone: 303-693-1550 15001 E Oxford Ave **Aurora, CO 80014** 

**Program Name: Excelsior Youth Center School** 

**Program Description:** Excelsior Youth Center's EARSS program will provide multi-dimensional support to female middle and high school students as they transition from our facility environment to communities and public schools, EYS's program will help approximately 225 girls per year strengthen the educational and community connections in their lives through educational case management services for girls and caregivers, credit recovery, caregiver peer support, and sustainable community connections for girls.

Facility: Family Crisis Center School/Denver Human Services **County: Denver** 

Year of 4-year grant: 2 **FY16 Award Amount: \$125,700** 

**Contact: Lisa Saliman** Phone: 720-944-3765

**Address:** 2929 W 10<sup>th</sup> Ave **Denver, CO 80204** 

Program Name: Family Crisis Center School/Denver Human Services

**Program Description:** The Denver Department of Human Services Family Crisis Center proposes the *Catalyst* for School Engagement program, which will annually serve 164 youth, ages 10-18, who are at high risk for suspension or expulsion, through behavioral interventions and academic social support.

Intervention strategies include: school social worker, credit recovery program, and art programs.

Overarching program objectives include: improve graduation rates among participants, improve student and parent engagement, and increase pro-social behaviors and sense of belonging among participants.

**Facility: Jefferson Hills County:** 

Year of 4-year grant: 1 **FY16 Award Amount: \$279,200** 

**Contact: David Molineux Address:** 

Phone: 303-996-3882 **421 Zang Street** Lakewood, CO 80228

**Program Name: Jefferson Hills Aurora** 

**Program Description:** Jefferson Hills Aurora provides services to 170 students each year grades 6-12. Students enrolled in this program will benefit from research based education and treatment services; a transition coordinator and transition planning, access to credit recovery courseware, and strategies to increase parent engagement. These services will improve student's academic and social achievements within their community.

**Facility: Midway Youth Services** 

Year of 4-year grant: 1 Contact: Erin Spies Phone: 970-484-7447 **County: Larimer** 

**FY16 Award Amount: \$101,975** 

Address:

729 Remington St Fort Collins, CO 80524

**Program Name: Remington House School** 

**Program Description:** Remington House School aims to serve students who are at high risk for expulsion and suspension by providing enhanced programming. We hope to serve 45 youth the first year, grades 6-12. If awarded our W.I.N.S. (What I Need to Succeed) program will focus on the following areas: Improving academic growth/engagement; increasing family support; increasing student attendance and participation; increasing vocational capabilities; and improving transitional services for youth and families.