

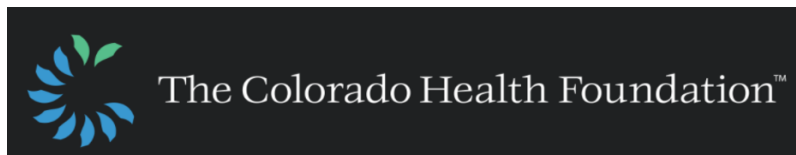
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Vision - All schools are vibrant, inclusive ecosystems that ensure every student thrives in school, work and life.

Mission - GSN co-creates healthy school ecosystems by partnering with educators, students, families and communities to elevate the education experience.

Good News!



Renewed Funding Received for Social Emotional Learning in Schools thanks to the Colorado Health Foundation!

Great news! GSN has been awarded a second round of funding from the Colorado Health Foundation to continue to expand Social Emotional Learning (SEL) support across Colorado by adding new schools and districts including: Animas High School, AXL Academy, Chavez-Huerta Preparatory Academy, Hanover School District, Holly School District, HOPE On-line Academy, Otis School District, Prep Academy, Trinidad School District and Wiggins School District.

During the 2020-2021 school year, supporting resilience through SEL includes building school leader and teacher capacity to embed SEL practices throughout the school day:

- On-site or virtual planning for program implementation
- Professional development and Advocacy observations (3x/year)
- In-person or virtual coaching sessions to troubleshoot implementation issues

- Support for re-designing school master schedules to allow for delivery of programming
- Unlimited access to GSN and Random Acts of Kindness curriculum
- SEL assessments (DESSA + Indigo), surveys, implementation rubrics and data analysis to ensure impact
- Support for solidifying referrals to community agencies to remove barriers to student success (food/housing security, employment, drug/alcohol addiction treatment, etc.)
- Participation in a monthly state-wide professional learning community (SEL Forum) focused on implementation and capacity building
- A monthly eblast to share promising practices and research, reducing school staff isolation around addressing mental health.

S-CAP Continues in the Midst of COVID-19 Pandemic



While schools across the nation and Colorado have paused their accountability systems, S-CAP continues to operate its peer accountability system successfully, modified for COVID-19 realities. In Spring 2020, the S-CAP board decided to focus

every other year's review on implementation of strategic priorities, using a smaller team of reviewers than is typically onsite for 1-2 day reviews. Protocols have been adjusted to allow for virtual considerations as necessary for COVID-19. Even though many of the schools are operating in-person instruction, the board decided to operate all Fall System Support Reviews (SSRs) in a virtual format to reduce the amount of adult visitors in the school. We are pleased to report that the peer accountability system is thriving. According to one participant, "pacing made the day fly by...The remote method worked really well." If you are interested in attending a future SSR, please sign up [here!](#) To join S-CAP, contact one of our core districts: <https://www.s-capcolorado.com/about>

Introducing New GSN Social Emotional Learning Unit! MS Protecting Our Privacy unit is now available!

This unit focuses on privacy protection for students who are engaging in online activities. Students will learn how to distinguish between appropriate and inappropriate online disclosure, how to protect themselves from deceptive practices, and reasons to avoid sexting. They will also create a personal **internet safety** action plan. The unit will culminate in a project where students will write short stories, based on real-life events, about potential consequences of not practicing **internet safety**. This unit is available for free until January, click [here](#) and enter code "PROTECT!" This unit will be available in Spanish in early 2021!



Welcoming New GSN Board Member!

Kelly Mitchell

We are thrilled to announce that Kelly Mitchell has joined the board of directors at Generation Schools Network! On behalf of the entire GSN team, we welcome Kelly and look forward to including her in our efforts to ensure that all students have access to robust college/career preparation. Kelly serves as the statewide postsecondary and workforce readiness coordinator for Colorado in a shared



position between the Colorado Department of Labor and Employment and the Colorado Department of Education. Kelly works to bring together business and education to ensure Colorado students develop the skills they need to succeed in the workforce, and that businesses have access to the talent they need to drive our economy forward. For the past 10 years, Kelly has been working in secondary education as a teacher, program coordinator, and Dean of Students. She holds a Bachelor's degree in statistics from Colorado State University and a Master's degree in curriculum and instruction from the University of Denver.

Kelly is passionate about education and believes that as workforce needs evolve, the education system will need to as well to ensure students have access to meaningful postsecondary opportunities.

Upcoming Events

November 12th 8am-4pm
S-CAP Akron SSR
[To register, click here!](#)

December 2nd 3:30-4:30pm
SEL Forum: Managing Emotions
[To register, click here!](#)

December 7th 8am-4pm
S-CAP Buffalo SSR
[To register, click here!](#)

December 14th 8am-4pm
S-CAP Las Animas SSR
[To register, click here!](#)

