

# School-Based Suicide Prevention Training

**April 11, 2012**

CESA #2 Conference Center

1221 Innovation Drive, Whitewater, WI 53190

8:30-3:00

Wisconsin's youth suicide rate is consistently among the highest in the nation. We lose an average of one young person age 10-19 each week to suicide. It is the second leading cause of death for this age group. Wisconsin state law establishes that schools **MUST** address suicide prevention with students, specifically:

- conditions that cause and signs of suicidal thinking,
- the relationship between suicide and the use of alcohol another drugs, and services available in local communities.

**State law requires school districts to provide specific classroom instruction in youth suicide prevention,** and to annually notify district staff about DPI's resources. It also establishes a clear role for schools in screening for suicidal thinking (detection of signs), crisis response (proper action), and referrals to outside agencies and even law enforcement if the student is in crisis.

DPI is offering this one-day workshop to help schools improve suicide prevention efforts and meet the requirements of state law. You will gain new knowledge and new skills to improve classroom instruction at the middle and high school level. You will participate in authentic, performance-based assessments and learn strategies to help students understand suicide and demonstrate their knowledge.

This workshop is not intended to train all school staff, but prepares teams of pupil service staff, health educators, and administrators to plan, prevent, and intervene at their schools.

## **PLEASE BRING YOUR EXISTING SUICIDE CRISIS RESPONSE PLANS FOR REVIEW, DISCUSSION, AND REVISION.**

Because of current travel restrictions experienced by DPI, they require a minimum of 25 participants per training, so please register as soon as possible so we can keep everyone informed on the training status in a timely manner.

### **Cost:**

\$25 per person to cover the cost of breaks and lunch.

### **To Register:**

Please go to [www.myquickreg.com](http://www.myquickreg.com)  
Registration deadline is April 4, 2012

### **Registration questions?**

Contact Peggy @ [pstrong@cesa.k12.wi.us](mailto:pstrong@cesa.k12.wi.us)

### **Workshop Content questions?**

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### **Directions to CESA #2:**

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