

**Coordinator Brief To Curriculum Council
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Reminders and announcements

1. Reminder: TUPE 2013-16 Cohort I Tier 1 RFA Released, Application Due December 7, 2012

The 2013 Tobacco-Use Prevention Education (TUPE) Cohort I Tier 1 Request for Application (RFA) on the CDE web page at: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/fq/fo/r8/tupetier161213rfa.asp>

The Tier I grants require only that 1) the California Healthy Kids Survey be conducted on your current schedule, or every two years, and 2) that your district maintains its Tobacco-Free District status (policies kept up to date and enforced, signs posted.) The intent of CDE is to automatically renew the Tier 1 grants if all conditions and deliverables of the grant are submitted. *Last year, all applications that responded per the requirements of the Tier 1 RFA were awarded a grant.* Consortia applications are encouraged. If your district is interested in joining or forming a consortium, please contact me.

2. New information about the 2013 TUPE Cohort H Tier 2 RFA, expected in November

- A webinar providing a bidder's conference for applicants responding to the 2013 Cohort I TUPE Tier 2 RFA is scheduled for January 9, 2013.
- Tier 2 grants require universal and targeted smoking prevention education and activities, using research-validated curriculum. Many of the most effective tobacco use prevention programs are also effective alcohol and drug abuse programs, so your Tier 2 TUPE program will also address other student behaviors. For example, Botvin's Life Skills Training and Project Alert are validated programs for alcohol and drugs as well as tobacco for middle school students, and Project Toward No Drug Use (Project TND) is validated for alcohol, drugs, tobacco, and violence for grades 9-12.

3. Reminder: Santa Clara County Office of Education is sponsoring a two day Suicide Prevention and Intervention: An Educational Response for School Health Crisis Teams, Nurses, Teachers, Counselors, School Psychologists, District and School Site Administrators. The workshop is Jan 7-8, 2013, from 8 am to 4 pm. There is no fee. Register at <http://santaclara.k12oms.org/eventdetail.php?id=61859>

Calendar Items and Professional Development

1. Save the date for Monday, February 25, 2013 for a symposium addressing this concern:

"For children to learn to their full potential, and for us to make inroads in reducing dropout rates, students need to feel safe at, supported by, and connected to their schools. School climate is very much connected to student success."Tom Torlakson

There will be two separate but coordinated events. The full day session (8 to 3:30) at MCOE for teachers, school nurses, counselors, psychologists, district and school administrators and agencies who work with students in a school setting and outside of school will help them to better understand, address and create a safe and supportive school environment. School wide interventions and policies, classroom strategies, programs, tools and resources will be shared. Information will be presented via a keynote, breakout sessions, and a panel of students. Topics include legislative and legal updates, analyzing data to determine areas of concern, and examples of programs implemented in schools and community organizations in our county and region. The evening event, coordinated with the Monterey County School Boards Association, will continue the discussion with Superintendents, board members, and community policy makers. The coordinating theme is the *Not in Our Schools/Not in Our Town* innovative community approach that is making a difference throughout the nation. NOIS/NOIT complements existing programs in schools and builds upon their effort. A Save the Date Flyer will be sent to you when finalized, followed by registration information.

2. Safe and Supportive School Website(s)

The CDE Safe and Supportive Schools Website <http://californias3.wested.org/> is a resource for all schools that are addressing school climate issues, not just the Safe and Supportive School (S3) grantees. There is a wealth of information and tools, including archived webinars. Information and resources are updated and posted regularly.

A regular e-newsletter is provided. Here is the link to a recent edition: <http://us4.campaign-archive1.com/?u=5e8d04643ed22cde647fb5ea4&id=89496a1519&e=7cabd9a9d2>

Topics include: *Teacher Supports and Collegiality Impact School Climate*, and *What are the Differences between High- and Low-Performing Schools?* To subscribe to the newsletter, go to <http://wested.us4.list-manage.com/subscribe?u=5e8d04643ed22cde647fb5ea4&id=93c21ba895>. Fact Sheets and tools related to this and other topics are posted under the Tools and resources tab of the website.