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## **News Release**

### ***Applications Now Available for Four-Year Grants to Serve Expelled and At-Risk Students***

Four-year applications are now available to provide educational services to expelled students or programs to prevent future suspensions or expulsions.

School districts, Boards of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES), private schools, alternative schools within a district, charter schools and eligible facilities are all welcome to apply. Proposed services may target specific schools, an entire school district or multiple school districts.

Applications are due by June 30, 2009 at 4 p.m. Awards will be announced by August 2009.

The application is available on the CDE Web site at the following link:  
[http://www.cde.state.co.us/cdeprevention/pi\\_expelled\\_grant.htm](http://www.cde.state.co.us/cdeprevention/pi_expelled_grant.htm)

Applicants are encouraged to consider a comprehensive range of instructional and student support services that are proven to be effective.

Services may include:

- Instruction in math, reading, writing, science and social studies
- Tutoring
- Alternative educational programs

- Vocational education programs
- Support services
- Strategies that address habitually disruptive behavior and/or truancy

The Expelled and At-risk Student Services (EARSS) grant program is managed by the Prevention Initiatives Unit at the Colorado Department of Education (CDE) and is authorized by Colorado Revised Statute 22-33-205.

For more information about the grant program, contact Judith Martinez, Prevention Initiatives, 303-866-6127 or [martinez\\_j@cde.state.co.us](mailto:martinez_j@cde.state.co.us)

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