

Educational Service Center of Northeast Ohio – Behavioral Threat Assessment
Training and Technical Assistance: Customer Participation and Grant
Acknowledgement Form

The ESCNEO was awarded a Bureau of Justice Assistance STOP School Violence grant to improve school safety. The ESCNEO is partnering with Montgomery County ESC, Navigate360, WestEd, and Ohio Schools Council to establish a Violence Prevention Network (VPN) for Schools in Cuyahoga and Montgomery County. The VPN expands ongoing efforts to prevent school violence through behavioral threat assessment (BTA). To address schools' challenges in maintaining fully trained BTA teams, the VPN will offer continuous training and coaching, integrating eLearning and interactive modules for both educators and law enforcement. These resources will help schools implement harm-reduction plans and improve threat and suicide prevention efforts. This three-year grant provides Cuyahoga and Montgomery County school districts, including public, parochial, and charter schools in Cuyahoga and Montgomery Counties, access to Comprehensive School Threat Assessment Guidelines (CSTAG) training, suicide awareness and prevention training, an electronic case management software, and technical assistance with BTA implementation.

Through this grant, schools will receive a two-part training on the evidence-based CSTAG model and assistance in developing multidisciplinary teams that are prepared to recognize and respond to concerning behaviors and help prevent acts of violence. Once training is complete, districts will implement an electronic case management tool that supports the effective facilitation of the CSTAG and suicide assessment methodologies.

This form highlights the full program offerings and services provided for the length of the grant.

- Is there a cost associated with this? All components of this grant opportunity are available to districts at no cost for the duration of the grant (Navigate360 subscription services end June 30, 2028). After the grant period, the Navigate360 Behavioral Case Manager platform and CSTAG bundle of eLearning courses are offered at \$2.38 per student.
- What is included in the grant funding? By participating in this program, districts will receive:

- Asynchronous CSTAG Level 1 eLearning training for Behavioral Threat Assessment teams.
 - Synchronous CSTAG Level 2 live-virtual scenario-based training for Behavioral Threat Assessment teams. *Participants are required to complete CSTAG Level 1 through this grant to gain access to CSTAG Level 2 training. If participants do not complete Level 1 through this grant, they will not be allowed to attend the Level 2 training session.*
 - Asynchronous Suicide Awareness and Prevention training for Behavioral Threat Assessment teams.
 - Access to Navigate360's Behavioral Threat Assessment and Suicide Case Manager.
 - Access to CSTAG Level 1 and Suicide Awareness and Prevention curriculum for district's larger staff team facilitated through the Navigate360 Training Institute portal. *Access is granted to the larger district team upon full participation in the CSTAG Level 1, Level 2 and Suicide Awareness and Prevention training provided through the grant.*
 - Access to WestEd's technical assistance and implementation support team. Including local support to provide tailored assistance and alignment to MTSS.
 - Access to implementation resources (e.g., policy and procedure documents)
 - Assistance with integrating BTA procedures into existing health and safety strategies.
 - Access to tools to track, analyze, and improve processes through data-driven insights, supporting continuous quality improvement.
- What is the district's expectation for participating in this grant-funded opportunity?

By participating in the grant, the district agrees to complete all offered trainings (CSTAG Level 1, CSTAG Level 2, and Suicide Awareness and Prevention). Following training completion, the district agrees, as required by the grant, to use the Case Manager software to document all threat assessments conducted. If a district has previously received CSTAG training prior to the grant, the team will collaborate

with the district to explore and address any additional training needs.

- What is the timeline for training and gaining access to training and Case Management software? Using a cohort system, the Educational Service Center of Northeast Ohio will coordinate with districts throughout the counties to provide access to training. Upon district completion of required training (CSTAG Level 1, CSTAG Level 2, and Suicide Awareness and Prevention training), districts will gain access to Case Management software and eLearning curriculum (CSTAG Level 1 and Suicide Awareness and Prevention) throughout the life of the grant (Navigate360 subscription services end June 30, 2028).
- Some of our staff have completed CSTAG Training before, can they participate in this grant? Yes! For districts that have staff who have completed CSTAG training they do not have to retake the training in order to participate in the grant. However, if a district chooses, staff can retake the training as a refresher through the grant. New staff members should be trained through the grant.
- What happens when grant funding ends? The Educational Service Center of Northeast Ohio was awarded funding to provide districts with Behavioral Threat Assessment Training and Case Management software through the life of the grant. Should the Educational Service Center of Northeast Ohio not receive additional funding at the end of the grant, any district would have the opportunity to continue the program with full continuity, by subscribing to the service for \$2.38/student.
- What data is collected through this grant? Data gathered through the Case Management and/or the eLearning platform will be shared, in the aggregate, and deidentified, with the Educational Service Center of Northeast Ohio and WestEd for the purposes of successfully implementing this federally funded grant. Specifically, data will be shared from the Navigate360 products with the Educational Service Center of Northeast Ohio and WestEd to monitor program fidelity, identify possible trends, and develop, and revise as needed, a data-driven implementation plan to guide statewide implementation. The data falls within the exceptions to FERPA for the audit/evaluation of a state-supported education program and/or for a health and safety emergency.
- What technical resources are needed for the Case Management software? District IT Teams will work with Navigate360 to perform a Student Information System (SIS)

integration to pull in required data to the Behavioral Threat Assessment and Suicide Case Manager. This data will be accessed for SIS Integration can be completed via Clever or ClassLink and will pull the following required data: Sites/Buildings, Teachers, Students, and Rosters. Data accessed from the SIS integration will be used in the Case Management software when a student is involved in the threat assessment process. Upon a successful integration, multidisciplinary team members will be configured with the appropriate permissions to view and manage cases for students in their prevue.

- What technical resources are needed for access to the Navigate360 Training Institute? District Team Leads, or IT Leads, will work with Navigate360 to gain Power User access to the Navigate360 Training Institute portal that houses the CSTAG Level 1 and Suicide Awareness and Prevention curriculum. Power User(s) will be required to attend a virtual training to learn key administrator functions including rostering staff users through .CSV roster uploads, course management, and course completion reporting. Districts will have access to this curriculum for all staff members throughout the life of the grant.
- What are the next steps? Districts looking to access Behavioral Threat Assessment training for their multidisciplinary teams and implement Case Management software will work with the Educational Service Center of Northeast Ohio to sign up for training and access to the case management software. Please complete and share this Acknowledgement Form with Amanda Nowak, amanda.nowak@escneo.org. The ESC of NEO and Navigate360 will coordinate with the Team Lead to identify the multidisciplinary team members who will complete the CSTAG and Suicide Awareness and Prevention Training.
- How am I supported? Throughout the entirety of the Bureau of Justice Assistance grant, you will receive registration and implementation assistance from our Implementation team, and ongoing program guidance and troubleshooting support from our Customer Success and Technical Support teams.

CUSTOMER ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

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Phone: _____

District Name: _____

District Address: _____

District Enrollment: _____

Date: _____

Signature: _____