



Summer is right around the corner, which means not only looking forward to warmer days, outdoor activities, and relaxing time off, but also reflecting on the past school year.

We can't thank teachers enough for all they do to make a difference in the lives of their students. Every student comes to the classroom with an individual story, and teachers' creating safe, caring, and trauma-sensitive environments helps lead to fruitful teaching and learning.

This newsletter features a training series on developing trauma-sensitive classrooms. We hope this resource and others we share in this newsletter will support your continuing efforts to improve the lives of all learners in your state, district, or school.

### Featured resource: Training series on developing trauma-sensitive classrooms

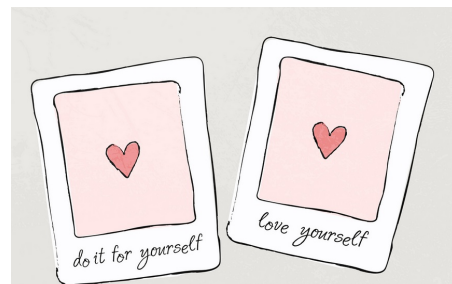
This four-part training series is designed to help you understand and use evidence-based practices to support students and educators experiencing trauma. REL Appalachia collaborated with Marshall County Schools in Kentucky and the West Kentucky Educational Cooperative to develop this training through our [Building, Safe, Caring, and Trauma-Sensitive Schools partnership](#). Explore the recorded sessions and access the free materials below:

- [Introduction](#)
- [Session 1: Understanding Trauma and Its Impact on Students](#)
- [Session 2: Identifying Students Who Need More Intensive Trauma-Sensitive Supports](#)
- [Session 3: Creating a Trauma-Sensitive School Environment and Classroom](#)
- [Session 4: Educator Self-Care](#)



### Other New Resources

Compassion is essential to cultivating resilience, equity, and learning in community colleges and other learning environments. Discover strategies for practicing compassion at the individual, interpersonal, and institutional levels in these [conference materials](#).





Strengthening students' preparation for college and careers requires a holistic approach that goes beyond just academics. Learn about evidence-based practices related to four pillars of support in this [blog post](#) and [infographic](#).

Summer may also be a time for revision of standards. For example, Virginia educators will be implementing new English language arts and math standards this fall. Check out resources from across the REL Program in this [REL Corner](#) on implementing new standards.



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