

# Youth Suicide Awareness and Prevention Training (YSAPT) Verification

**Authorized by SDCL 13-42-71** 

#### House Bill 1020 SDCL: 13-42-71 Effective July 1, 2024

Prior to beginning employment at a school district or department accredited school and every five years thereafter, an individual certified pursuant to this chapter and employed by a school district or department-accredited school must complete an approved youth suicide awareness and prevention training that is at least one hour in duration and shall submit a certificate showing completion of the approved training to the school district or department-accredited school where the individual is employed. The school district or department-accredited school shall retain the certificates submitted as a part of the documentation necessary to earn or maintain state accreditation. The South Dakota Board of Education Standards shall consult with suicide prevention or counseling experts to identify evidence-based resources that will fulfill the youth suicide awareness and prevention training required by this section and shall make the list of the approved trainings available to school districts and department-accredited schools.

An individual may complete a required training through a self-review of youth suicide prevention materials that are approved by the board, provided that the training issues a certificate of completion that contains:

- (1) The name of the training completed;
- (2) The name of the individual who completed the training;
- (3) The length of the training completed; and
- (4) The date on which the training was completed.



ALL CERTIFIED STAFF MUST HAVE A CURRENT TRAINING CERTIFICATE ON FILE FROM A DOE APPROVED TRAINING. ANY STAFF HIRED AFTER JULY 1<sup>ST</sup> 2024 MUST HAVE COMPLETED THIS TRAINING PRIOR TO THEIR EMPLOYMENT START DATE.

What does that mean for the District/School?

ALL TRAININGS MUST HAVE BEEN COMPLETED WITHIN THE LAST 5 YEARS OF THE CURRENT DATE

DISTRICT CREATED TRAININGS THAT TOOK PLACE PRIOR TO JULY 1, 2024 WILL BE ACCEPTED, IF THEY WERE WITHIN THE 5-YEAR TIME FRAME.

AFTER JULY 1, 2024 TRAININGS MUST BE APPROVED BY DOE. SEE THE WEBSITE FOR LISTINGS.





## Two Compliance Checks will include:

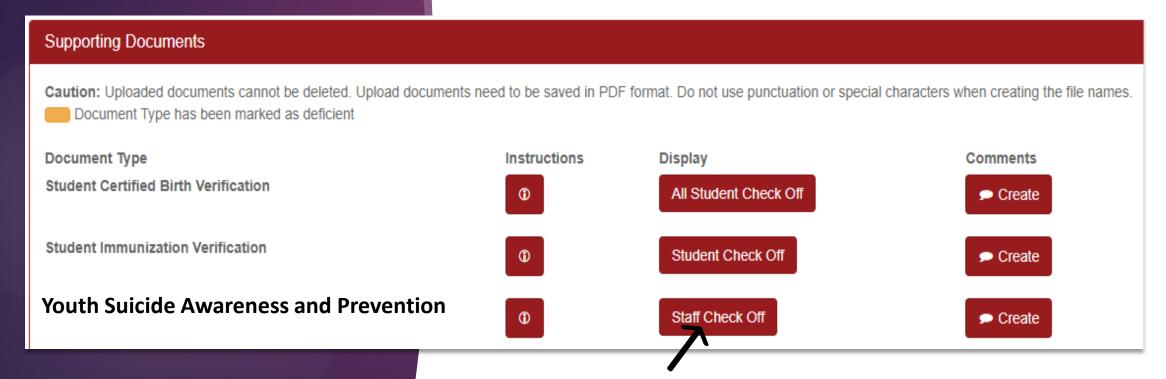
#### 1. Annual Assurance

A statement, indicating that districts are in compliance with **SDCL: 13-42-71** and all certified educators have the required Suicide Awareness and Prevention Training, will be part of the annual PRF assurance sign-off.



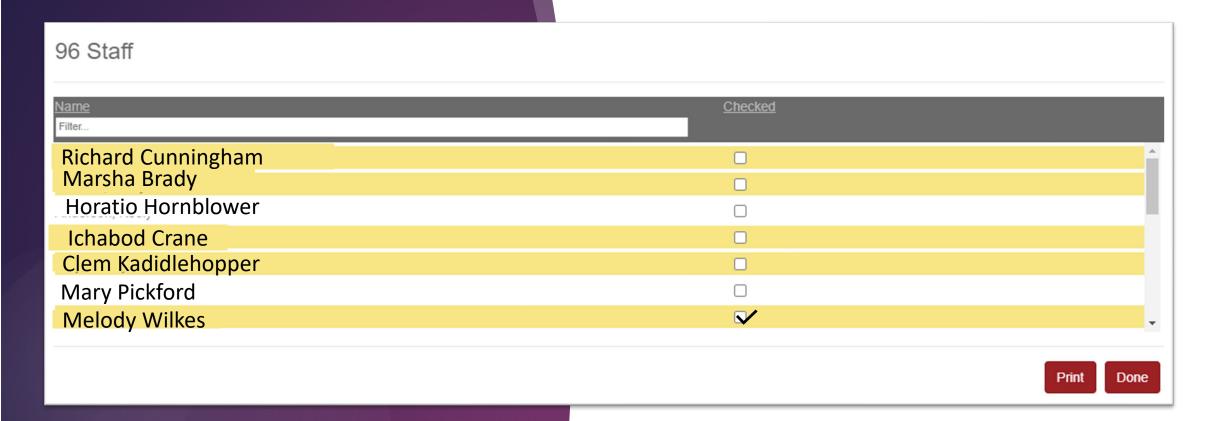
#### 2. Accreditation Review Component

## YSAPT Verification Step 1



Click here to access the Staff list





### YSAPT Verification Step 2

District will verify staff list against staff files and place a check beside any name in the staff list that does <a href="NOT">NOT</a> have a current YSAPT certificate from an approved training in their file.

Department staff will also verify physical files when conducting an on-site review



#### Youth Suicide Awareness and Prevention Approved Trainings

All Department of Education
Youth Suicide and Awareness Training Information,
including links to approved trainings may be found here:

https://doe.sd.gov/suicideprevention/

