



COLORADO
Department of Education

TSA Train the Presenter

WHO: School Transportation Trainers

WHAT: First Observer Plus™

WHEN: 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. (Lunch will be provided)

WHERE: October 22, 2019 – Boulder Valley Transp. Dept.

1951 63rd Street, Boulder, CO 90301

October 24, 2019 – Colorado Springs D-11 Transp. Dept.

5240 Geiger Blvd, Co. Springs, CO 80915

First Observer Plus™ is a security awareness training program managed by the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) to promote surface transportation security within the United States. Its mission is to increase security awareness of frontline transportation professionals by providing training to recognize suspicious activity that may be related to terrorism, to assess what they see, and methods for reporting their observations. Its message is simple: "Observe, Assess, and Report suspicious activities." Just by being aware of their surroundings within the work environment, transportation professionals can be the eyes and ears to observe activities that "don't look right."

Through First Observer Plus™, participants receive an understanding of what may constitute a terrorist threat within their transportation work environment. The training program explores the justifications and motives offered by terrorists; identifies various stages and processes often employed in the planning and execution of a terrorist act; and teaches the participant to recognize and report potential indicators. Participants are instructed not to intervene or engage suspicious persons or items, but to follow company reporting policies, which may include contacting local law enforcement and TSA.

Participation in the program provides the necessary training as well as the encouragement and empowerment needed for millions of U.S transportation professionals to become active contributors in the spirit of the Department of Homeland Security's "If You See Something, Say Something™" campaign. **This training is being offered to all Colorado School Transportation Trainers to further support their ability to provide security awareness training to all school transportation operators throughout the state.**

Topics include:

- What is First Observer Plus™?
- How Security Awareness Programs Such as First Observer Plus™ Work
- The Importance of First Observer Plus™ to the School Bus Industry
- An Overview of Terrorist Operations
- Assessing and Evaluating Our Observations
- Reporting and Response Options

Class size is limited so register early.

Registration will close on Friday, September 6, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

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Administration
is providing this
training FREE of
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