

## Administrative Memo

**Date:** August 18, 2017  
**To:** School administrators, school principals and school counselors  
**From:** Blaine Henningsen, assistant commissioner  
**Subject:** CCR-17-005 – Trauma-Informed Schools Initiative

Pursuant to Missouri Senate Bill 638, Section 161.1050, the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) established the “Trauma-Informed Schools Initiative.”

Information regarding the Trauma-Informed Schools Initiative can be found at <https://motraumaschools.com/>. DESE recommends The Missouri Model, found on this page, as the developmental framework for the Trauma-Informed Schools Initiative.

Any questions regarding the Trauma-Informed Schools Initiative may be directed to Dr. M. René Yoesel, LPC, at 573-751-0857 or [Rene.Yoesel@dese.mo.gov](mailto:Rene.Yoesel@dese.mo.gov).