CSU Reframe seeks to end interpersonal violence

The CSU Reframe initiative is focused on students and created by the CSU Women and Gender Advocacy Center to combat interpersonal violence by changing the way we think about it. Reframe intends to help all of us reframe the conversation about interpersonal violence in a way that teaches consent, skills for intervening, and how to respond to problematic language and behaviors. More at www.reframe.colostate.edu.

Also, in August, Fort Collins became the first city in the U.S. to be an It’s On Us Community, a campaign led by the White House to spread sexual assault awareness on college campuses. Fort Collins is so far the first and only city to take the White House initiative off campus.

E-cigarettes are gateway to tobacco, says CSU researcher

Teens using e-cigarettes are more likely to start smoking combustible types of tobacco products, such as cigarettes, cigars, and hookah. Nathaniel Riggs, associate professor in CSU’s College of Health and Human Sciences, co-authored a study that focused on two groups of 14-year-old students at 10 public high schools in Los Angeles. Six months after being surveyed, about 31 percent of the group that had reported using e-cigarettes said they had used a combustible tobacco product; only 8 percent of the nonusers had tried combustible tobacco.

President Frank: Re-envision Colorado State

To define CSU’s future as it approaches its 150th birthday in 2020, President Frank asked the University’s community during his seventh Fall Address to take “a thoughtful, collective look at the legacy we wish to leave” for future generations of CSU students through a campuswide exercise, “Re-envisioning Colorado State.”

U.S. News: CSU ranks among top universities in the country

Colorado State University continues to rank in the top tier of public universities in U.S. News and World Report’s annual “America’s Best Colleges” ratings for 2016. CSU is ranked 61st in the country in the latest edition, thanks to an ongoing commitment to boost faculty excellence, expand student scholarships, and invest in capital improvements across campus. The current ranking marks a rise of six spots since 2012.

Colorado tax limits have led to inequities, unintended consequences in school funding

More than 80 percent of Coloradans pay more in school property taxes than they would if voters had never enacted the Taxpayer Bill of Rights, according to a study by the Colorado Futures Center at CSU and published by the Lincoln Institute of Land Policy, a nonpartisan think tank. Tax and expenditure limits enacted as part of the 1992 TABOR voter initiative have led to inconsistent and unequal property tax burdens in Colorado, with state taxpayers increasingly subsidizing a handful of often-wealthy school districts, according to the research. More: coloradofutures.colostate.edu.
How a Place Matters showcases recipe for innovation

Fort Collins and Colorado State University are highlighted in the documentary, How a Place Matters, produced by CSU and Rocky Mountain PBS to explore what kind of place stimulates creative minds and sparks a surge of invention and innovation — and the ingredients needed to create such an environment. To view the How a Place Matters trailer, visit https://youtu.be/UR2A1wGodWE. The documentary will re-air Feb. 18, 2016 on Rocky Mountain PBS.

Freshman class: Largest, most diverse in CSU history

For the first time in history, CSU’s overall enrollment has surpassed 32,000 and now stands at 32,236 — a more than 1 percent increase above last year’s record enrollment of 31,725.

4,737 new freshmen
Almost 9 percent more than 2014.

20% of this year’s freshmen – 958 students – are racially and ethnically diverse, an almost 7 percent increase.

70% of the 2015 freshman class is from Colorado.

Almost 29% are the FIRST in their families to attend college.