



Communities In Schools At A Glance

Communities In Schools is the nation's leading community-based organization helping kids stay in school and prepare for life. For more than 30 years, CIS has championed the connection of needed community resources with schools.

The CIS Five Basics

Every child **needs** and **deserves**:

1. A **one-on-one relationship** with a caring adult;
2. A **safe place** to learn and grow;
3. A **healthy start** and a healthy future;
4. A **marketable skill** to use upon graduation; and
5. A **chance to give back** to peers and community.

Some Facts about the CIS Network

- Nearly 1.2 million students and their families were directly connected to resources through CIS during the 2006-2007 school year.
- Almost 200 local CIS affiliates operated in 27 states and the District of Columbia.
- More than 3,250 school and education sites were served by CIS.
- Nearly 53,000 volunteers donated more than 3 million hours to CIS last year, at a dollar value of nearly \$60 million. As a result:
 - ❖ *90 percent* of local CIS affiliates provide mentoring and tutoring services.
 - ❖ *73 percent* provide after-school/before-school programs.
- The average cost per student is \$180.
- Among CIS-tracked students:
 - ❖ *78 percent* improved attendance.
 - ❖ *89 percent* had fewer incidents of discipline.
 - ❖ *80 percent* improved academic performance.
 - ❖ *82 percent* were promoted to the next grade.
 - ❖ *78 percent* of eligible seniors graduated.
 - ❖ *3 percent* dropped out, lower than the national average of 4 percent and lower than the estimated 6 percent dropout rate for student populations similar to those served by CIS.