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In February 2012, Communities In Schools of Carteret County became the 18th Communities In Schools affiliate in North Carolina to achieve National Accreditation by demonstrating compliance with all CIS Total Quality System (TQS) Standards. These standards make sure that we are able to adapt to changing environments, grow our CIS affiliates and provide programs and strategies whose effectiveness has been proven through research and evidence of impact. The TQS standards define expectations for effective nonprofit business practices and for implementing the CIS model of integrated student support services at school sites. We are proud of this accomplishment and hope you'll celebrate with us by continuing to support the work of our mission to surround students with a community of support, empowering them to stay in school and achieve in life. Your contributions and support are appreciated!

Communities In Schools of Carteret County is part of the national CIS group, the nation's leading dropout prevention organization, and the only one proven to both decrease dropout rates and increase on-time graduation. During the 2010-11 school year, the CIS network in North Carolina worked with 143,615 youth and their families across the state, empowering more than 98% of its high school students to remain in school.

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☐ Want to make a donation!

☐ Want to get involved!

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**ANNUAL REPORT
2011-2012**

Most Effective Dropout Prevention Organization in America

A five-year, independent study conducted by ICF International—the largest and most comprehensive ever conducted—has established that Communities In Schools is the most effective dropout prevention program in America. The study found that CIS is the **ONLY** dropout prevention program in the nation proven to increase graduation rates, graduating students on time with a high school diploma.

Other ICF findings include:

- that Communities In Schools' model resulted in the **strongest reduction in dropout rates of any existing fully scaled dropout prevention program that has been evaluated;**
- that Communities In Schools is unique in having an effect on both **reducing dropout rates and increasing graduation rates;**
- and that the Communities In Schools model is **effective across states, school settings, grade levels and student ethnicities.**

Simply put: Communities In Schools works.



DID YOU KNOW?!

CIS Graduates alone save the state
\$6,941,000 per year
 in increased taxes and decreased health, social services, and crime and safety costs! By investing in the youth of our county, you are investing in the future economy of our county too.



The "STARS" were truly aligned on October 8th at the Crystal Coast Civic Center, as Communities In Schools of Carteret County hosted their first annual "Dancing with OUR Stars" fundraiser. "Dancing with OUR Stars" was a spectacular evening of delicious food, great company and a first class presentation of local dancing skills! Our **Champion**, with the most dollar votes raised, was Dr. Denny Lawrence and partner Becky Fitzula, with a grand total of \$4,942 raised!

\$30,000 RAISED FOR COMMUNITIES IN SCHOOLS!

OUR RESTAURANTS

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OUR STARS

DENNY LAWRENCE & BECKY FITZULA
 KARMA RODHOLM & DENNIS BOONE
 DARLEY & WES COLLINS
 PATRICK & LAURA CONNEELY
 BUDDY BENDEL & CHRISSIE HACKETT
 CATHERINE WARREN & MICHAEL TAHANEY
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RECORD-BREAKING DONATIONS

CIS held its 6th Annual "Stuff the Bus" school supply drive on tax-free weekend in August at Walmart and Staples in Morehead City as well as at a Morehead City Marlins game in an effort to provide school supplies for our most at-risk students in Carteret County. For the first time ever, CIS collaborated with Salvation Army to unify county efforts and meet the needs of students more effectively.

Volunteers collected **over \$30,000** worth of school supplies, and Boys & Girls Club members unloaded the donations at the Carteret County Association of Realtors office. Chick-fil-A provided coupons to donors and lunch to volunteers. On Distribution Day, **716 children** received school supplies to start their school year on the right foot. Stuff the Bus 2011 was a record-breaking year for donations, volunteers, partnerships, and recipients, and has set the stage for greater success in the future!

THANK YOU!

Staples
Walmart
Salvation Army
Morehead City Marlins
Carteret County
Association of REALTORS
CCBS Sign Shop
Chick-fil-A
Boys & Girls Club of
Coastal Carolina



Our Programs

Down East After School

For the fourth year, students from our 21st Century Community Learning Center programs at Smyrna, Atlantic and Harkers Island Elementary continue to be enriched in their after-school programs! 90 at-risk students receive daily after-school homework assistance, remediation, and enrichment activities from our CIS Site Teams. Overall, 76% of students have grown academically this year!



One Plus One Lunch Buddies

Thanks to a grant from the Department of Juvenile Justice, 25 students at Newport Elementary, who struggle with attendance, behavior, and grades, were matched with adult mentors called "Lunch Buddies." Students would eat lunch with their "Lunch Buddies" once a week and go on field trips with the One Plus One group. Overall 72% of students showed significant growth in their trouble areas in just over six months!



Hand In Hand After School

The "Hand In Hand" After School Program ran for 5 months during the 2011-2012 school year. HIH targeted at risk students from three middle schools. Two certified teachers at each middle school provided homework assistance and remediation at Broad Creek, Morehead, and Newport Middle Schools. A total of 75 students were served, and the overall academic improvement was 95%. The student who showed the highest overall improvement was an 8th grade student at Newport Middle who increased by 105 points in language arts, math, science, and social studies.

"Communities In Schools is a place where you can get your homework done and have extra help in what you need help in. It helped me with my tests, homework, reading and history. I went from a D to an A in science. It is really helpful to me and others!"
7th Grade Student at Broad Creek Middle School

CISOCC Report Card

Number of Schools: 7
Elementary Students: 64
Middle School Students: 85
Total Students: 168
Total Staff: 18
CIS invested per student: \$866.06

Highlights from the 2010-11 school year:

- 82% of students improved their attendance
- 100% of students decreased their high-risk social behaviors
- 92% of students improved their academic performance
- 95% of students improved their attitudes and commitment to education
- 99% of students were promoted to the next grade

"Donations and grant funding is dramatically decreasing while the critical need for dropout prevention and support for the educational system is on an upward climb. It is imperative that the community rally around Communities In Schools to provide our most at-risk children the support they desperately need."
– Sandy Hewitt- Giacobbi, Executive Director

Yearly Budget Since Founding

