



## 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 28 years, CIS has championed the connection of needed community resources with schools.

### ***The Five CIS Basics***

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

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

### ***Some Facts about the CIS Network***

- **Nearly 2 million** students and their families had access to CIS services during the 2003-2004 school year.
- Approximately **915,000** students were directly connected to resources through CIS.
- **188** local CIS affiliates operated in **28** states.
- **More than 3,000** school sites were served by CIS.
- **Nearly 56,000** volunteers donated their time to CIS last year, at a dollar value of \$42,369,232.  
As a result:
  - ❖ *86 percent* of local CIS affiliates provide mentoring and tutoring services.
  - ❖ *77 percent* provide after-school/before-school programs.
- The average cost per student is \$176.
- Among CIS-tracked students:
  - ❖ *79 percent* improved attendance.
  - ❖ *81 percent* had fewer incidents of discipline.
  - ❖ *88 percent* improved academic performance.
  - ❖ *85 percent* were promoted to the next grade.
  - ❖ *86 percent* of eligible seniors graduated.
  - ❖ *2 percent* dropped out, lower than the national average of 4 percent and lower than the estimated 6-10 percent dropout rate for student populations similar to those served by CIS.