



Graduating Students, One Community at a Time

Program Description:

Different kids have different needs: Some need academic help; some need a stable home and food on the table; some need a caring adult who will listen and help guide the way; and others just need a pair of eyeglasses.

Communities In Schools-Delaware (CISDE) brokers and develops mentoring/tutoring, after-school programming, individualized interventions and family assistance.



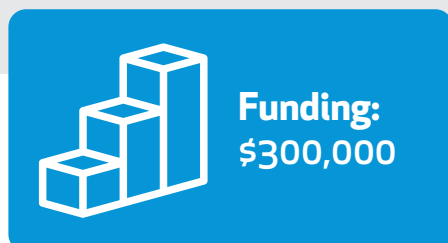
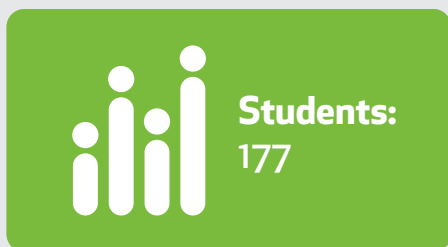
CISDE's success is made possible by collaborative partners in the community, such as Junior Achievement, Connecting Generations and other local support services and service providers that we bring into the schools.

Now, thanks to a \$300,000 contribution from AT&T under AT&T Aspire, CISDE will further strengthen its programming for students in Delaware, supporting site coordinators at Dickinson High School, McKean High School, Newark High School and William Penn High School to focus on nearly 300 students at risk of dropping out of school.

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Communities In Schools positions a dedicated staff member – a site coordinator – inside partner schools. In this pivotal role, the coordinator works with school staff to identify students at risk of not graduating. He or she assesses school and student needs and establishes relationships with local businesses, social service agencies, health care providers, and parent and volunteer organizations to harness needed resources.



"CISDE is celebrating its 20th anniversary at William Penn High School. We are proud of the relationship that has grown over the past two decades. Through workshops, mentoring and resource brokering CISDE has had a positive impact on the students we serve,"

said Kevin White,
Assistant Principal at William Penn High School