

The CIS Vision

Typical Community



Services are Inaccessible, Uncoordinated and Impersonal

CIS Community



Services are Personalized, Coordinated and Accountable

STUDENT OUTCOMES

- + Improved Attendance
- + Improved Behavior
- + Improved Academic Performance

= Higher Stay-In-School / Graduation Rates

Community-Based, Integrated Student Services

Community-based, integrated student services are **interventions that improve student achievement by connecting community resources** with both the academic and social service needs of students.

“...at-risk students often need more than the best teachers or the most rigorous curriculum in order to succeed—they need **additional supports** that will reinforce the work of educators in the schools.”

“Schools alone cannot resolve problems of violence, family crises, mental health challenges, and other child and family problems that naturally find their way to the school house door.”

“**Schools are transformed** into much more than just a portfolio of programs and services. **They become a powerful agent for change** in the lives of young people and their families and improve the climate of the entire school.”

“One recent national study found a “nearly universal acknowledgement by educators, parent groups and community groups about the **vital impact** that supporting [and] trusted community organizations [could] have in **helping students and schools succeed.**”

“In community schools, educators do not operate on the assumption that the school has all the assets and expertise necessary to improve student learning. Instead, they **collaborate with partners** who demonstrate they are **committed to results** that are important to the school system and the community.”

“**Community-based, integrated student services**, which provide vital support in mitigating the risk that students will drop out of school and in improving student achievement, **permit school and district officials to focus their energies on issues central to classroom learning.**”

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