



Presentation to the Joint Education Oversight Committee

The Impact of Communities In Schools
across the State of North Carolina

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What Is Communities In Schools?

CIS is the largest dropout prevention program in the United States, serving just over one million youth in 27 states.

Our Mission

To champion the connection of needed community resources with schools to help young people successfully learn, stay in school and prepare for life.

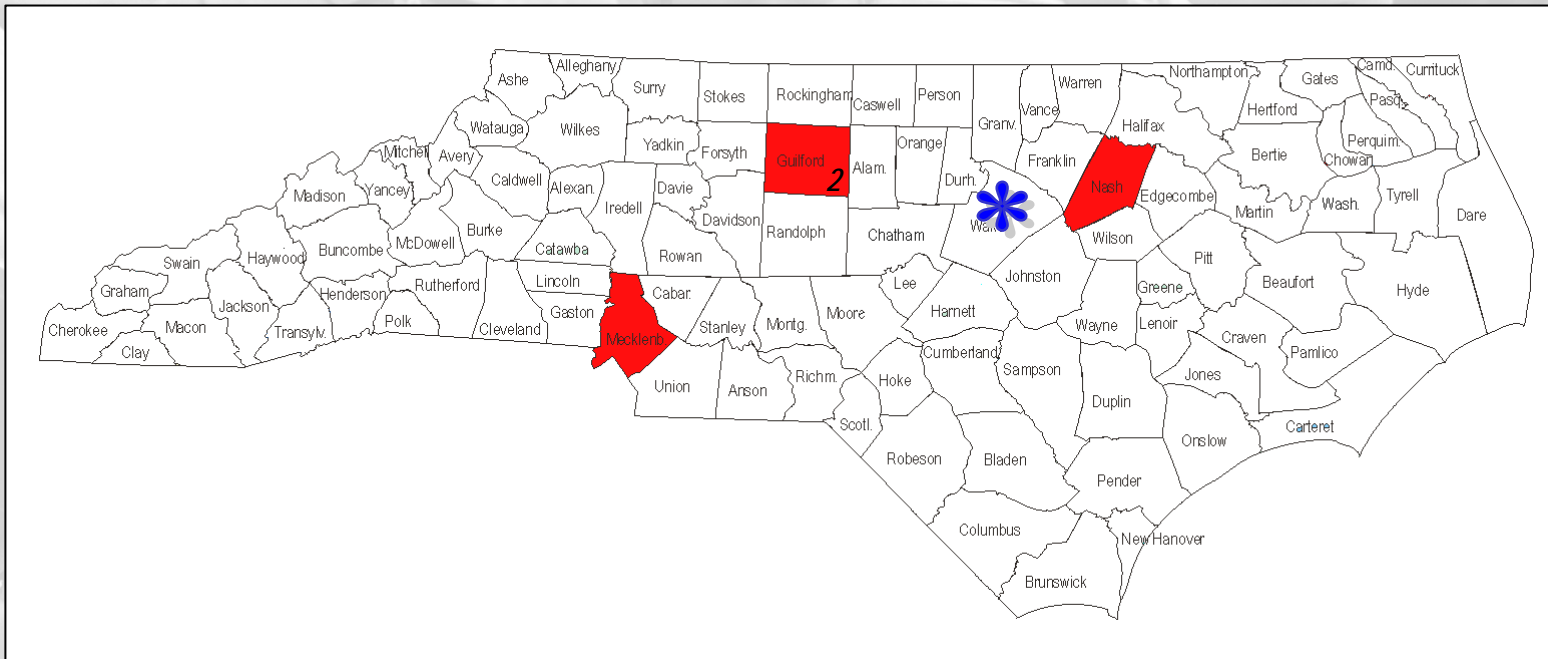
Our Principal Belief

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
- A chance to give back to peers and community

CIS Programs - 1989

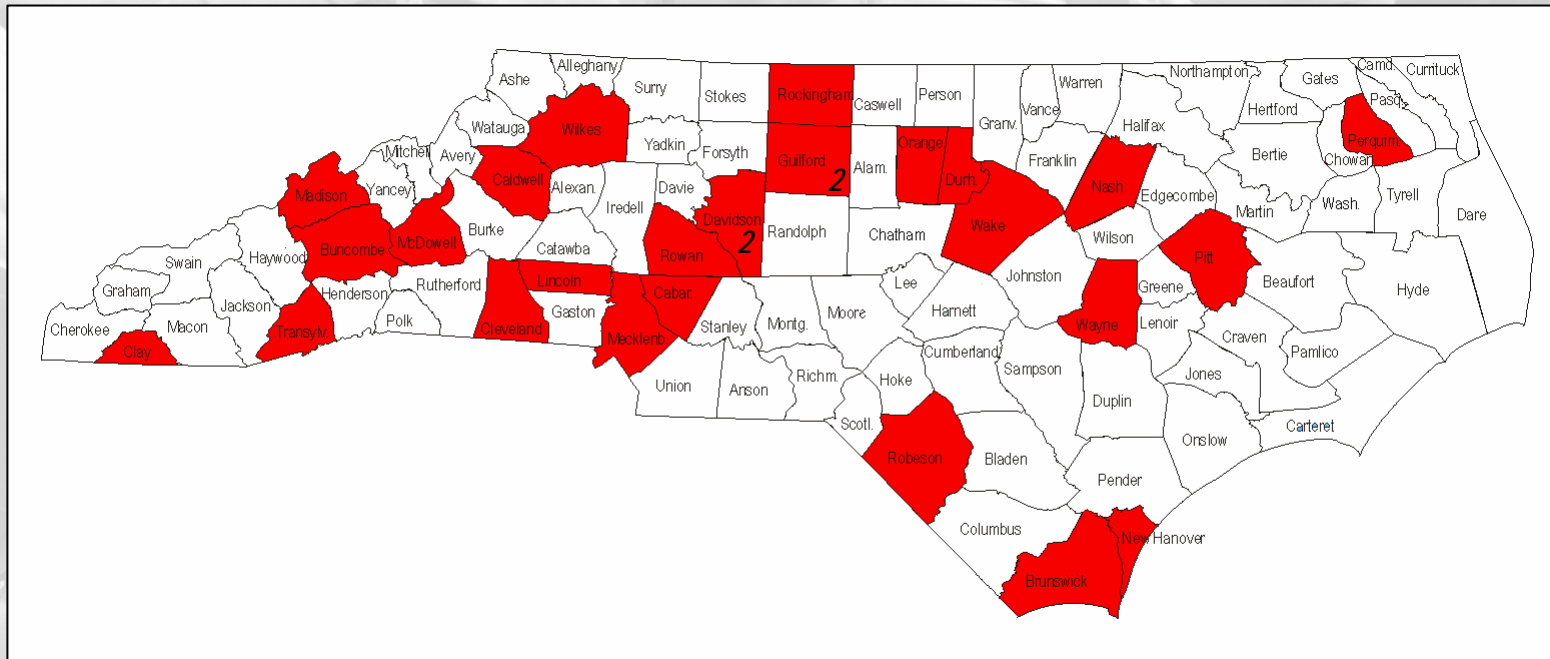
- In 1989, four local CIS programs existed in North Carolina. These programs were:
 - CIS of Charlotte-Mecklenburg - 1986
 - CIS of Rocky Mount Region - 1987
 - CIS of High Point and CIS of Greensboro, both started in 1988.



- These programs operated 11 sites and served just over 400 youth

CIS Programs - 1999

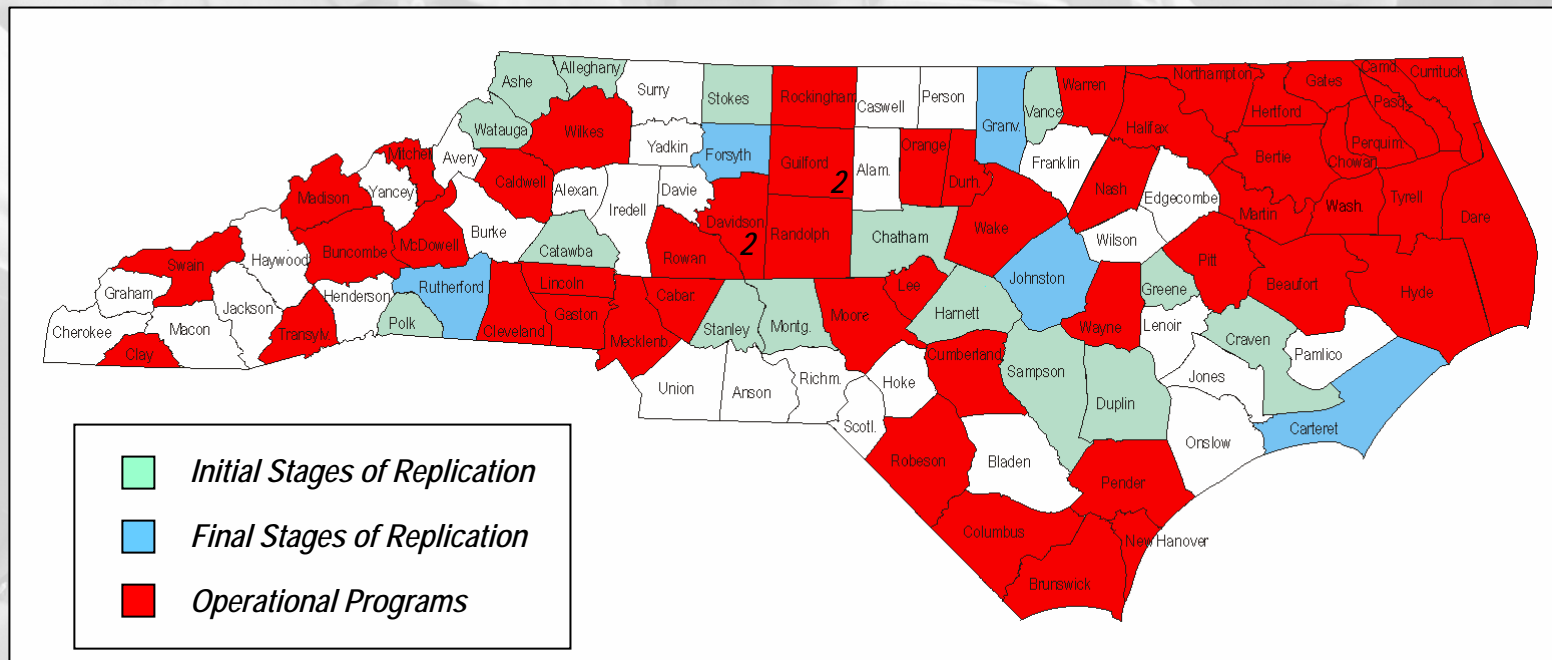
- By 1999, CISNC was receiving \$1.4 million from the General Assembly and 27 programs were in operation across the state.
- These programs operated in 193 sites and provided services to 46,000 students



CIS Programs - 2006

Today, CIS provides services in 50 counties and two independent schools systems. Additionally, four more counties will begin providing services by the 2006-07 SY

- ✓ Forsyth
- ✓ Granville
- ✓ Carteret
- ✓ Rutherford



- Moreover, we are actively involved with 16 other counties that want CIS

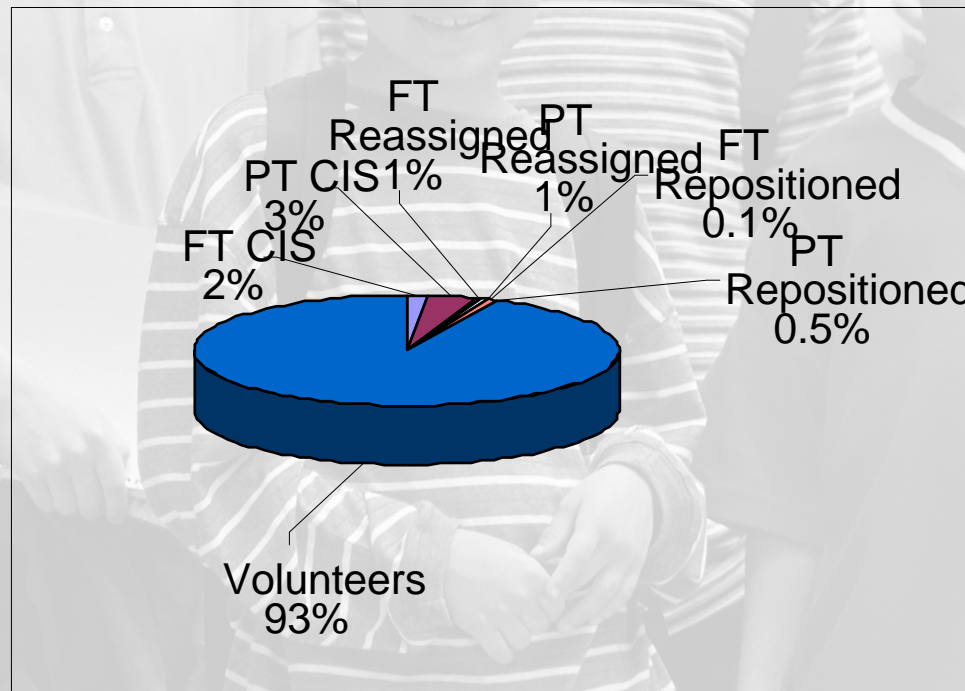
CIS Achieves Results

Through school administrators, CIS identifies very specific groups of students for needed assistance in one or more of seven different critical areas:

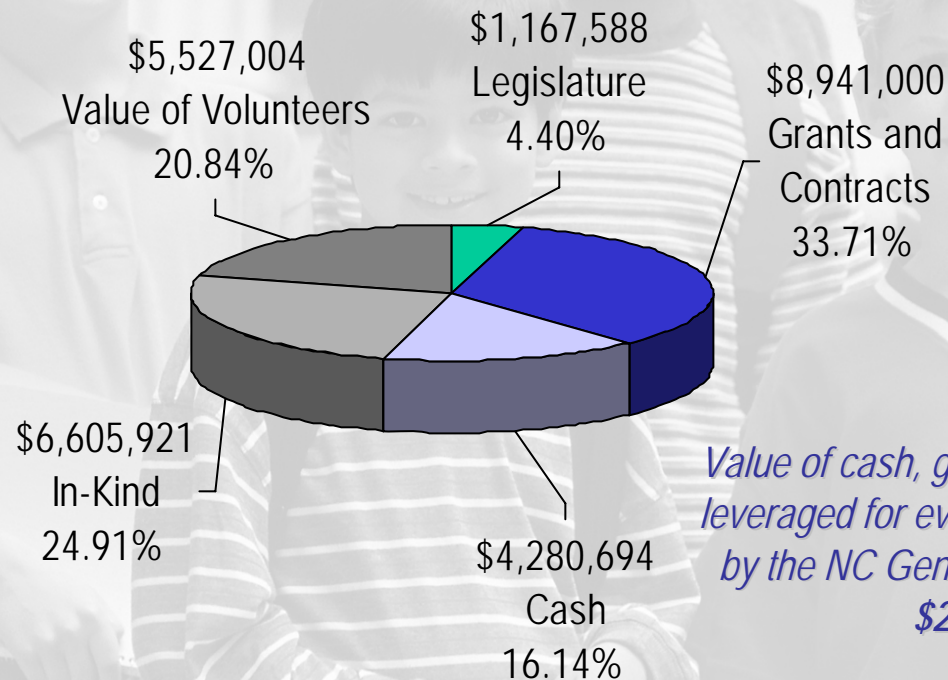
- *Attendance*
- *Behavior*
- *Suspensions*
- *School achievement*
- *Promotion*
- *Graduation*
- *Staying in school*

CIS Leverages Human Capital to Help Kids in North Carolina

In North Carolina, 9,032 individuals and 2,377 community partners contributed to the success of CIS youth this past school year; 9,169 volunteers contributed more than 320,000 hours of service. The following chart shows the proportion contributed in service to students.



CIS Leverages Legislative Investment to Help Kids in NC



Value of cash, goods and services leveraged for every dollar invested by the NC General Assembly — \$22.57



Our Achievements - SY 2004-2005

Youth Receiving Services	80,918
Total Student Population at all CIS sites	178,491
Percent of Potential Dropouts Staying in School	98%
Percent of Students Promoted	95%
Percent of Seniors Graduated	96%
Percent of Students Improving Discipline	95%
Percent of Students Improving Achievement	85%
Percent of Students Improving Discipline	81%

Legislative Investment/Student Served	\$14.28
Total Cost/Student Served	\$311.26

Annual Cost/Detainee in a YDC **\$79,340.00**

Our Challenges this Year

- Heavy Replication Activity (\$250K of the \$500K increase for this)
 - Two to four new program starts by the end of the FY
 - Total of 20 counties in some form of the replication process
- Help with New Private and Federal Grants (\$225K of the \$500K for this)
 - \$897,216 leveraged so far
 - Awaiting notification on another \$100,000 in grants
- New Local Program Executive Directors
 - 11 with less than a year in job
 - 6 with less than two years in job
- Performance Learning Centers
 - One start-up for SY 2006-2007 in Charlotte-Mecklenburg
 - Covered cost of visits of seven NC communities to Georgia PLCs

What's at Stake?

Over the past six years, NCDPI has reported an event drop-out rate of just under 120,000 youth, which we now know to be understated. Nevertheless, the loss of these youth represent:

- A \$72,000,000 loss in state revenue this year alone
- An \$8.4 billion social program price tag over the course of their lifetimes
- Just under \$12 billion over their lifetimes in additional health-related costs

More significant, however, are these facts:

- A dropout is eight times more likely to be in jail or prison as a person with at least a high school diploma
- North Carolina has a higher proportion of inmates entering prison with less than a high school diploma or GED compared to national state prison figures
- 68.3% of NC inmates are high school dropouts
- Of the 37,243 inmates currently in NC prisons, approximately 25,400 are dropouts at a cost of \$590 million per year

Bottom Line: What are we Asking For?

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• <i>Department of Public Instruction</i>	<i>\$607,500</i>
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