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In Schools

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North Carolina

# Communities In Schools 2012-2013

*Changing the Picture for North Carolina's Youth*

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# Communities In Schools of North Carolina



- Established in 1989, the organization's mission is to surround students with a community of support, empowering them to stay in school and achieve in life. CIS is considered the leading dropout prevention program in the nation.
- CIS site staff work with school administrators to identify school-wide needs such as violence prevention, combating truancy, increasing graduation rates and identifying students in greatest need of targeted services.
- Staff determine goals to be accomplished through the deliverance of whole-school (Level 1) and targeted (Level 2) services.



# Innovation and Impact

**READS for Summer Learning** – developed by Dr. Kim, an associate professor at Harvard – is designed to improve reading comprehension during the summer learning gap.

- 8,000 kids in 59 schools
- 45,000 matched-books

## Performance Learning Centers (PLC)

- Nearly 2,000 graduates to date
- 86.5% graduation rate



# Model of Service

- **Effective:** Placing a caring adult inside a school who is trained on best practices for serving students and linking them to a full spectrum of resources in the community.
- **Efficient:** CIS stretches every dollar invested by the General Assembly to create \$20 worth of student supports and services.
- **Evidence:** The CIS model for integrated student supports works. Data proves the impact of our collaborative efforts.





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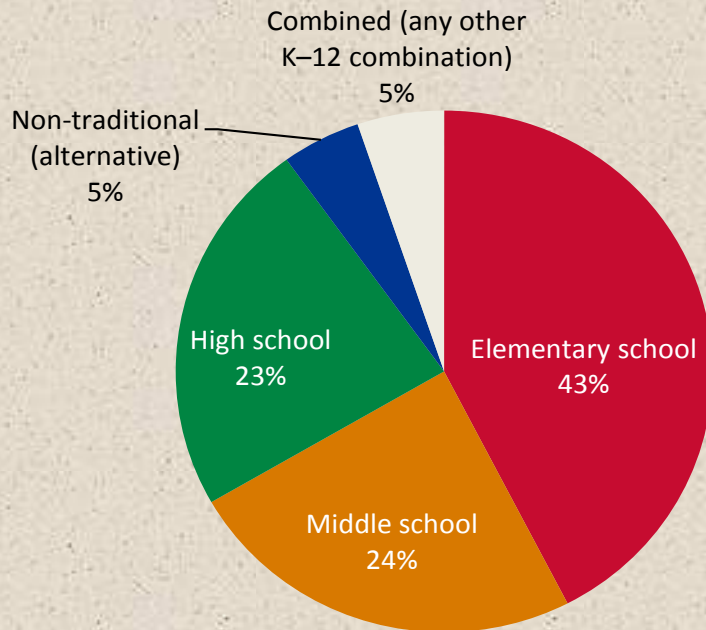
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# Number of Students Served 2008 - 2013

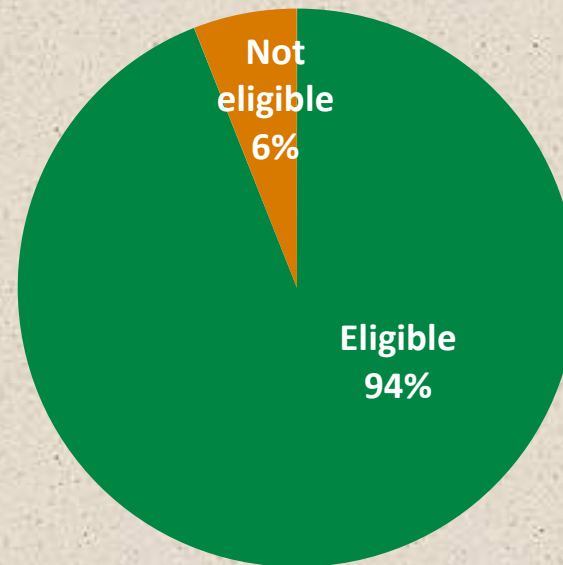


# Types of CIS Sites

CIS served students throughout the education spectrum.



Eligible for free or reduced price lunch: 2012/13





# Proof CIS Works

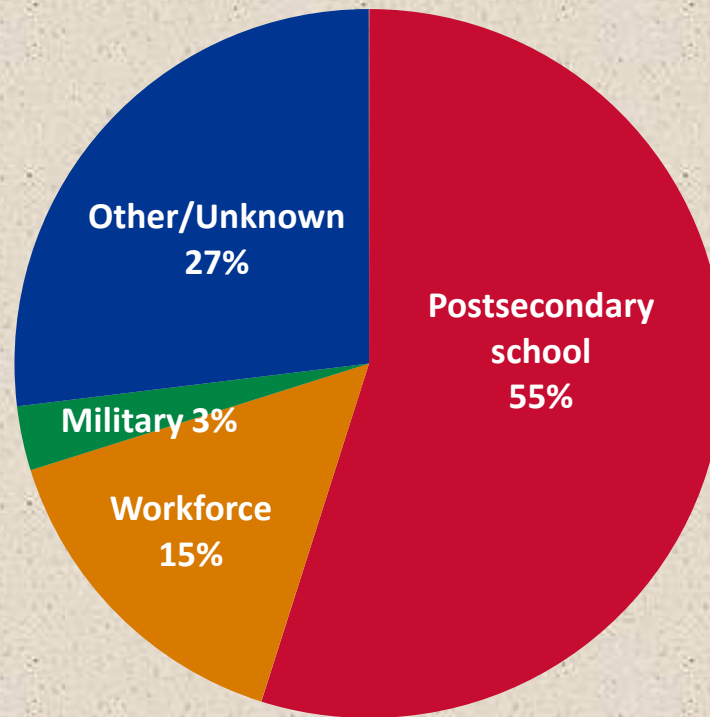
## Outcomes for Level 2 students grouped by grade level: 2012-2013

Grade level	N	%
Students in grades K–11		
Promoted	13,921	95.6
Retained	540	3.7
Dropped out	98	0.7
Total <sup>1</sup>	14,559	100.0
Students in grade 12		
Graduated	1,172	96.5
Retained	13	1.1
Dropped out	30	2.5
Total <sup>2</sup>	1,215	100.0

Note: These data do not include students who transferred (N=452) or whose year-end status was Other or Unknown (N=2,328).

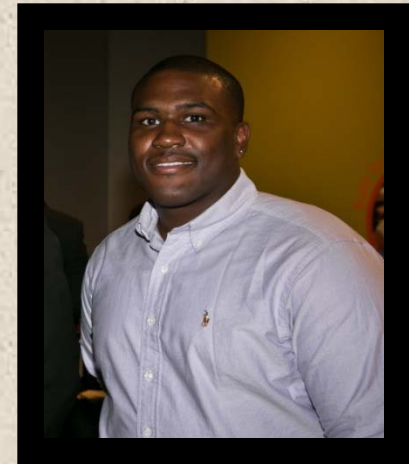
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Outcomes for Level 2 high school graduates: 2012-2013



# The Power of the CIS Model to Impact a Life

*"The CIS staff introduced me to the Governor's Page Program. That opportunity allowed me to see something more – the future."*



***Rashaud Trice***

Law Enforcement Officer

CISNC Board Member