



Communities In Schools®

Chesterfield



YOUR IMPACT BY THE NUMBERS



14,725

**STUDENTS SERVED
ACROSS 16
SCHOOLS**



99%

**STAYED IN SCHOOL
WHEN CIS-C WAS
PRESENT**



96%

**PROMOTED OR
GRADUATED**

STUDENT OUTCOMES



71% IMPROVED ATTENDANCE



81% IMPROVED ACADEMICS



78% IMPROVED BEHAVIOR



80% IMPROVED SOCIAL-
EMOTIONAL LEARNING

HOW YOUR INVESTMENT MAKES A DIFFERENCE

EMBEDDED SITE COORDINATORS

Your support places 19 full-time Site Coordinators inside schools, where they build lasting relationships with students and families and respond before small challenges become bigger barriers.

INDIVIDUALIZED STUDENT SUPPORTS

Your generosity provides one-on-one case management, mentoring, attendance interventions, behavioral support, and help meeting basic needs so students receive the right support at the right time.

STRONGER SCHOOL COMMUNITIES

Your partnership helps schools create safe, supportive learning environments through collaboration, prevention, family engagement, and school-wide initiatives that benefit every student.

2025-26 HIGHLIGHTS



EXPANDED TO HOPKINS ELEMENTARY

Welcomed our 16th school site, expanding CIS-C support to 775 additional students.



PILOTED DENTAL CARE PARTNERSHIP

Partnered with the Virginia Department of Health to bring preventive dental care directly to students at school.



STRENGTHENED FAMILY ENGAGEMENT

Established caregiver focus groups to better understand family needs and strengthen student support.



NAMED NONPROFIT OF THE YEAR

Recognized by the Chesterfield Chamber of Commerce for our impact in the community.



LAUNCHED OUR SIGNATURE FUNDRAISER

Introduced the Adult Spelling Bee Extravaganza, raising more than \$77,000 for students.



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BEYOND THE NUMBERS: NYJAH'S STORY

When Nyjah transferred to Meadowbrook High School, he quickly became known as a respectful, hardworking student with a bright smile and a willingness to help others. But beneath the surface, he was carrying years of grief, family challenges, and the quiet belief that he had to face it all alone.

Everything changed the day he walked into Site Coordinator Dr. Erica Hale's office and finally allowed himself to open up. For the first time, **Nyjah felt truly heard**. Through consistent check-ins, mentorship, and a trusted relationship with Dr. Hale, he began processing the weight he had carried for so long while building the confidence to prioritize his own future.

Today, Nyjah is thriving. He continues to excel in JROTC, works part-time while preparing for college, and is exploring opportunities through Virginia State University. With the support of a mentor and caring adults who believe in him, he has learned that asking for help is a sign of strength, not weakness.

Nyjah's story is a powerful reminder that sometimes the most important thing we can offer a young person is the confidence that they don't have to carry life's burdens by themselves.



BACKED BY RESEARCH. POWERED BY RELATIONSHIPS.

Independent longitudinal research from the Harvard Graduate School of Education and Opportunity Insights found that three years of Communities In Schools support leads to lasting benefits for students—both in school and into adulthood. The study shows that CIS' relationship-driven approach delivers measurable, long-term outcomes, including:

5.2%

HIGHER GRADUATION RATES

Students were significantly more likely to graduate high school.

9.1%

HIGHER COLLEGE ENROLLMENT

Students were more likely to enroll in a two-year college program.

\$36,000

MORE LIFETIME EARNINGS

Projected increase in lifetime earnings from approximately \$3,000 invested in three years of CIS support.

Source: Goldman & Gracie (2025), *When Resources Meet Relationships: The Returns to Personalized Supports for Low-Income Students*. Opportunity Insights & Harvard Graduate School of Education.

HARVARD



GRADUATE SCHOOL
OF EDUCATION

OPPORTUNITY
INSIGHTS

THE RIPPLE EFFECT



EVERY RELATIONSHIP creates a ripple.

A caring adult sees potential, builds trust, and empowers a student.



EVERY STUDENT who overcomes barriers strengthens a family.

New confidence. New opportunities. A stronger foundation at home.



EVERY FAMILY strengthens a school.

Engaged families. Positive relationships. Healthier, more supportive schools.



EVERY SCHOOL strengthens a community.

Better schools. Stronger neighborhoods. A brighter future for all.

THANK YOU for creating a ripple effect across
Chesterfield County!