

Frequently Asked Questions of Communities In Schools of Jacksonville

Q: When was Communities In Schools started in Jacksonville?

A: Communities In Schools was founded in Jacksonville in 1989 and began working in its first school, Jefferson Davis High School, in January of 1991.

Q: Where is Communities In Schools located?

A: Communities in Schools' administrative offices are at 3100 University Blvd. South in Jacksonville, FL. However, the majority of our employees are embedded in more than 60 Duval County schools.

Q: How is Communities in Schools funded?

A: Communities In Schools receives federal, state and city funding from organizations such as the Jacksonville Children's Commission, the City of Jacksonville, the United Way of Northeast Florida, the Community Foundation, Duval County Public Schools, AT&T, the Communities In Schools' national office and the Jaguars Foundation. Other sources of funding include donations from business and citizens within the Jacksonville community.

Q: How many students does Communities in Schools provide its services to?

A: Communities In Schools provides its services to more than 7,000 students in Duval County schools.

Q: How many schools does Communities in Schools work with?

A: Communities In Schools has employees embedded in more than 60 Duval County schools.

Q: How many people are employed by Communities In Schools?

A: Communities In Schools employs about 70 full-time and 400 part-time employees.

Q: What does Communities In Schools do?

A: Communities In Schools is the largest and most effective dropout prevention program in Jacksonville and operates five unique programs that help it obtain its goals of fewer dropouts and increased graduation rates.

Q: What makes Communities In Schools unique from other dropout prevention programs?

A: Communities In Schools is differentiated from other dropout prevention programs in that everything it does is performed by employees on school campuses.

Q: How many years has Communities In Schools been working with Duval County's students?

A: Communities In Schools has been serving the students of Duval County for more than 20 years.

Q: How can I gain access to Communities In Schools' services for my child or a child I know?

A: If you know a child that you believe would benefit from becoming involved with Communities In Schools, you can contact the CIS administrative offices at 904-354-5918 or email at info@cisjax.org.

Q: How can I become involved with Communities In Schools as a volunteer or mentor?

A: If you would like to become a part of Communities In Schools by volunteering or mentoring, visit our Volunteer or Mentor page to download an application for the program that you feel is the best fit for you. For those interested in mentoring in the Achievers for Life program, complete the application and email it to Rhett Nussbaum at RNussbaum@cisjax.org, fax it to 904-355-9009 or mail it to the CIS administrative offices. For those interested in mentoring in the Take Stock in Children program, complete the application and email it to Sara Cooley at scooley@cisjax.org, fax it to 904-355-9009 or mail it to the CIS administrative offices.