

Our Focus

Communities In Schools of Northwest Michigan works inside K-12 schools full time to build relationships with students that empower them to stay in school and succeed in life.

For too many children, challenges outside the classroom like hunger, poor health, or trauma at home or in their community can stand in the way of success inside the classroom. That is why our staff are in schools every day.

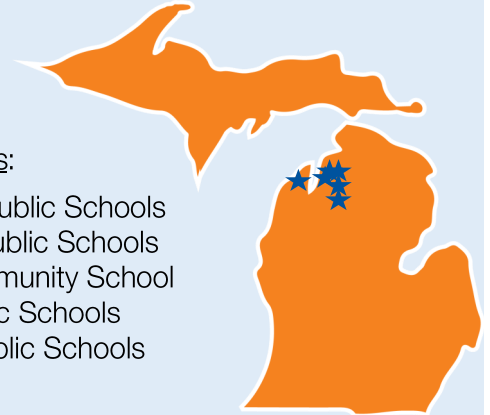
Our Approach

Communities In Schools places site coordinators inside school buildings. Our staff work in partnership with school personnel every day. This allows us to partner with teachers and to see what is going on in students' lives and in the classroom. Once we know what a student needs, we coordinate with the community—businesses, health care providers, and nonprofits—to bring outside resources inside schools and do whatever it takes to help students succeed.

Whether it's clean clothes, help with school work, or someone to talk to when things get tough, we connect students with the relationships and resources they need to succeed.



Our Footprint



School Districts:

Central Lake Public Schools
East Jordan Public Schools
Ellsworth Community School
Kalkaska Public Schools
Mancelona Public Schools



1,794

Students Served
during the 20/21
School Year



207

Students participating
in the CIS
After-School Program
(Mancelona & Kalkaska)

Our Results

Our commitment to the students we serve also keeps us focused on results. As an accredited affiliate from the Communities In Schools network, we know that our approach works because it is backed by 40 years of experience and rigorous research.

Among the students who received our most intensive supports during the 20/21 school year:



100%

Remained
in school



99%

K-11 students
were promoted



100%

Seniors graduated
or
received a GED



93%

Met or made
progress towards their
academic goal



94%

Met or made
progress towards their
behavior goal



87%

Met or made
progress towards
their attendance goal