

Communities In Schools of Clark County



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2015/2016 School Year Results

During the 2015/2016 school year, CIS of Clark County was able to serve hundreds of students through the various programs and services we provide. Listed below is a breakdown of some of those programs and the number of children and their families who were served by each this year.

In-School Tutoring: **420**

Centerstone Therapy: **289**

3, 2, 1 Read: **88**

21st Century Community Learning Centers: **200**

Extended Day Learning: **409**

CIS Trivia Night..... April Winners and Upcoming Changes

The CIS Trivia Night held in April was one of our most successful to date. A total of twenty-three teams were in attendance. At the end of the evening, long-time participants, "Team Stone Concrete" (pictured below) were crowned the winners. Thanks to some amazing themed baskets donated by the schools, the silent auction was a big success. Through category and program sponsors, silent auction profits, team admission totals, two 50/50 drawings, and "skip a question" donations, the event raised over \$5000!

CIS is trying something new in November. Instead of having a fall Trivia Night event, we are planning a special breakfast "Ask Event" on Tuesday, November 15. For more information about the event, please call the CIS of Clark County office at 812-280-0028.

Don't worry trivia buffs, CIS Trivia Night will return on Friday, April 7, 2017.



July 2016

Expansion to High School

CIS of Clark County just received word that we were awarded a grant from the CIS National Office that will allow us to expand our services into Jeffersonville High School beginning with the 2017-2018 school year. We will be working closely with Greater Clark and Jeff High teachers and administrators in the coming months to plan programs and services that will provide maximum support to students, parents, and teachers. The grant will also help provide funding for the new CIS of Indiana state office. Having a state office will greatly benefit our affiliate by offering consistency, support and possible additional funding opportunities. We are incredibly excited about the possibilities this grant brings and can't wait to get started planning our expansion!

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Calling All Volunteers!



We are currently looking for 321 Read volunteers for the 2016/2017 school year. If you have an hour a week, you can make a huge impact on the life of a child! Sadly, the number of 321 volunteers has declined in recent years, so we need volunteers now more than ever! It is a fantastic program and we really want to keep it going strong, so if you are interested in becoming a volunteer please contact the CIS office at 812-280-0028.

SAVE THE DATE

- ||| CIS of Clark County 9th Annual Golf Outing
- ||| Friday, September 9 – Covered Bridge
- ||| To Register Your Team of 4 – Visit the CIS of
- ||| Clark County website at cisofclark.org

Thanks to Donors for Generous Grants

CIS recently received the great news that we were awarded grants from **WHAS Crusade for Children, Region 18 Prevention Programs, Ronald McDonald Charities**, and from the **Duke Energy Foundation**. Funding from the Crusade for Children grant will help pay for the cost of school based therapists and allow us to better serve special needs students in our afterschool programs. Region 18 monies will help purchase clothing, backpacks and lice shampoo and will also help pay for the cost of Resource Coordinators and Therapists at identified schools. The grant from Ronald McDonald Charities will help provide funding for our 321 Read Program and help purchase materials for the Bare Necessities program. Funding from the Duke Energy Foundation will be used to expand STEM programming in our afterschool programs. STEM (Science, Engineering, Technology and Math) activities are extremely popular as well as educational. As part of the Duke grant, CIS will be able to partner with Mad Science of Kentucky to provide weekly science activities at several schools. The grant will also provide professional development for our afterschool staff members. Thank you so much to these generous donors!



Staff Spotlight ~ Pam Bischoff



Pam Bischoff started with CIS of Clark County several years ago as our grant writer. She left briefly to pursue other opportunities and returned last year as our grant writer and part time CFO. Recently we were able to increase Pam's position to full-time. We are so excited to have her on board as part of our leadership team!

Pam holds a Bachelor's degree in Arts Administration from the University of Kentucky. She is an alumni of KY Governor's School for the Arts, Leadership Institute, and The Grantsmanship Center. Pam has 15 years of experience in non-profit administration, and has helped organizations raise over \$6 million in grant funding over the last 8 years.

Pam says she is "very honored to be a more permanent part of the team here at CIS of Clark County. I love coming to work each day - the staff and volunteers are amazing. I'm looking forward to great things happening for Clark County students in the next year!"

Board Member Spotlight ~ Polly Hendricks

Dr. Polly Hendricks grew up in North Vernon, Indiana. She attended Ball State University where she received a BS in Biology, then went on to Indiana University School of Optometry. Polly served on the clinical faculty at IU for 10 years before relocating to Clarksville to be nearer to her family. She and Cathy Graninger soon teamed up to organize the yearly vision screenings for all first graders in Clark County.

Dr Hendricks has served as President of the Indiana Optometric Association and received its highest award, Optometrist of the Year in 2016. Polly was also awarded the Indiana University "Spirit of Philanthropy" award in 2004. Since selling her businesses in 2015, she is able to devote more time to gardening, time with pets, and volunteering for organizations such as Communities in Schools. She says, "I love working with organizations that can get so much done on their budgets. It makes your volunteer time seem so worth it."



NAP Credits

CIS of Clark County recently received word that we were awarded NAP (Neighborhood Assistance Program) tax credits to sell to our donors again this year. We have \$12,381.00 of credits available for purchase. Purchasing NAP credits is a great way to save money on your income taxes and support CIS at the same time. Credits bought before December 31 can be taken off of your 2016 taxes. If you would like to purchase these tax credits, or would like more information about the program, please contact the CIS office after the middle of August.

To learn more about CIS of Clark County and find out how you can be more involved, please contact Julie Moorman or Michelle Allen by phone at (812) 280-0028, or by email at cis@cisclark.org. Your gift to our organization will help continue our important work. All gifts are tax deductible as we are a not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organization. Donations and correspondence can be sent to our address at 1406 Frederick Ave., Jeffersonville, IN 47130.