Dear Parent or Guardian,

Your child is invited to join the Communities In Schools Dallas Region (CIS) program offered at Carpenter Middle School. CIS is a support program that provides a wide variety of services to students and their families. Some of the services that we offer include:

- providing mentors and/or tutors
- homework assistance
- > leadership programs
- > college information
- social skills/enrichment activities

Our campus-based program is <u>free</u> to all students. We would love for your child to participate in this educational opportunity.

Attached is our standard CIS Parent Consent - Release of Information form. This form is a <u>requirement</u> in order for your child to participate in the CIS program. Please complete the form in ink, and return to your child's teacher or to the CIS office, Rm. F 106.

We are looking forward to having you and your child as a part of our CIS team. If you have any questions or would like to schedule a meeting to discuss your child's participation in this program, please contact the CIS Site Coordinator.

If you have any questions please contact <u>Brandie McDonald</u> at <u>brandie.mcdonald@pisd.edu</u> or 469-752-5000 ext. 25090

The mission of CISDR is to surround students with a community of support empowering them to stay in school and achieve in life.

Below are a few things Communities in school will bring to Carpenter Middle school.

- 1. <u>W.O.W (working on Womanhood)</u>- Girls support group that involves: college prep/ career, goal setting, social behavior, etiquette, self-esteem, and anger management.
- 2. <u>Boys II Men</u>- Boys support group that involves: college prep/ career, goal setting, social behavior, etiquette, self-esteem, and anger management.
- 3. <u>Tutoring</u>- Tutors will come in before and during lunch to tutor students
- 4. Mentors will come once to twice a week to mentor students.
- 5. **Events** CIS will help create fun and educational events and field trips for the students.
- 6. **Guess Speakers** CIS will bring guess speakers to career day and other events.
- 7. <u>School Supplies</u> –CIS has school supplies all year round for students in need.
- 8. <u>Community Resources</u> CIS will bring in resources from the community into the school to help provide student with basic needs for school and home.
- 9. <u>Vision Vouchers</u>- CIS will provide student with free certificate for a doctor's visit and a pair of glasses if student in uninsured.

AND MUCH MORE