



Communities
In Schools

Lehigh Valley

THE PROBLEM:

20% of students in the United States, often disproportionately poor, do not graduate from high school.

EVERY
26
SECONDS

a student drops out of high school.



CHALLENGES related to basic needs, physical and mental health, and lack of a positive role model are all **BAGGAGE** that drags kids down on their path to a high school diploma.

High school dropouts earn on average
\$1 MILLION LESS
than college graduates over their lifetimes.



Each high school dropout will cost taxpayers an estimated
\$292,000
over his or her lifetime, based on incarceration rates, public assistance, and lost tax revenue.

10%

OF HIGH SCHOOL DROPOUTS WILL BE **INCARCERATED** AT SOME POINT IN THEIR LIFETIMES.

30%

OF HIGH SCHOOL DROPOUTS LIVE IN **POVERTY.**

BY **2018**, HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES WILL HAVE ACCESS TO NEARLY **3X** AS MANY JOBS AS HIGH SCHOOL DROPOUTS.



As a nation, we must mobilize communities to address both **academic** and **nonacademic** barriers to learning. That's the work Communities In Schools has been doing successfully for over 35 years.



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