

ELISS IMPACT

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Communities
In Schools

North Carolina

In schools to help kids stay in school.

What is ELISS?

- **E**xtended — going beyond the school day
- **L**earning —reinforcing classroom concepts
- **I**ntegrated — community supports within the school building
- **S**tudent — students at-risk of dropout, not performing or displacement
- **S**upport — evidence based program with multi-tiered supports to address student barriers to success

Grantees

Communities In Schools organizations in:

- Brunswick County
- Pender and New Hanover Counties
- Montgomery County
- Alexander, Ashe, Allegheny, Wilkes Counties
- Nash County
- Rowan County



10,000 Foot View ELISS

- **18** Organizations funded to provide Extended Learning and Integrated Student Supports for **\$5,801,450.00** annually for two years
- **75** locations

Purpose:

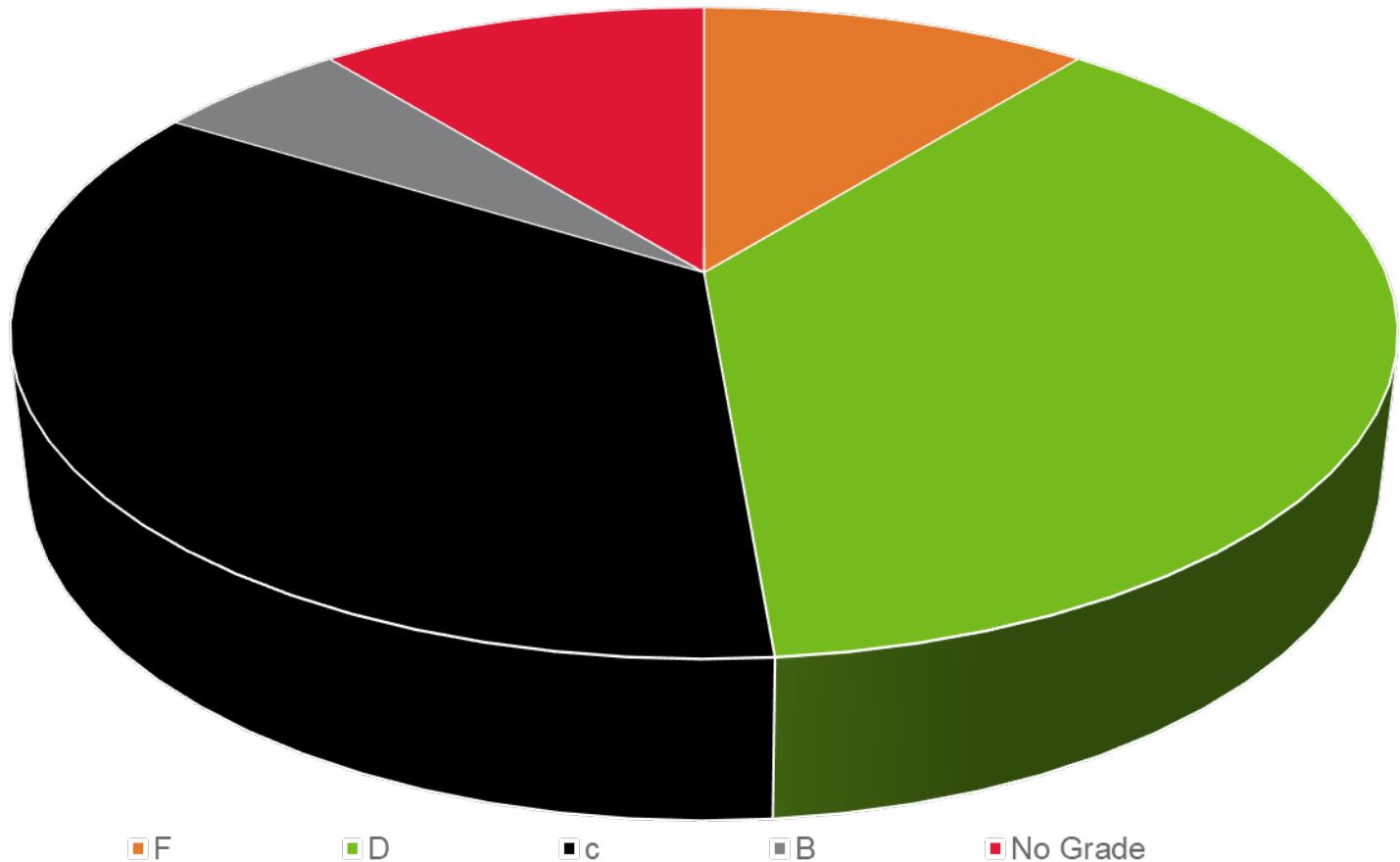
Session Law 2017 Section 7.24 – The purpose of the program is to fund high-quality, independently validated extended learning and integrated student support service programs for at-risk students that raise standards for student academic outcomes.

Overview of Communities In Schools Services

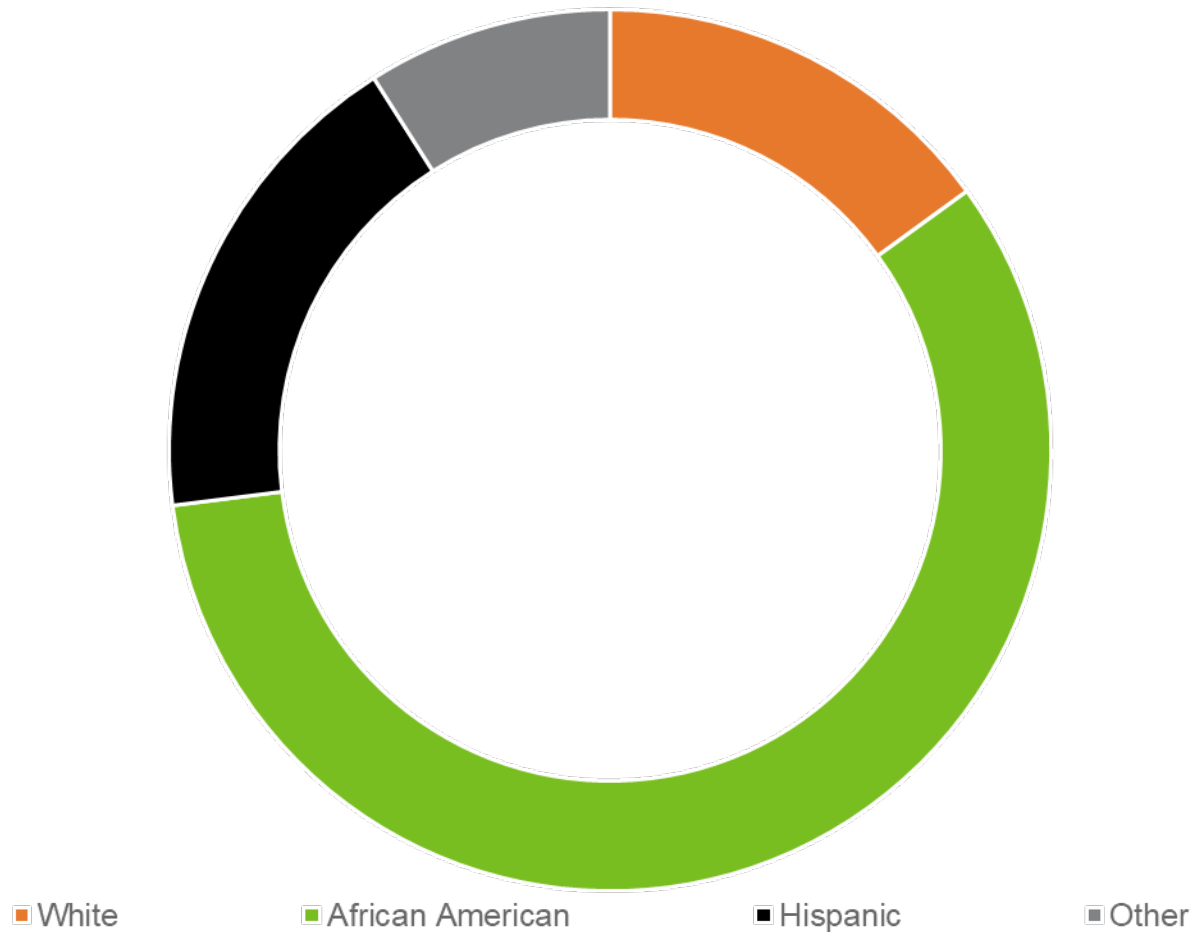
- ELISS allowed CIS to provide services to additional students in additional schools, with deeper intensity (more services per student)
- CIS used ELISS to fund services in **37** schools, serving **11,590** students
- CIS targeted at-risk students in low performing, primarily high poverty schools
- **92%** of all CIS students received either free or reduced price lunch
- ELISS created opportunities for deeper engagement of districts and community funders
- Early results are promising

ELISS School Snapshot

School Grades



Student Demographics



Service Provided

Students receive multi-tiered supports

Tier 1 – Whole School Supports

Career Fairs Financial Literacy workshops
Anti-bullying and Violence Prevention

Tier 2 – Small Group Supports

Behavioral Support Programing
Avid Academic Tutoring

Tier 3 – One-on-one Supports

One-on-One Goal Setting and Mentoring
Academic Tutoring

Student Success 17-18

Community	Promotion	Attendance	Behavior	Coursework
CIS Brunswick	91%	79%	79%	89%
CIS Cape Fear Area	95%	79%	89%	86%
CIS Montgomery	84%	71%	94%	94%
CIS Northwest North Carolina	85%	68%	93%	90%
CIS Rocky Mount	92%	85%	85%	82%
CIS Rowan	93%	84%	81%	93%

The UNCG SERV Center is contracted to evaluate programs receiving ELISS grants by July 31.

Impacts from a School Leader

“The ELISS Grant allows Pender County Schools to provide high-quality, after-school learning and all-day integrated student support services for our at-risk high school students. Without this grant, this level of direct service would end at the middle schools in our district. ELISS allows us to collaborate with Communities In Schools to provide invaluable programs and personnel that provide a multitude of wraparound services for students in need.”

Dr. Beth Metcalf
Executive Director for k-12 Instructional Data Support and
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Pender County Schools

Impacts from a Parent



“Instead of kids hanging out in the streets, getting wrongly influenced or making bad decisions with idle time, you opened the WIRE. Wow! What an amazing impact you make on this community.”

Sustaining Impact -- NWNC

ELISS funded expansion into 5 schools in Alexander County = 1610 student impacted

- Today – the schools want to continue the program
- Principals are bought in
- Meeting with businesses to fill the funding need
- Seeking additional grants to sustain programing and deepen impact



Ongoing Need

564 Total low performing schools in NC

1 in 5 Schools in NC are designated low performing

1 in 5 Children live in poverty



Case for Continuation

ELISS Grants are a valuable tool for students and schools because:

- Provide an opportunity to expand services to at-risk students
- Leverage federal and community funds
- Research and evidence-based practice with data to prove impact
- It Works!





Thank you!



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