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Communities In Schools of South Carolina proudly serves students at St. Andrews Middle School.

About Communities In Schools

Communities In Schools (CIS) is the largest provider of integrated student supports in the nation. Our program provides the needed supports to help your child stay in school and achieve in life. In 39 schools across South Carolina, more than 24,500 students participate in our programming annually.

Services provided include individual student supports, as well as group sessions that may include topics such as social and emotional wellbeing, goal setting, dealing with peer pressure, improving study habits, building self-confidence skills, academic attendance support, and making healthy choices.



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CISSC at SAMS

Hispanic Heritage Month

We celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month to recognize the achievements and contributions of Hispanic American champions who have inspired others to achieve success.

Each year, we observe National Hispanic Heritage Month from September 15 - October 15 to celebrate the histories, cultures and contributions of American citizens whose ancestors came from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean and Central and South America. CIS celebrates the diversity of our students and promotes an inclusive learning environment that benefits from the perspectives of our students and their varying heritages and cultures.



As trusted educators, caregivers, and parents, we need to engage in open and honest conversations with children about race and the diversity of our students' cultures, values, and traditions. We encourage our St. Andrews families to take this opportunity to shine a light on the critical contributions, rich culture, and long history of Hispanic and Latino Americans. With these resources, students can read, listen, watch, and go off-screen for activities that will give them a window into the enormous impact that Hispanic and Latino people have had on our world. [Learn more here.](#)

Conversation with Latinos on Race

Explore the experiences, culture, and contributions of Hispanic Americans who have shaped Latino – and American – history by visiting [New York Times short videos](#) that will serve as a platform for dialogue on the deep racial tension and polarization that exist in our communities.



Discussing Race and Cultural Diversity at Home

Communities In Schools of South Carolina values the diversity of our students at St. Andrews Middle School and encourages parents to openly discuss topics of race and culture with their children.

PBS offers 10 tips to guide conversations regarding race and ethnicity. [Visit PBS](#) to learn how to hold a safe space for your children to indulge in honest reflection surrounding race and cultural diversity.

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