

WHAT

IS THE SISCO PROGRAM?

The Stay in School for College and Career Opportunities (SISCO) Program has two main components—SISCO I for middle-school students, and SISCO II for high-school students—both focused on reducing the drop-out rate among Hispanic students through tutoring, enrichment and motivation.



SISCO I offers students:

- in-school tutoring,
- after-school tutoring and enrichment activities,
- student and parent workshops,
- high school visits,
- merit activities and
- a Summer Enrichment Program.

SISCO II students concentrate on:

- ACT/SAT college entrance exam preparation,
- academic and homework tutoring,
- proficiency review classes,
- job preparation,
- college visits and application assistance,
- financial aid guidance for students/parents,
- a Summer Enrichment Program, and
- scholarships for college.

WHY

SHOULD A STUDENT ENROLL IN THE PROGRAM?

SISCO I

- Middle school SISCO I students demonstrate increased self esteem.
- Participation encourages school attendance.
- Activities provide students with the skills to achieve academically.
- Program efforts work to improve participants' decision-making ability.
- Service activities allow students an opportunity to give back to their community.
- The program prepares students for success in high school.

SISCO II

- Activities focus on improving grades and overall academic skills.
- Program efforts expand students' knowledge of various career opportunities.
- College visits expose students to new environments.
- Financial Aid information helps students and their parents understand their options.
- Students are encouraged to apply for scholarships.
- Service activities allow students an opportunity to give back to their community.

WHERE

IS THE SISCO PROGRAM OFFERED?

SISCO programs are currently offered to students attending Buhner School, Joseph M. Gallagher School, Lincoln West High School, and other Cleveland high schools.



Visit our website for a brief video featuring the benefits of our many programs.

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YOUR SUPPORT GIVES OUR
CHILDREN
HOPE
FOR THE FUTURE.



Esperanza means “hope” in Spanish, and hope is exactly what **Esperanza, Inc.** has generated in the lives of students for more than 25 years. Since 1983, thousands of Greater Cleveland-area students have received tutoring, leadership development, technology training, mentoring, college and career counseling, and scholarship assistance through **Esperanza's** services. We serve Hispanic students in schools large and small, public and parochial, inner-city and suburban.

A STUDENT WHO PREPARES
TODAY
 SEES TOMORROW'S CHALLENGES AS
STEPS
 RATHER THAN OBSTACLES TO SUCCESS.

In the City of Cleveland School District, the Hispanic drop out rate is near 70%. Students have difficulty keeping up and fall behind academically, especially in the fields of English and math.

The Stay In School for College & Career Opportunities (SISCO) program strikes at the heart of the problem and works to improve school attendance while helping teen students realize their potential.



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OUR MISSION

The mission of Esperanza is to **ENHANCE EDUCATIONAL AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES** for Hispanic Americans.



OUR VISION

Esperanza will be a model of **ACADEMIC AND COMMUNITY EXCELLENCE** by:

- motivating academic advancement and achievement,
- enhancing quality of economic and community life.
- promoting continuity of community through leadership,
- offering enriched educational services and opportunities, and
- providing scholarship assistance.



OUR FUTURE

Esperanza is currently providing more educational support services, tutoring more students, offering more programming, funding more scholarship opportunities and facilitating more collegiate cooperation **THAN AT ANY TIME IN ESPERANZA'S HISTORY.**

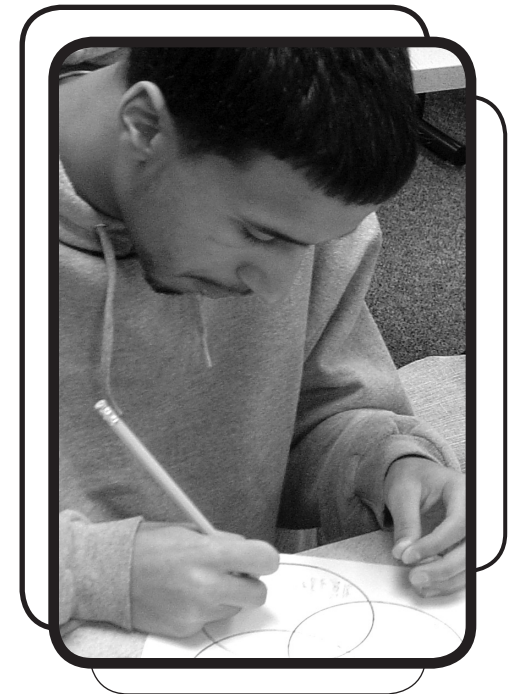
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HELPING TEENAGERS FACE TOMORROW'S CHALLENGES

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