# what is a Connected Community School

A Community School is figuratively or physically hubbing all of your community services and resources into your school building. Our mission as Connected Community Schools (CCS) is to create Community Schools that ensure students and families have their basic needs met, that they are inspired and supported by the Community.







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## connecting the dots



# to a brighter future!

### the four \*\* components of CONNECTED COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

#### **Family Engagement**

Why: CCS seeks to assist families with creating more positive experiences through fun and engaging activities with their children and their school, facilitating positive interactions with our staff and resulting in continued relationships and increased engagement in their children's education. CCS never charges families and we are always conscious of such hurdles as transportation.





Classroom Programming and Community Connections

> Why: We are always striving to provide our students with the most engaging and creative education. By adding programming from our community partners, this brings hands-on learning and experiences straight from our experts of the community. Our teachers love the help and our students love the experiences!

**How:** Through collaboration with community and school partners, kept up through our constant mining of resources and partnerships, our Site Coordinators work together with the schools to create, schedule, and facilitate fun and engaging programming for our students and families.



LINK is our single point of access for service delivery that connects students and families to the appropriate resources and services within their community based on identified needs.

Why: If every student's basic needs were met, they could successfully engage in their academics and hopefully even enjoy it! Identified school staff will refer any student, family, or individual that has an identified need, struggle, or worry. Our Site Coordinators will assess the full household for needs and work with the family to connect them to resources in their community.

# HUB

CCS HUBs are physical spaces within our Connected Schools that house a variety of tangible items such as snacks, grocery items, hygiene products, and school supplies, to meet the needs of our students and school community. They also provide a safe and engaging environment for student and community engagement through lunch or afterschool activities, learning opportunities, and the use of games from the CCS Fun Library!

**Questions? More Info?** 

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