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The Most Effective Local Organization Dedicated to Keeping Kids in School and Helping Them Succeed in Life Hosts 6th Annual Students Growing Tomorrow's Communities Luncheon

Marietta, Georgia - Communities In Schools of Marietta/Cobb County (CISMCC) is hosting the 6th Annual Students Growing Tomorrow's Communities Luncheon on Monday, October 24 at 11:30 a.m. at the Hilton Marietta Conference Center. The annual event celebrates the students that are part of the CISMCC programs and helps to further the mission of CISMCC to surround students with a community of support, empowering them to stay in school and to achieve in life.

The luncheon highlights the accomplishments of students who were not on the path to graduation and the success of CISMCC in bringing these students back into focus and on the road to graduation. The luncheon is \$30 per attendee, CISMCC students attend for free. To reserve a seat at the luncheon, visit the CISMCC website, www.cismcc.org.

This year's event will be emceed by WSB-TV's Linda Stouffer. Stouffer anchors Channel 2 Action News This Morning. She is an Emmy award-winning reporter who covers stories for Channel 2 Action News during the week and also hosts WSB's Community program People 2 People.

The Keynote speaker for this year's luncheon is Dr. William Cooper. Dr. Cooper earned his medical degree at the University of Missouri in Kansas City, Mo. He completed his general surgery and cardiothoracic surgery residencies at Emory University in Atlanta, Ga. and is a Lieutenant Colonel – Medical Corps in the United States Army Reserve. Currently he is at WellStar Cobb Hospital and WellStar Kennestone Hospital.

About CISMCC

Since 2000, CISMCC has served students in both school systems in Cobb County. Through a school-based coordinator, CISMCC connects students and their families to critical community resources tailored to individual needs. Last school year, 257 students served by CISMCC graduated who would have otherwise dropped out. CISMCC is part of the national Communities In Schools network, which is one of the nation's leading dropout prevention organizations. Communities In Schools uses an evidence-based model, implemented by trained site coordinators, to connect students and their families to critical educational and community based resources. This involves working hand-in-hand with schools, communities and families to identify their unique needs and surround students with a caring network of support.

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