

ConnectioNews

SFA/CTE and CIS - Together Building PRIDE, One Little Tiger at a Time

Of the South Plains

The Mission of CIS:

"Surrounding students with a community of support, empowering them to stay in school and achieve in life"

<u>CIS provides many</u> services on campus free of charge!

Individual case management and mentoring

Educational assistance

Social service referrals

Life skills groups

Parent Outreach



August Activities

Preparation for a Great Year!

On August 9th, Mr. Doucette began preparing for the 2016-2017 school year. He is excited to see the students again and to be able to spend the entire school year serving the students and families at SFA and CTE.

What does Mr. Doucette Do?

Mr. Doucette basically serves as a professional mentor for students.

When a student is recommended to him for reasons related to grades, attendance, behavior, or access to social services he talks to the student's parents to see if they would be willing to have him work with their child. Once a Parent Consent form is signed, Mr. Doucette creates a student profile and does an assessment of the student's needs. Following the assessment, Mr. Doucette provides consistent follow up through one-on-one mentoring and inclusion in student groups based on the student's needs and communicates frequently with teachers and the school counselor about how she or he is doing. Mr. Doucette also loves to keep parents informed on their child's progress and is available to assist them with their needs in terms of food, clothes, monthly bills, and access to health care/medications.

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CIS Basics

To be successful, CIS believes that every child needs and deserves a:

- *one-on-one relationship with a caring adult
- *safe place to learn and grow
- *healthy start and a healthy future
- *marketable skill to use upon high school graduation
- *chance to give back to peers and community

These CIS Five Basics are provided to students on every campus served by CIS.