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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE COMMUNITIES IN SCHOOLS OF PENNSYLVANIA ANNOUNCES NEW EDUCATIONAL FUND

HARRISBURG, Pa. (March 1, 2023) – Communities in Schools of Pennsylvania has established an educational fund to honor Justin Croson, who tragically passed away in early 2022. Justin was a 2020 Spring Grove High School graduate and a loyal friend who loved music, sports and weightlifting.

CISPA established the fund with the support of Dave and Sherrie Croson, Justin's parents, who generously donated Justin's last paycheck to the organization. CISPA has been profoundly moved by communications from Justin's parents and friend, John Prego, a CISPA site coordinator at Goode K-8 School.

"Justin was always a happy kid," said John. "He just wanted to have a good time and live in the moment. That was him. I can't explain the amount of joy he brought to my life."

The Justin Croson #AllinforKids Fund will support youth in The School District of the City of York by covering expenses related to extracurricular activities, athletics and college/career readiness. Resources and supplies distributed will include but are not limited to sports equipment, attire for jobs or internships, SAT/ACT testing and college application fees.

CISPA hopes to raise \$10,000 for the Justin Croson #AllinforKids Fund in 2023 to provide York students guidance as they take the next steps in their lives.

You may send your contribution to Communities in Schools of Pennsylvania, 234 State Street, Harrisburg, PA 17101, or make an online donation by visiting www.cisofpa.org/donate.

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youth annually. Communities in Schools' holistic approach addresses both the academic and nonacademic needs of students. Communities in Schools recognizes that if basic needs such as food, clothing and shelter are not met, children are unable to learn.