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TASTING EVENT AT THE LONG CENTER TO BENEFIT COMMUNITIES IN SCHOOLS

(AUSTIN, TEXAS) – On September 21, Communities In Schools of Central Texas will host the 20th annual Food for Thought event at the Long Center. Presented by Silicon Labs, Food for Thought brings together Austin’s favorite local chefs for a night of great food and live music to support Central Texas students who struggle with non-academic barriers to success in school. Children cannot learn at their potential when they are in crisis or face significant need. Communities In Schools provides support by bringing resources and relationships to school campuses -- surrounding students with a community of support, empowering them to stay in school and achieve in life.

Congressman Michael McCaul and Linda McCaul, Kathryn and Beau Ross, and Linda and Mark Williams are the Food for Thought Event Chairs. Evan Smith, Editor-in-Chief, CEO and co-founder of The Texas Tribune and Austin Police Chief Art Acevedo will be our special guest presenters.

Alcomar, Café Divine at St. David's Episcopal Church, Congress, dine, The Driskill Hotel: 1886 Café & Bakery, East Side King, Finn & Porter, Hudson’s on the Bend, laV Restaurant & Wine Bar, Moonshine Patio Bar & Grill, olive & june, Sala & Betty, Siena Ristorante Toscana, Stories Fine Dining at Hyatt Lost Pines, and Sway will all be serving up signature dishes.

“This year, Communities In Schools celebrates 30 years in Central Texas and this is the 20th annual Food for Thought event. Food for Thought is a tremendous event that showcases exceptional local chefs, features live music and a beautiful venue, and gives the community a chance to come together to support student achievement,” says Suki Steinhauser, CEO of Communities In Schools of Central Texas.

Additional information about Food for Thought and ticket information can be found online at ciscentraltexas.org.

Food for Thought at the Long Center
Monday, September 21, 6-9 p.m.
Benefiting Communities In Schools of Central Texas

ABOUT COMMUNITIES IN SCHOOLS

The mission of Communities In Schools is to surround students with a community of support, empowering them to stay in school and achieve in life. In the 2014-2015 school year, we served more than 50,000 individuals with services ranging from mental health counseling to crisis intervention, basic needs assistance, mentoring, and academic intervention. More than 6,000 students received intensive case management. Of the children we serve, 99% stay in school and 87% improve their grades, attendance, or behavior. Learn more about our programs online at ciscentraltexas.org and connect with us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [LinkedIn](#)

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