

LIFEWISE ACADEMY



HOW CHURCHES CAN GET INVOLVED

LifeWise is committed to being local church driven. Everyone involved at the local level from Steering Committee members to program Staff and Leadership Board members must be recommended by and represent a local church. Corporately, local churches are invited to consider engaging in some or all of the following three ways:

1. Communicate

The first way a church can get involved is by clearly communicating about LifeWise to their congregations:

- ◆ **Community Interest List:** In the early stages, communicate thoroughly and regularly the need for signatures on the Community Interest List. Keep in mind that a large list is important to demonstrate to the school that the community wants a local LifeWise. There are several ways churches can spread the word:
 - ◇ During a worship service
 - See lifewise.org/churches for resources and a step-by-step guide
 - ◇ Church email or printed newsletter, social media, small groups, etc.
 - ◇ See lifewise.org/growlist for more ideas and resources
- ◆ **Needs:** After the school approves the program, communicate the needs of the program, including:
 - ◇ Prayer
 - ◇ Staff and volunteer positions (Director and teachers, walkers, drivers, etc)
 - ◇ Donations

2. Be Represented

It is ideal when many local churches are represented among the LifeWise leadership. This is sometimes done by church staff but more commonly by church members. Some ways to be represented are:

- ◆ Steering Committee in the early stages of launch
 - ◇ Apply to join a Steering Committee at lifewise.org/steeringcommittee
- ◆ Leadership Board after receiving school approval
 - ◇ Apply to become a board member at lifewise.org/leadershipboard
- ◆ Staff and volunteer positions

3. Give

Please consider contributing to the mission. Some ways to give include:

- ◆ Financial support toward start-up and/or recurring costs
- ◆ Use of church facilities, vehicles, printer, etc.

ARE YOU IN? IDENTIFY A LIFEWISE LIAISON

LifeWise asks churches that would like to participate to identify a point of contact for the local LifeWise leadership. This individual can communicate and coordinate the specific opportunities for church involvement as they arise. Email info@lifewise.org to register your liaison.