



LIFEWISE ACADEMY



**Bible-Based Character Education
During School Hours**

Coach Name

LifeWise Program Coach



Name

[School District Name] Steering Committee Member



LEGAL | SIMPLE | PRACTICAL



HOW IT WORKS



We Keep It Legal

- ◆ We diligently adhere to federal, state and local laws and policies to keep religious and public institutions separate.



HOW IT WORKS



We Keep It Simple

- ◆ We focus on the central messages of the Bible, foundational themes that speak to common issues of people.



HOW IT WORKS



We Keep It Practical

- ◆ We want to see lasting change in schools, communities and students and seek to make instruction actionable.



WHY RELEASED TIME?



WHO BENEFITS?



- ◆ **Students** - Research shows improvement academically and behaviorally in students involved in released time programs
- ◆ **Schools** - In addition, released time programs can reinforce character development and improve mental health
- ◆ **Communities** - Families, businesses and organizations all benefit from investment in students morals and character development



WHERE WE'RE AT



2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR



- ◆ Over 25,000 students enrolled
- ◆ 276 Live Programs
- ◆ An additional 150+ confirmed to launch in Fall of 2024



QUESTIONS



LIABILITY



Question: In the event of an accident off school property, what would be LifeWise protocol and who would bear responsibility?

Answer: *LifeWise assumes liability for students the moment they exit the school. LifeWise carries liability insurance and enforces extensive safety and security protocols.*



LIABILITY (CONTINUED)



Question: How do you ensure that students are safe before, during and after each class?

Answer: *LifeWise has extensive safety and security protocols that often mirror the policies of local schools. All LifeWise employees and volunteers are background screened prior to participating with students. Background screenings can be provided to the school upon request.*



LIFEWISE TEACHERS



Question: How does each LifeWise Program oversee their individual teachers? Are there set standards?

Answer: *LifeWise has an application process that each teacher candidate must go through to be considered for the role. The application can be found at lifewise.org/teacherapplication*



LIFEWISE TEACHERS (CONT'D)



Question: How does each LifeWise Program oversee their individual teachers? Are there set standards?

Answer: *Each teacher goes through training along with additional ongoing opportunities. The curriculum is set which limits any deviation. Teachers must also go through yearly evaluations similar to many public educators.*



SCHEDULE



Question: How does LifeWise fit into a school schedule?

Answer: *The schedule varies greatly from school to school, depending on a variety of factors. Most schools integrate released time into their weekly specials rotation, providing students the option to attend LifeWise or library, tech or study hall. Students will not miss mandatory/core curriculum courses.*



SCHEDULE (CONT'D)



Concern: There is no time for LifeWise because we do not want to devalue our special classes.

Answer: *LifeWise will work with school administrators to find the best place for LifeWise in the school day which does not necessarily need to be in the place of any existing special. In addition, we encourage schools to simply allow parents to choose what is best for their children.*



ADDITIONAL PROGRAMS



Question: If a school offers LifeWise, won't that allow other programs to be offered as well?

Answer: *Yes, it is possible other programs will spring up, and they should be allowed! We are confident in the valuable message of LifeWise and trust parents to choose the program that is best for their children.*



IMPACT



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Title



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OUR ASK



10 STEPS TO LAUNCHING A LOCAL PROGRAM



NEXT STEPS



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THANK YOU!



ADDITIONAL Q&A

