



# YES, I WOULD LIKE TO SEE A LIFEWISE ACADEMY STARTED IN MY SCHOOL DISTRICT!



I would consider volunteering



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# LIFEWISE ACADEMY



## LEGALLY TEACH THE BIBLE DURING SCHOOL HOURS

### WHY? The Need for Bible Education in Public Schools

Studies show that **8 in 10 American youth don't attend church ... but 9 in 10 attend public schools.** What does this mean? Reaching youth with the gospel in today's culture is a challenge. Since most students aren't inside church walls, why not go where they are?

### WHAT? Released Time and LifeWise Academy

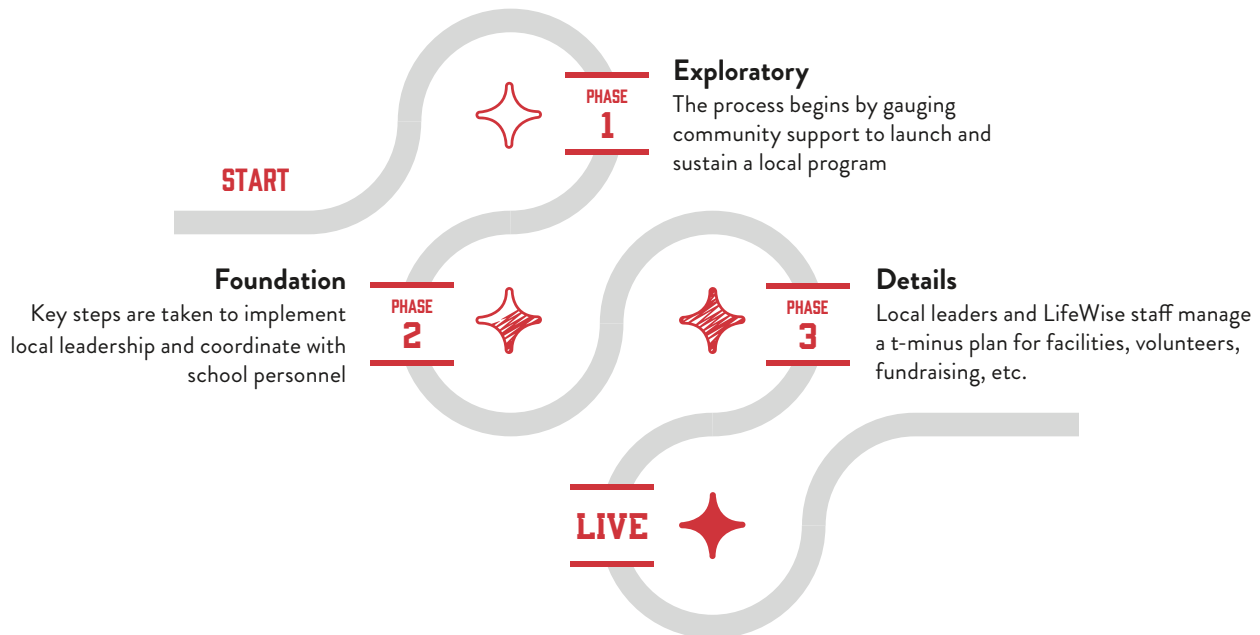
LifeWise Academy is a Released Time Religious Instruction (RTRI) program which exists to reach unchurched students in public schools with the gospel. Under little-known RTRI laws, students can be released from public school during the school day to attend religious classes, provided the program is **off school property, privately funded, and parent permitted.**

### Yes, It's Really Legal!

The legality of Released Time Religious Education has been upheld by the US Supreme Court for more than 60 years. Specific state policies vary. For example, Ohio law, HB 171 (ORC 3313.6022) was passed in the Ohio legislature and signed into law by the Governor. The law allows public school students to receive elective Biblical instruction during the school day, following the conditions above.

### HOW? Launching Our Local Program

Starting a local program is broken down into three simple launch phases.



### THE IMPACT

In Van Wert, Ohio, **nearly 95%** of all elementary school students, grades 1-5, participate in LifeWise and are taught the Bible each week.



The best way to get a feel for the vision of LifeWise Academy and its potential to impact your community is by watching the 3-minute demo video at [lifewiseacademy.org](http://lifewiseacademy.org)

### NEXT STEPS

Your next step is to gather signatures in order to demonstrate broad community support.

**1 SHARE THE VIDEO**  
Get the message out in your community about this little known opportunity

**2 TELL THE STORY**  
Use the website, this document, and other LifeWise materials to share our mission

**3 GET SIGNATURES**  
Visit your community's interest page at [lifewiseacademy.org](http://lifewiseacademy.org)