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From: LifeWise [donotreply@lifewise.org]
on behalf of LifeWise <donotreply@lifewise.org> [donotreply@lifewise.org]
Sent: 10/23/2025 8:56:06 AM
To: christine_shaver@tiffincityschools.org
Subject: It's Movie Night! Grab Free Tickets with BOGO Code OFFSCHOOL

IN THEATERS OCTOBER 23

OFF SCHOOL PROPERTY



DOCUMENTARY | TONIGHT ONLY | OCT 23 | RUNTIME 90 MIN

The wait is over! Tonight is the night *Off School Property* premieres in theaters across America. **One night. One film. One opportunity** to see how Bible education is changing America. Don't miss it.

There's still time to grab your tickets. Select locations have added additional screens and showtimes! Bring a friend, join the movement, and be part of this historic moment.

GET FREE TICKETS >

USE PROMO CODE **OFFSCHOOL** FOR BUY ONE, GET ONE FREE TICKETS

Use promo code OFFSCHOOL at checkout to receive one free ticket for every ticket purchased (discount applies to half the tickets in your cart). Offer valid while supplies last. Promotion subject to availability and may end without notice.

Tonight, we'd love to hear from you! LifeWise supporters across the country will be capturing their local showings—photos with friends, theater marquees, even going live. Wear your LifeWise or *Off School Property* gear and help us flood social media with stories of how God is moving!

Share your experience on social media, tag **@LifeWiseAcademy**, and use **#OffSchoolProperty** and **#LifeWiseMovie** to connect with others. We'll be sharing and reposting the most inspiring and fun content from around the country.

See you there!

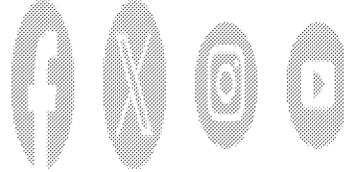
The LifeWise Team

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on behalf of Nadeau, Gerald <gerald_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org> [gerald_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org]
Sent: 10/23/2025 10:38:05 AM
To: Wise, Michelle [michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org]
Subject: Re: Questions

Yes

Thank you,
Jerry

Jerry Nadeau
Superintendent
Tiffin City Schools
244 S. Monroe Street
Tiffin, Ohio 44883
Office--(419) 447-2515
Cell--(330) 714-2821



On Thu, Oct 23, 2025, 9:24 AM Wise, Michelle <michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org> wrote:
Could we meet for a few minutes before the meeting at 1:00? I could be at the admin building at 12:45.

Michelle Wise
Principal
Krout Elementary School



On Thu, Oct 23, 2025 at 8:54 AM Nadeau, Gerald <gerald_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org> wrote:
Good morning,

I have time throughout the day, also have time before our 1:00 meeting. Please let me know what works for you.

On Thu, Oct 23, 2025 at 7:40 AM Wise, Michelle <michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org> wrote:
If you have time today, I have three things I would like to run by you. The first one I know the answer to, but want to make you aware that parents are concerned about how it was worded on Final Forms. The second one I am not sure who to ask. The third is filling you in with a conversation I had this morning. If you have any time today, please let me know. If not, no big deal. Nothing is immediate or earth shattering. Thanks!

1. Parents asking if what they agreed to on Final Forms applies to LifeWise
2. School Messenger training for Staff

3. Lynn Hull

Michelle Wise
Principal
Krout Elementary School



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Thank you,
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Sent: 10/24/2025 9:01:32 AM
To: christine_shaver@tiffincityschools.org
Subject: What did you think of Off School Property? A quick question for you!



Hi Christine,

What a night! Thousands gathered in theaters across the country to experience *Off School Property: Solving the Separation of Church and State*. Together, we witnessed how Bible education is changing lives and communities from coast to coast.

Did you see the movie? If so, **we'd love to hear your thoughts!** Please take 2 minutes to [share your experience](#).

With joy,

The LifeWise Team

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Sent: 10/28/2025 12:55:07 PM
To: christine_shaver@tiffincityschools.org
Subject: Here's the Latest from LifeWise Academy



LifeWise Academy
NATIONAL UPDATE



STORIES FROM THE CLASSROOM

One of our students was recently baptized! The mom gave a huge shoutout to our fabulous lead teacher and praised the program for sharing the gospel with students and reinforcing and encouraging students who are already familiar with it. **This is all that matters: growing the kingdom and sharing what Jesus has done for us.** Even if it's just one family, that's one family, one generation and one legacy the Lord will use!

Program Director, Pearl River, MS

I asked my third grader about what she learned in class. She immediately, confidently, and accurately recited the Bible verse she had learned in LifeWise. I was so surprised and amazed that she remembered the lesson and verse so clearly. **It was a beautiful reminder that the time these students spend learning the gospel is truly sinking in,** giving them a foundation of God's Word to carry with them wherever they go.

Parent, Greenville, OH

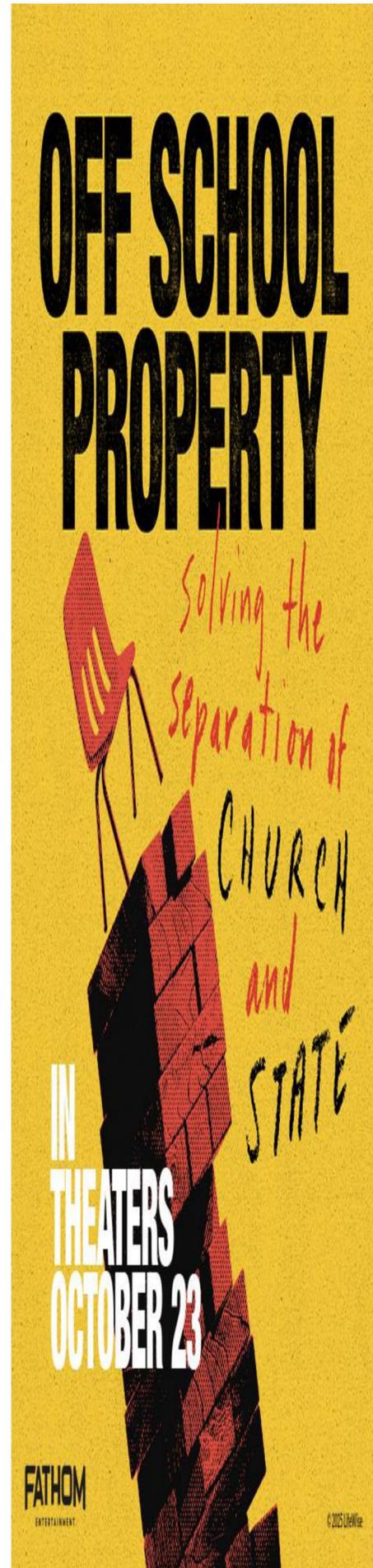
During a recent LifeWise lesson, the teacher was explaining the incredible sacrifice Jesus made when He died on the cross. After class, one of our middle school students, who lives with physical and mental disabilities, paused as he placed his Bible on the cart. He turned to his teacher and asked, **"That thing you were just talking about ... that thing Jesus did ... is that for me too?"** With a heartfelt, "Yes! This includes YOU!" the teacher affirmed the truth of the gospel. The student looked to his aide, amazed, as if he had just heard the greatest news of his life.

Program Director, Wells County, IN

LifeWise on the Big Screen

Last week, audiences filled theaters across the nation to watch *Off School Property*. Viewers witnessed how Bible education is returning to the public school day, and many left inspired to bring the LifeWise movement home to their own communities. From coast to coast, conversations are starting and momentum for sharing the gospel is growing. Check out some of these reactions:

Prairie Grove, AR—"I feel I am sitting on the edge of the greatest Good News awakening as it's moving across the globe. In the story of the George family, the mom said something like, 'Our generation missed hearing the good news, but out of the mouths of our children, God is bringing us back.' This is exactly what we are experiencing here in our community. All glory to the Father!"



Perrysburg, OH—"This was so well done. The history of the Bible in education and the mid-1900s Supreme Court ruling was especially informative. Our elders often talk about the days when the Bible was part of their school experience. All Christians need to see this film—and churches need to host it! God is calling us back to Him."

Seneca, KS—"I was already interested in helping start a LifeWise program in my community, using a nearby established program as a model. But now I'm even more passionate! The impact of the program on kids is huge ... and so noticeable. What surprised me most was the impact on their families. It's so encouraging to see how far the ripple effects reach. Imagining what this could mean for my community and for the Kingdom has deeply reinforced my calling and given me new motivation!"

This is just the beginning! **If you missed *Off School Property* in theaters or want to see it again, don't worry! The film will be available to stream next month on Angel Studios.** Stay tuned for more details coming soon via email and on our social media channels.



Coming Up: State of the Ministry

Join us **Tuesday, November 11 at 12 p.m. (ET)** for a virtual State of the Ministry update, broadcast live from our studio. We'll be sharing updates about what God is doing in and through LifeWise this school year, and we'll be taking your questions LIVE. More details to come!

We're grateful for all the Lord is doing and are eager to see what's to come. Please keep LifeWise students, families and communities in your prayers. Thank you for your faithful support of LifeWise Academy!

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on behalf of Wise, Michelle <michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org> [michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org]
Sent: 10/30/2025 2:34:17 PM
To: Hepp, Jami [Jami_Hepp@tiffincityschools.org]
Subject: Re: Spreadsheet shared with you: "Krout Master Schedule 2025-2026"

Good catch! I think I just fixed it. Friday will be your music day:)

Michelle Wise
Principal
Krout Elementary School



On Thu, Oct 30, 2025 at 2:27 PM Hepp, Jami <Jami_Hepp@tiffincityschools.org> wrote:
You have Hepp for Music on Thursday and Library for Thursday. Should music be Friday since he has a planning time then?!

On Thu, Oct 30, 2025 at 12:58 PM Michelle Wise (via Google Sheets) <michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org> wrote:

Michelle Wise shared a spreadsheet



Michelle Wise (michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org) has invited you to **edit** the following spreadsheet:

Can you all PLEASE check Sheet 17? I want to make sure it is correct before I send it to everyone. I worked to get all third grade classes two library sections so that if/when LifeWise starts in third grade there will still be one consistent library time they can have. The only class I could not fit in was Welter. Please give me feedback as soon as you can so I can send to everyone else.

 Krout Master Schedule 2025-2026

[Open](#)

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Google Workspace

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To view this discussion visit <https://groups.google.com/a/tiffincityschoools.org/d/msgid/2nd-grade-krout/autogen-java-3e5f4225-267a-41f3-a267-40d247256cf5%40google.com>.
For more options, visit <https://groups.google.com/a/tiffincityschoools.org/d/optout>.

Message

From: Meghan Sandrock [REDACTED]
on behalf of Meghan Sandrock <[REDACTED]>
Sent: 11/3/2025 12:47:40 PM
To: Wise, Michelle [michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org]
Subject: Re: Second 12 Week Schedule

I will forward this on to Phil. Thank you, Michelle!

According to this schedule, our start date looks to be Tuesday December 2nd. Our last step in this process of launching is to secure transportation. We are hoping to go look at a bus we found to purchase and if all goes according to plan, December 2nd should work! I will keep you posted.

We also plan to get the permission slips out to Mr. Nadeau this week so those can be distributed to the parents of the 3rd graders and they can begin signing up.

Feel free to contact me if you have any questions!



Meghan Sandrock
Program Director - Tiffin
954.815.1258
lifewise.org

On Mon, Nov 3, 2025 at 7:42 AM Wise, Michelle <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Michelle Wise
Principal
Krout Elementary School



----- Forwarded message -----

From: Wise, Michelle <michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org>
Date: Mon, Nov 3, 2025 at 7:14 AM
Subject: Second 12 Week Schedule
To: <[REDACTED]>

Hello,

I've attached the second 12-week library schedule. The red highlighted classes indicate the third-grade groups you'll be working with and the day you'll have them.

Each third-grade class has been scheduled for two library sessions during this cycle, with the exception of Miss Welter's class. This setup should help support a smooth transition.

Please let me know if you have any questions about the schedule, and keep me updated on your progress as you begin the program so I can make sure you have everything you need. Could you please forward this to Phil? I can not find his email address. Thanks!

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:00-8:30	Morning Duty - Library				
8:30-8:55	Plan	Plan	Plan	Plan	Plan
8:55-9:40	Burkes	Cimo	Hull	Shook	AA
9:45-10:30	Massi	Massi	McLellan	McLellan	AA
10:30-11:15	Hicks	Hicks	Welter	Newlove	Newlove
11:20-12:05	Hoover	K. Wise	Plan	Hoover	K. Wise
12:05-12:45	Lunch/Recess Duty				
12:45-1:20	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
1:20-2:05	Jones	Hepp	Jones	Hepp	AA
2:10-2:55	Downie	M. Wise	Burkes	Plan	AA
3:00-3:30	Bus Duty				

Michelle Wise
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From: Theresa Stover [theresa_stover@tiffincityschools.org]
on behalf of Theresa Stover <theresa_stover@tiffincityschools.org> [theresa_stover@tiffincityschools.org]
Sent: 11/3/2025 5:23:26 PM
To: Michelle Wise [michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org]
Subject: Re: Veterans Day

Thank you-I'm sure it will work out!
Sent from my iPhone

On Nov 3, 2025, at 10:09 AM, Wise, Michelle <michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org> wrote:

Hi Theresa,

This change applies only to the library so that all third-grade students are guaranteed library time. Our third graders, in particular, need as much typing practice as possible. Typing a multi-paragraph response on the OST is a significant challenge, and anything we can do to ease that barrier will make a difference.

We can also look into additional typing programs that offer independent lessons for students. Finding the right one would reduce planning for you and give students regular opportunities to build their typing skills.

Michelle Wise
Principal
Krout Elementary School



On Mon, Nov 3, 2025 at 9:03 AM Theresa Stover <theresa_stover@tiffincityschools.org> wrote:

Good morning!

I did look over the new schedule and I have a concern. Maybe I'm not seeing this correctly. It looks like I lost a fair amount of planning time? Does everyone else have all the 3rd graders twice or is it just library to accommodate for Lifewise? I'm thinking this will definitely impact the Typing program if I use the double time just for that purpose, typing weekly, I will run out of lessons in Typing. When I had them type every other week or so, it stretched out the lessons to last almost to the end of the school year. I can add my own typing lessons but that takes a fair amount of time. Also having back to back classes 4 out of 5 days will be difficult especially with how many books we are circulating a month (for October it was over 4000 total check outs and check ins) not to mention the time I need to repair, do overdue notices, shelve, plan lessons and general library tasks. If you need me to come in and talk more I can, just let me know-I'd be happy to do that!

Here are my veterans from my family
Ray Baker, Army, 1972-1974 brother
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Sent from my iPhone
Ralph Baker Jr, Army-WWII-Philippines Father
<image1.jpeg>

Thomas Brandeberry, OVI Union Army Civil War 1861-1864. Great, great grandfather
<image2.jpeg>
I have a working phone now finally-same number.
Thanks again!!

On Oct 31, 2025, at 12:59 PM, Wise, Michelle
<michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org> wrote:

Hello stranger!

I hope your recovery is going well. I wanted to reach out, but was told that your phone was broken so I couldn't get a hold of you:)

I am excited to celebrate Veterans Day like this. I have had some families send in pictures too. I love that our kids will see their family members, along with the family members of our staff.

LifeWise update - The last I heard they were going to begin in December. If you have a minute, check out Sheet 17 on the Master Schedule. This is my proposed schedule for the second 12 weeks. I was able to get every third grade two library days except Welter. Check it out and let me know what you think? Hope to see you soon!

Michelle Wise
Principal
Krout Elementary School



On Fri, Oct 31, 2025 at 12:00 PM Theresa Stover
<theresa_stover@tiffincityschools.org> wrote:

Thank you for celebrating our veterans this way! I have a very special place in my heart for Veterans and talk about this, read books and share how important they are to all the classes in library each year-one of my favorite lessons!

I have a few veterans in my family-I will be sending you pics soon.

On another note-any update from Lifewise?

Hope to see everyone soon!

Theresa

Sent from my iPhone

Message

From: Joel Penton [donotreply@lifewise.org]
on behalf of Joel Penton <donotreply@lifewise.org> [donotreply@lifewise.org]
Sent: 11/4/2025 4:10:20 PM
To: christine_shaver@tiffincityschools.org
Subject: Invitation: LifeWise State of the Ministry Livestream



FROM THE DESK OF THE CEO



Hey LifeWise Family,

We're thrilled to invite you to tune into our quarterly broadcast live from the Tressel Coaching Hall for our November **State of the Ministry** update!

We'll share a look back at the theatrical release of *Off School Property* and talk about our new partnership with Angel Studios and what it means as this movement grows.

We will walk through the latest numbers to show how God is multiplying this work across the country. Plus, hear updates directly from our State Directors and help us kick off a focused time of prayer.

State of the Ministry Livestream

Tuesday, November 11, 2025

12 p.m. ET

ADD TO CALENDAR >

Join us on YouTube or Facebook to be part of the conversation:

YouTube: <https://youtube.com/live/DWobIAED3os>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/share/1FDFNc4nH6>

(Note: You'll need to be subscribed to LifeWise Academy on YouTube or on Facebook to post a comment or ask a question.)

Grateful for you,



JOEL PENTON

Founder & CEO

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on behalf of Ott, Brette <brette_ott@tiffincityschools.org> [brette_ott@tiffincityschools.org]
Sent: 11/5/2025 3:52:01 PM
To: Wise, Michelle [michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org]
CC: Armstrong, Molly [molly_armstrong@tiffincityschools.org]
Subject: Re: Books in 109

Perfect! I'm on board.

On Tue, Nov 4, 2025 at 4:16 PM Wise, Michelle <michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org> wrote:
It is not connected to LifeWise.

Michelle Wise
Principal
Krout Elementary School



On Tue, Nov 4, 2025 at 4:07 PM Ott, Brette <brette_ott@tiffincityschools.org> wrote:
This isn't connected to the Lifewise organization correct? It is after school and based in academic tutoring, not targeted lessons in religion during school.

On Tue, Nov 4, 2025 at 7:52 AM Wise, Michelle <michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org> wrote:
I just sent you an email chain regarding the program. Let me know if you have any questions. Thanks!

Michelle Wise
Principal
Krout Elementary School



On Tue, Nov 4, 2025 at 7:45 AM Armstrong, Molly <molly_armstrong@tiffincityschools.org> wrote:
I love this idea!

Molly Armstrong, Ed.S, NCSP
Director of Student Services
Key Club Advisor
Tiffin City Schools
[Local Mental Health Agencies](#)
[Community Resources](#)

On Tue, Nov 4, 2025 at 7:39 AM Ott, Brette <brette_ott@tiffincityschools.org> wrote:
I'm thinking this would be okay. I see the benefit for our students. Where is the after school program taking place?

On Tue, Nov 4, 2025 at 7:20 AM Wise, Michelle <michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org> wrote:
Hello,

I am working with Rotary and Charlene Thomas to begin an afterschool program for some of our third grade students. Charlene would like some materials to take to help the students with their reading. Do you think I could allow her to "borrow" some of the leveled readers we have in room 109? This could be a win-win. The students would be able to read them during the tutoring sessions they are providing, and we would no longer need to store them since they are not supposed to be used as leveled readers. Let me know what you think. I'm meeting with Charlene today at 10:15.

Michelle Wise
Principal
Krout Elementary School



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Curriculum Coordinator

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

For the 2025-2026 school year starting December 2nd, all Krout Elementary students in grade 3 will have the opportunity to participate in a new program called LifeWise Academy. LifeWise is a released time religious instruction program that allows students to attend off-site, non-denominational, Bible-based classes with an emphasis on character education. See how LifeWise works by visiting lifewise.org.

WHEN? LifeWise classes will take place during Library time for approximately 40 minutes each day, for a 12-week period. Students will still be given time to check out library books during the school day.

WHERE? Students will be driven via bus to Restoration Alliance Church 2531 OH-100, Tiffin, OH 44883.

WHO? LifeWise will be staffed with teachers who have experience working with and teaching children. Teachers, Volunteers, and Bus Drivers have all completed FBI/BCI background checks as well as child abuse awareness and mandated reporting training. Volunteers will chaperone students to and from the elementary building and help in the classroom.

To enroll your child in LifeWise, please complete the enclosed permission form and return to your child's teacher **no later than Monday, December 1st**. If you have questions or concerns, please contact Meghan Sandrock & the LifeWise Tiffin Team by email at tiffincityoh@lifewise.org

We look forward to the opportunity to serve you by providing your student with character education from a biblical perspective!

Sincerely,

Meghan Sandrock
Program Director
LifeWise Academy Tiffin

**This program is not sponsored by Tiffin City Schools. Student participation is voluntary upon written permission of the parent.*



LIFEWISE ACADEMY PERMISSION FORM

Classes Begin December 2nd!

In addition to their regular classes, parents have the option to enroll their children in LifeWise Academy.

- ◆ LifeWise Academy is a non-denominational, Bible-based released time religious instruction program with emphasis on character education
- ◆ Students attend classes during one of their Library rotations
- ◆ Students will travel by bus with chaperones to and from their LifeWise classes
- ◆ **Please return this form to your child's teacher no later than Monday, December 1st**
- ◆ For more information, go to lifewise.org/tiffncityoh

Today's Date:* _____

Student First Name:* _____ Student Last Name:* _____

Student Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy):* _____ Grade (25-26 school year):* _____

Address:* _____

Parent/Guardian First Name:* _____ Parent Last Name:* _____

Parent/Guardian Email Address:* _____

Parent/Guardian Phone Number:* _____

Are you a custodial parent/legal guardian of this student?* _____

Relationship to student (if not custodial parent/legal guardian): _____

Are there any custody arrangements we should be aware of? If yes, please explain:*

Student Shirt size: _____

Classroom Teacher: _____

Does your student have any health concerns or food allergies we should be aware of? If yes, please list:

Does your student have any learning, behavioral or emotional needs we should be aware of?

Does your student have any medical conditions we should be aware of?* _____ (if yes, please answer the three questions below)

Describe Diagnosed Medical Conditions: _____

Signs and Symptoms of Medical Emergency (list specific symptoms to watch for): _____

Emergency Action Steps (When symptoms escalate—include steps like administering medication, the student self-administering, calling 911, contacting parents, etc.):

Does your student have any allergies we should be aware of?* _____ (if yes, please answer the three questions below)

Allergens (Food, medications, bee stings, etc.): _____

Typical Reaction: _____

Emergency Treatment Instructions (e.g., antihistamine, epinephrine (Epi-Pen), call 911): _____

Does your student need emergency medication on site at LifeWise? _____

- Yes, I choose to allow my child to attend LifeWise Academy classes.
- Yes, I consent to the disclosure of personally identifiable information (as defined in FERPA) including medical information to LifeWise personnel in the event of a medical emergency or for reasons determined by the school district as appropriate.
- Yes, I consent to the photography/video of my student while in LifeWise for promotional purposes.

Signature of Custodial Parent/Guardian:* _____

This program is not sponsored by the local school district. Student participation is voluntary upon written permission of the parent/guardian. This permission form will remain in effect as long as the child is enrolled with the local public school.

Policies are available at lifewise.org/parentinfo.

Message

From: Meghan Sandrock [REDACTED]
on behalf of Meghan Sandrock <[REDACTED]>
Sent: 11/10/2025 12:01:42 PM
To: Nadeau, Gerald [gerald_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org]
Subject: Re: Posting information

Thank you, Jerry. Would it be okay if we printed the forms ourselves to have distributed to the students at Krout?



Meghan Sandrock

Program Director - Tiffin
954.815.1258
lifewise.org

On Mon, Nov 10, 2025 at 9:59 AM Nadeau, Gerald <gerald_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org> wrote:

Good morning,

We have submitted your request for a legal review. Unfortunately, we are not able to grant your request. The State Auditor has determined that posting information like this on any of our sites is an expenditure of funds.

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Thank you,
Jerry

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on behalf of Joel Penton <donotreply@lifewise.org> [donotreply@lifewise.org]
Sent: 11/11/2025 8:01:17 AM
To: christine_shaver@tiffincityschools.org
Subject: LIVESTREAM TODAY (Noon ET): LifeWise State of the Ministry



FROM THE DESK OF THE CEO

State of the
MINISTRY



LifeWise Family,

We hope you can **join us TODAY at noon** for a quarterly **State of the Ministry update!** Hear the latest news from LifeWise Academy, celebrate all the Lord has done and listen in to what we're looking forward to as we wrap up the year.

Tune in via YouTube or Facebook:

YouTube: <https://youtube.com/live/DWoblAED3os>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/share/1FDFNc4nH6>

(Note: You'll need to be subscribed to [LifeWise Academy on YouTube](#) or [follow LifeWise Academy on Facebook](#) to post a comment or ask a question.)

State of the Ministry Livestream

Tuesday, November 11, 2025

12 p.m. ET

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See you soon!



A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joel Penton".

JOEL PENTON

Founder & CEO

This email was sent by: LifeWise Academy

3940 Lyman Dr Hilliard, OH, 43026, United States

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on behalf of Joel Penton <donotreply@lifewise.org> [donotreply@lifewise.org]
Sent: 11/11/2025 4:16:13 PM
To: christine_shaver@tiffincityschools.org
Subject: In Case You Missed It: LifeWise State of the Ministry



IN CASE YOU MISSED IT



Today, we gathered with a live audience for our quarterly State of the Ministry livestream. We talked about where we've been, where we're going and what it will take to get there. Plus, we heard from exciting updates about state initiatives, the LifeWise movie and CityWide! If you missed it, check out the [recording on YouTube](#).

Join the LifeWise Prayer-a-Thon

As Vince Coleman shared, we're setting aside 24 hours to cover LifeWise in prayer! The LifeWise Prayer-a-Thon kicked off today at 1:00 p.m. ET and continues through Wednesday, November 12 at 12:00 p.m.

Will you take a moment to pray for students, teachers and communities across the nation? Sign up for a prayer time [here](#).

PRAY WITH US >

Focus on LifeWise CityWide

As we close out the year, we're turning our attention to **LifeWise CityWide**—our effort to bring Bible education to public school students in urban areas. CityWide is already reaching students in cities like Columbus, Memphis and Los Angeles, and momentum is building for expansion into even more communities.

Join the effort to reach students in our nation's cities by supporting CityWide. **Learn more and give at lifewise.org/citywide**.

Thanks for tuning in. Praise God for all He has done!



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on behalf of Stover, Theresa <Theresa_Stover@tiffincityschools.org> [Theresa_Stover@tiffincityschools.org]
Sent: 11/13/2025 1:57:46 PM
To: Mary Massi [mary_massi@tiffincityschools.org]; Sarah Hicks [sarah_hicks@tiffincityschools.org]; Kristen Wise [kristen_wise@tiffincityschools.org]; Shawnie McLellan [shawnie_mclellan@tiffincityschools.org]; Lindsay Newlove [lindsay_newlove@tiffincityschools.org]; Samantha Hoover [samantha_hoover@tiffincityschools.org]; Maria Welter [maria_welter@tiffincityschools.org]
CC: Michelle Wise [michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org]
Subject: New schedule

Just wanted to give you some information regarding the 2nd library classes starting next week.

LifeWise will be taking students from library classes on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, starting in December I believe.

If your class is scheduled on those days, your class will always be bringing Chromebooks, unless otherwise noted. We will be alternating between keyboarding (Typing.com) IXL and BeAwesome Internet Safety course. Exception is **Mrs. McLellan's** class on **Wednesday**, her double class will be **Thursday**, if I am understanding this correctly.

Tuesday - Massi, Hicks and K. Wise (LifeWise) Bring Chromebooks every week

Wednesday - Welter (LifeWise) Bring Chromebooks when noted (I will try to come up with a schedule for your class)

Thursday - McLellan, Newlove and Hoover (LifeWise) Bring Chromebooks every week

"Regular" Library classes are: **Monday** - Massi, Hicks, Hoover, **Wednesday** - McLellan and Welter, and

Friday, Newlove and K. Wise. These will be the days that students are checking out books, and we are reading novels and occasionally doing some enrichment activities to go along with the book.

Thanks!

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Theresa Stover
Krout 2-3 Elementary, Library
20 Glenn Street
419-447-2652

Message

From: Keith Comer [keithc@respectpublicschools.com]
on behalf of Keith Comer <keithc@respectpublicschools.com> [keithc@respectpublicschools.com]
Sent: 11/13/2025 2:08:14 PM
To: Spence, Anne [anne_spence@tiffincityschools.org]
Subject: Re: Public Records Request

I appreciate the follow-up and taking my calls earlier.

I hope you have a great week.

Keith

On Thu, Nov 13, 2025 at 9:01 AM Spence, Anne <anne_spence@tiffincityschools.org> wrote:

Mr. Comer,

Thanks again for calling to inquire about your public records request. I will be responding to your request as soon as possible.

Thank you for your interest in Tiffin City School District.

**Best,
Anne**

On Mon, Oct 27, 2025 at 6:23 PM Keith Comer <keithc@respectpublicschools.com> wrote:
Doing a follow-up on this. Please confirm you have received this email.

Thank you,

Keith

On Mon, Oct 13, 2025 at 12:01 PM Keith Comer <keithc@respectpublicschools.com> wrote:

Please acknowledge your receipt of my request for the following information.

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I request the following information.

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3. Please provide the letter of acknowledgment that Lifewise Academy requests all school districts send to them before Lifewise Academy starts operations in the school district.

4. Please provide the record that a criminal background check was done for each Lifewise Academy employees or volunteers in accordance with Tiffin City Schools Board Policy JEFB. Please redact any private information. This is to validate the BCI check was completed for each required individual.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

To the extent that responsive documents are unavailable in electronic format, please indicate the location where the records can be picked up.

If there is a cost related to production, please advise me before incurring that cost. If there are any questions relating to this request, please contact me at 567-230-2461

Thank you in advance for your time.

Keith Comer
131 East Township Road 143
Tiffin, OH 44883
567-230-2461
<https://respectpublicschools.com/>

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Anne E. Spence
Treasurer

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From: Boes, Robert [robert_boes@tiffincityschools.org]
on behalf of Boes, Robert <robert_boes@tiffincityschools.org> [robert_boes@tiffincityschools.org]
Sent: 11/20/2025 8:44:39 AM
To: Spence, Anne [anne_spence@tiffincityschools.org]
Subject: Re: Public Records Request

I have no knowledge of any Lifewise Academy. But will double check my emails.

Thanks!
Have a GREAT day!

Bob

Robert F. Boes
Tiffin City Schools



On Thu, Nov 20, 2025, 8:23 AM Spence, Anne <anne_spence@tiffincityschools.org> wrote:

Hi Bob.

Can you please help me fulfill this public records request?

Thanks,
Anne

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From: **Spence, Anne** <anne_spence@tiffincityschools.org>
Date: Thu, Nov 13, 2025 at 9:03 AM
Subject: Fwd: Public Records Request
To: Gerald Nadeau <jerry_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org>

Good morning Jerry.

I am not sure why, but Mr. Comer's public records request was in my SPAM folder and I am guessing that it is in your spam folder as well. Can you please help me collect this information so I can get it to Dane for review?

Thanks,
Anne

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From: **Keith Comer** <keithc@respectpublicschools.com>
Date: Mon, Oct 27, 2025 at 6:23 PM

Subject: Re: Public Records Request

To: <anne_spence@tiffincityschools.org>, <jerry_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org>

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Thank you,

Keith

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Message

From: Boes, Robert [robert_boes@tiffincityschools.org]
on behalf of Boes, Robert <robert_boes@tiffincityschools.org> [robert_boes@tiffincityschools.org]
Sent: 11/24/2025 7:31:50 AM
To: Nadeau, Gerald [gerald_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org]
Subject: Re: LifeWise permission forms for your review

Thank you boss man!

Thanks!
Have a GREAT day!

Bob

Robert F. Boes
Tiffin City Schools



On Mon, Nov 24, 2025 at 7:11 AM Nadeau, Gerald <gerald_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org> wrote:
Let me look at this. S I'll mething stands out to me, but I cannot remember

Thank you,
Jerry

Jerry Nadeau
Superintendent
Tiffin City Schools
244 S. Monroe Street
Tiffin, Ohio 44883
Office--(419) 447-2515
Cell--(330) 714-2821



On Mon, Nov 24, 2025, 7:08 AM Boes, Robert <robert_boes@tiffincityschools.org> wrote:
Thoughts about this boss?

Thanks!
Have a GREAT day!

Bob

Robert F. Boes
Tiffin City Schools



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From: **Wise, Michelle** <michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org>
Date: Fri, Nov 21, 2025 at 10:46 AM
Subject: Fwd: LifeWise permission forms for your review
To: Robert Boes <bob_boes@tiffincityschools.org>

Michelle Wise
Principal
Krout Elementary School



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From: **Meghan Sandrock** <[REDACTED]>
Date: Mon, Nov 10, 2025 at 12:14 PM
Subject: Re: LifeWise permission forms for your review
To: Wise, Michelle <michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org>

Thanks, Michelle! I am waiting to hear back from Mr. Nadeau.

And yes, based off of the schedule you provided, it looks like Tuesday December 2nd would be the tentative start date.

If i'm reading the schedule correctly, classes would be:

Tuesdays:

9:45am-10:30

10:30am-11:15

11:20-12:05pm

Wednesdays:

10:30-11:15

Thursdays:

9:45am-10:30

10:30am-11:15

11:20-12:05pm

If I'm reading this wrong, please let me know.

I also have some logistical questions to send your way, but I'll make that a separate email.



Meghan Sandrock

Program Director - Tiffin
954.815.1258

lifewise.org

On Fri, Nov 7, 2025 at 4:36 PM Wise, Michelle <michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org> wrote:

Hi Meghan,

Your questions will need to be directed to Mr. Nadeau. I'm not certain of the exact process, but I do know that anything sent from the school must first be approved by the administration at the Board Office before reaching us. He'll be able to walk you through the steps.

Also, do you have a start date yet? I know you mentioned it before, but I can't seem to find it now—getting old has its challenges! :)

Have a great weekend!

Michelle Wise
Principal
Krout Elementary School



On Fri, Nov 7, 2025 at 1:28 PM Meghan Sandrock <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Hi Michelle,

Just a heads up, I'm going to be handling school relations as Phil has limited availability right now due to personal circumstances. I have attached the permission forms for LifeWise classes for your review. I also sent these to Jerry.

Could you please let me know what the internal process looks like for permission slips? Do we need to print these off and get them to the school? And if so, where would you like them dropped off? After permission forms are turned in to the school, what is the process for getting these to LifeWise?

Thank you for your assistance!



Meghan Sandrock

Program Director - Tiffin
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Message

From: Meghan Sandrock [REDACTED]
on behalf of Meghan Sandrock <[REDACTED]>
Sent: 11/24/2025 2:48:15 PM
To: Wise, Michelle [michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org]
Subject: Launch update

Hi Michelle,

Thinking of you, your staff, and students and praying you all are doing okay. I have an update on the launch and some follow up questions for you.

I haven't heard back from Mr. Nadeau yet on how he would like us to proceed with getting the permission forms to parents at Krout, so we will need to push our launch date. Is there a possibility of beginning in January? Or would you prefer we start at the beginning of a 12-week term? What would be the next start date for the following 12-week term and is it likely the schedule will be similar?

Now that we have secured transportation, I don't foresee needing to push the start date again. I really appreciate your patience with us as we navigate obstacles!

Thank you,



Meghan Sandrock

Program Director - Tiffin
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Message

From: Nadeau, Gerald [gerald_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org]
on behalf of Nadeau, Gerald <gerald_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org> [gerald_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org]
Sent: 11/25/2025 1:11:19 PM
To: Robert Boes [bob_boes@tiffincityschools.org]
Subject: Fwd: Updated Guidance for Released Time Religious Instruction
Attachments: Release Time 2025 Mass Mailing - OH.pdf

Bobby!

Thank you,
Jerry

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From: Ryan Dudley <rdudley@ffrf.org>
Date: Tue, Nov 25, 2025, 11:48 AM
Subject: Updated Guidance for Released Time Religious Instruction
To: Jerry Nadeau <jerry_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org>

Hello,

Please see the attached pdf regarding recent changes in Ohio's laws about religious released time programs. As the law has changed since the last time we wrote, we are addressing the new guidelines and recommendations regarding "Released Time for Religious Instruction" (RTRI) classes.

Please feel free to reach out with any questions.

Ryan Dudley
State Policy Manager
Freedom From Religion Foundation
PO Box 750
Madison WI 53701
(608) 256-8900

FREEDOM FROM RELIGION *foundation*

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November 25, 2025

Re: Guidance on religious release time and religious clubs in public schools

Dear Superintendent:

We are writing on behalf of the Freedom From Religion Foundation (FFRF) to provide guidance about religious clubs in public schools and the recent changes in Ohio's laws about religious released time programs. FFRF is a national nonprofit organization with over 41,000 members across the country, including over 1,100 members and local chapters in Ohio. Our purposes are to protect the constitutional principle of separation between state and church, and to educate the public on matters relating to nontheism.

The law has changed since we last wrote to provide guidance in 2023. Unfortunately, Ohio law now requires school boards to adopt a policy authorizing students to be excused during the school day for "Released Time for Religious Instruction" (RTRI) classes.¹ RTRI classes are religious instruction classes led by outside adults at an off-campus location, during the school day. While RTRI programs are becoming more pervasive, they are just one of many strategies outside adults use to try to proselytize public school students. We write to you now to emphasize the importance of limiting the scope of RTRI programs within the requirements of the new law as well as to provide guidance on how schools can better protect students' rights to a secular public education in the face of this multi-pronged assault.

First, this letter addresses RTRI programs and recommends school boards adopt policies that limit what courses students can be excused from for RTRI so their secular education is minimally interrupted. Then, it discusses the legal restrictions on adult involvement with student religious clubs and reminds that these clubs must be entirely student-led and student-run. Finally, it explains that districts must apply their rental policies neutrally to all, including religious clubs.

Best practices to limit Religious Released Time Instruction programs

It is best practice for public school districts to make an effort to limit RTRI. Released time programs can lead to negative consequences for students who do not participate. These programs often create uncomfortable distinctions between students, as it is obvious which students leave school to attend the program and which stay behind. In communities where a significant portion or majority of students participate in RTRI, the students who do not join are inevitably singled out in the eyes of their peers. RTRI programs often encourage students to proselytize their peers in an attempt to persuade non-attending students to join the program. The Secular Education Association (SEA) has compiled [testimonials from parents showing](#)² how RTRI programs can easily lead to bullying.

Further, RTRI classes pose practical concerns for school districts. Since these programs take place during school hours, students may miss valuable educational time by attending, and teachers are forced to account for a portion of their students being routinely absent from class each week.

¹ Ohio Rev. Code Ann. § 3313.6022 (B).

² Personal Experiences & Testimonials, <https://seculareducationassociation.org/experiences/>

Additionally, Ohio law states that students who attend these classes are responsible for completing any missed work;³ however, many RTRI programs assume students will be excused from completing any school work they miss while attending. This disrupts the school day and has significant potential to negatively impact a district's legitimate academic goals. Given that most RTRI programs are designed to take years to complete, this means students miss a significant amount of regular course time by the end of the program.

School districts can limit these programs and their repercussions in various ways. While school boards must find times that work for these programs during the school day, the law says that no students may be released from core curriculum subject courses to attend RTRI classes.⁴ This means school boards can adopt policies to ensure students attend their critical academic courses. The policy could define any class that culminates with a grade as a core curriculum subject course for the meaning of the RTRI policy, thus preventing students from missing any important classwork for RTRI. Students would still be able to attend RTRI programs during school times that do not culminate in a grade, such as a study hall or lunch, keeping such a policy in compliance with the law. SEA has an [example](#)⁵ policy as a starting point for school boards. School districts also must ensure not to promote, assist, or encourage attendance at RTRI programs. Such promotion or encouragement violates the Constitution because it shows favoritism toward religion and potentially coerces students to attend.

Federal law limits faculty and outside adult involvement in student religious clubs

Many RTRI sponsors try to equate the rules for RTRI with those for religious student-led clubs. There are different laws that govern student clubs which are not applicable to RTRI. The Equal Access Act (EAA) outlines the limited involvement that public schools may allow adults to have in student religious clubs. The EAA applies only to secondary schools—grades nine through twelve in Ohio. In secondary schools, the EAA requires that “employees or agents of the school or government are present at religious meetings only in a nonparticipatory capacity.”⁶ Students in secondary schools may organize religious clubs but these must be entirely student-initiated and student-led and do not take place during instructional time. Public school employees may not legally participate in, organize, lead, or direct a religious student club’s activities.⁷ Districts should ensure that staff advisors for student religious clubs are total non-participants; they should not be selecting student officers, directing club activities, praying with students, or participating in any other way.

As for Ohio schools serving Kindergarten through eighth graders, the EAA does not apply. Primary school students are too young to truly run a club entirely on their own initiative with no input from school staff or outside adults. The Establishment Clause prohibits school employees from organizing or leading a religious club for students and therefore prohibits religious clubs in primary schools. Likewise, a public school cannot legally allow outside adults to run a religious club for children at a primary school.

Public schools cannot favor religious clubs’ third-party rentals

School property rental policies are also not applicable to RTRI as RTRI must be held completely off-campus. Instead, these third-party rentals are subject to different restrictions. Public schools must

³ Ohio Rev. Code Ann. § 3313.6022 (B)(6).

⁴ Ohio Rev. Code Ann. § 3313.6022(B)(6).

⁵ SEA Example RTRI Policy, <https://bit.ly/49ztV2L>.

⁶ 20 U.S.C. § 4071(c)(2).

⁷ See 20 U.S.C. §§ 4071(c)(3) and (5).

remain neutral between religions, and between religion and nonreligion.⁸ This principle extends to public school districts' facility rental and advertising policies. While public schools may rent out facilities to third parties and permit them to advertise on school property according to neutral guidelines, a school may not favor religious organizations by giving them preferential treatment.⁹ Because groups like the Good News Club try to give young students the impression that their club is school-sponsored, we recommend a policy prohibiting rentals from being held directly before or after school.

Districts should be vigilant in dealing with the various religious organizations trying to push their personal religious beliefs onto students. Students have a right to a secular public education, and districts must protect those rights.

Thank you for your time and considering this guidance. If you have any questions or if FFRF can help the District to implement these policies, please feel free to contact us.

Sincerely,



Samantha F. Lawrence
Staff Attorney
Freedom From Religion Foundation



Charlotte R. Gude
Patrick O'Reiley Legal Fellow
Freedom From Religion Foundation

⁸ See generally *Santa Fe Indep. Sch. Dist. v. Doe*, 530 U.S. 290 (2000); *Lee v. Weisman*, 505 U.S. 577 (1992); *Wallace v. Jaffree*, 472 U.S. 38 (1985); *Epperson v. Arkansas*, 393 U.S. 97 (1967); *Sch. Dist. of Abington Twp. v. Schempp*, 374 U.S. 203 (1963); *Engel v. Vitale*, 370 U.S. 421 (1962); *McCollum v Bd. of Ed.*, 333 U.S. 203 (1948).

⁹ See generally *Good News Club v. Milford Central School*, 533 U.S. 98 (2001).

Message

From: Wise, Michelle [michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org]
on behalf of Wise, Michelle <michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org> [michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org]
Sent: 12/1/2025 10:43:45 AM
To: Courtnie Williams [courtnie_williams@tiffincityschools.org]; Shannon Eisenhower [shannon_eisenhower@tiffincityschools.org]
Subject: Fwd: Follow up on permission forms

FYL...

Michelle Wise
Principal
Krout Elementary School



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From: Boes, Robert <robert_boes@tiffincityschools.org>
Date: Fri, Nov 28, 2025 at 1:17 PM
Subject: Fwd: Follow up on permission forms
To: Michelle Wise <michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org>

FYI...

Thanks!
Have a GREAT day!

Bob

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Tiffin City Schools



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From: Nadeau, Gerald <gerald_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org>
Date: Fri, Nov 28, 2025, 10:48 AM
Subject: Re: Follow up on permission forms
To: Meghan Sandrock <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Abigail Young <abigail_young@tiffincityschools.org>, Robert Boes <bob_boes@tiffincityschools.org>

Good morning,

Unfortunately, legal counsel has advised against fulfilling your request.

Thank you,
Jerry

Jerry Nadeau
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[Tiffin, Ohio 44883](#)
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From: **Meghan Sandrock** <[REDACTED]>
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To: Nadeau, Gerald <gerald_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org>

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Message

From: Wise, Michelle [michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org]
on behalf of Wise, Michelle <michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org> [michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org]
Sent: 12/3/2025 9:46:54 AM
To: Focht, Kate [kate_focht@tiffincityschools.org]
CC: Theresa Stover [theresa_stover@tiffincityschools.org]
Subject: Re: Typing in library

DITTO -- Theresa, you are AMAZING! This is much bigger than typing.

Michelle Wise
Principal
Krout Elementary School



On Wed, Dec 3, 2025 at 9:11 AM Focht, Kate <kate_focht@tiffincityschools.org> wrote:
Hi Ladies,

I replied to the other email, but Michelle, that is what we found for various reasons at Copley, too. Let's talk more.

Theresa, you do so much. This is not about what you do or don't do. Please know that you are doing an amazing job with little to no support or direction. I am hopeful that this conversation will provide you with support, resources, and teacher partnership so that this does not continue to fall on your shoulders.

Kate

On Wed, Dec 3, 2025 at 6:57 AM Wise, Michelle <michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org> wrote:

That would be great! I'm hoping that with two library times, we can dedicate one specifically to building computer skills. I would also love to see the program you're currently using with students. From what I've observed—and through conversations with teachers—it seems that what we have in place right now isn't providing enough direct instruction for students to transfer those skills outside of library time.

If we need to consider restructuring how this time is used, I think that would be beneficial. Our students are at a real disadvantage without a technology class in their special rotation. Given the world our students are growing up in, not receiving intentional technology instruction is, in my opinion, a disservice to them.

I would love for the three of us to sit down and discuss this. I was hoping Mike would be able to jump in the conversation and give some insight into what Noble uses. If it is a strong program, we could possibly use that too. Again, if this is not appropriate to use during library time, I think Kate (sorry -- but I believe you feel the same way with our lack of technology preparation in our younger grades) and I will need to pursue a plan on how to incorporate technology into another part of the students special rotation. I appreciate your willingness to look at this with us.

Michelle Wise
Principal
Krout Elementary School



On Tue, Dec 2, 2025 at 3:02 PM Theresa Stover <theresa_stover@tiffincityschools.org> wrote:

Good snowy afternoon!

I read and responded to your email about the typing program in library. I would really like to have had the opportunity to discuss this with you personally first, maybe there have been some misconceptions about what I actually do with this program? Even before Lifewise and the 2 library classes, I was scheduling typing every other week as part of their library class. I've been doing this for several years now, not because I was required to, but realizing that 3rd graders were needing skills to manage the state test. I would have rather been doing book studies, author research and extended library book activities, but the need has been evident for some time. I also realize I am not certified as a teacher but have done my best to try to help the third graders be more successful when it comes to that time of taking that test. If you believe there is a need for me to be included in the third graders meetings concerning keyboarding, I would gladly be a part of that if it can be worked out. Thanks!

Sent from my iPhone

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Thank you,



A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kate Focht".

Kate Focht, MLIS
Tiffin City Schools
District Library-Media Specialist &
Coordinator of Technology Practices and Continuous Improvement
Assistant Varsity Softball Coach
National Honor Society Advisor

In the event of a mental health emergency:
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Text: Crisis Text Line (HOME to 741741)

Message

From: Keith Comer [keithc@respectpublicschools.com]
on behalf of Keith Comer <keithc@respectpublicschools.com> [keithc@respectpublicschools.com]
Sent: 12/10/2025 2:31:17 PM
To: Spence, Anne [anne_spence@tiffincityschools.org]
Subject: Re: Public Records Request

Thank you for the update. I appreciate it.

Keith

On Wed, Dec 10, 2025 at 2:30 PM Spence, Anne <anne_spence@tiffincityschools.org> wrote:
Mr. Comer.

I wanted to give you an update on your public records request. I did receive documents from our IT department yesterday and I forwarded them to our legal counsel for review. I anticipate a return response by next week at the latest, but I will send the documents as soon as I receive them.

Best,
Anne

On Mon, Oct 27, 2025 at 6:23 PM Keith Comer <keithc@respectpublicschools.com> wrote:
Doing a follow-up on this. Please confirm you have received this email.

Thank you,

Keith

On Mon, Oct 13, 2025 at 12:01 PM Keith Comer <keithc@respectpublicschools.com> wrote:

Please acknowledge your receipt of my request for the following information.

For this request, Lifewise Academy is understood to mean Lifewise Academy Corporate or Lifewise Academy Tiffin, OH program.

I request the following information.

1. Any informational packets or materials Lifewise Academy has given to the school district. Including but not limited to a superintendent packet, community interest list, scheduling examples, and other promotional materials.
2. All emails, text messages, and postal mail between Lifewise Academy employees, volunteers, and representatives. All emails, text messages, and postal mail between Tiffin City Schools employees, contractors, board of education, and personnel where Lifewise Academy or RTRI is the subject matter. From January 1, 2025, to October 13, 2025. Lifewise Academy email domain names can be any of the following. @lifewise.org and @lifewiseacademy.org. This is not an exhaustive list and is only provided for assistance. Any communications with subject matter pertaining to Lifewise Academy or RTRI operations, scheduling, release of students, promotional materials, and all other items not mentioned should be included.
3. Please provide the letter of acknowledgment that Lifewise Academy requests all school districts send to them before Lifewise Academy starts operations in the school district.

4. Please provide the record that a criminal background check was done for each Lifewise Academy employees or volunteers in accordance with Tiffin City Schools Board Policy JEFB. Please redact any private information. This is to validate the BCI check was completed for each required individual.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

To the extent that responsive documents are unavailable in electronic format, please indicate the location where the records can be picked up.

If there is a cost related to production, please advise me before incurring that cost. If there are any questions relating to this request, please contact me at 567-230-2461

Thank you in advance for your time.

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on behalf of Meghan Sandrock [REDACTED]
Sent: 12/10/2025 4:13:39 PM
To: Nadeau, Gerald [gerald_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org]; bob.boes@tiffincityschools.org;
abigail_young@tiffincityschools.org
Subject: Re: Follow up on permission forms

Good afternoon,

Thank you for your response and for taking the time to review our request. I was hoping to gain a little clarity so we can better understand the process moving forward. Could you help me understand why the WRE (Weekly Religious Education) permission forms were approved for distribution at Krout, while the LifeWise forms were not approved by legal counsel?

I want to be sure we're aligning with all district expectations and procedures, so any insight you can provide would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you again for your time and guidance.



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on behalf of Wise, Michelle <michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org> [michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org]
Sent: 12/11/2025 8:44:32 AM
To: Meghan Sandrock [REDACTED]
CC: Robert Boes [bob_boes@tiffincityschools.org]
Subject: Re: Launch update

Hi Meghan,

I believe having LifeWise during lunch/recess will be extremely challenging. Our grade levels do not eat at the same time due to the space constraints of our lunchroom. We have students going to lunch every 10-20 minutes from 11:25-12:35. If you have direct questions on the schedule, please let me know.

1. Could you send me what that lunch/recess looks like for both 2nd and 3rd grade? Does 2nd and 3rd grade have this period together or separately?

Lunch Schedule		Recess	
11:25-11:45	Jones, Hepp, Burkes (2nd)	11:45-12:05	Jones, Hepp, Burkes (2nd)
11:35-11:55	M. Wise, Downie (2nd)	11:55-12:15	M. Wise, Downie (2nd)
11:55-12:15	Cimo, Hull, Shook (2nd)	12:15-12:35	Cimo, Hull, Shook (2nd)
12:05-12:25	Newlove, Hicks, Clason (3rd)	12:25-12:45	Newlove, Hicks, Clason (3rd)
12:25-12:45	Massi, McLellan, Welter (3rd)	12:45-1:05	Massi, McLellan, Welter (3rd)
12:35-12:55	K. Wise, Hoover (3rd)	12:55-1:15	K. Wise, Hoover (3rd)

2. Do 3rd graders have two library times all year? Or just for a certain term?

I created the second 12 week term specifically for third grade to have two library times based on the start date of LifeWise. I can continue this for the third 12 week term.

3. Do the 2nd graders have two library times as well? If we opened up the time for 2nd graders, would they be in the library at the same time?

I only have one 2nd grade class with two library times. My focus was on 3rd grade since that is where I thought we were starting with the LifeWise program.

Michelle Wise
Principal
Krout Elementary School



On Wed, Dec 10, 2025 at 4:06 PM Meghan Sandrock <[REDACTED]> wrote:
Hi Michelle!

I hope this email finds you well as the busyness of the Christmas season is upon us! In regards to our last email, the leadership team would like to explore some other options as we prepare to launch in 2026. While we really appreciate and respect the offer of having LifeWise classes during library time, financially and programatically it might make more sense for us to pursue the lunch/recess option. But before moving forward on that, I would like to get some clarification on the schedule.

- 1). Could you send me what that lunch/recess looks like for both 2nd and 3rd grade? Does 2nd and 3rd grade have this period together or separately?
- 2). Do 3rd graders have two library times all year? Or just for a certain term?
- 3). Do the 2nd graders have two library times as well? If we opened up the time for 2nd graders, would they be in library at the same time?

Thank you for all your help!



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On Tue, Nov 25, 2025 at 7:13 AM Wise, Michelle <michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org> wrote:
Hello,

Thank you for thinking of us. This has been a tough month for Tiffin.

I sent your request to Mr. Boes on Friday since Mr. Nadeau isn't in the district. I am waiting to hear back from him. I asked him to email us both when he has an answer. Feel free to reach out to him, if needed.

I'm comfortable starting either in January or with the third 12-week rotation in March. I'll leave that decision up to you—just let me know what works best.

I was able to schedule two library times for all third-grade classes (with one exception), so even if a student participates in LifeWise, they will still have a regular library day. The classes highlighted in red are the ones that would attend LifeWise on those dates. Let me know what you decide.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
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8:00-8:30	Morning Duty - Library				
8:30-8:55	Plan	Plan	Plan	Plan	Plan
8:55-9:40	Burkes	Cimo	Hull	Shook	Plan
9:45-10:30	Massi	Massi	McLellan	McLellan	Plan
10:30-11:15	Hicks	Hicks	Welter	Newlove	Newlove
11:20-12:05	Hoover	K. Wise	Plan	Hoover	K. Wise
12:05-12:45	Lunch/Recess Duty				
12:45-1:20	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
1:20-2:05	Jones	Hepp	Jones	Hepp	AA
2:10-2:55	Downie	M. Wise	Burkes	Plan	AA
3:00-3:30	Bus Duty				

Michelle Wise
Principal
Krout Elementary School



On Mon, Nov 24, 2025 at 2:48 PM Meghan Sandrock <[REDACTED]> wrote:
Hi Michelle,

Thinking of you, your staff, and students and praying you all are doing okay. I have an update on the launch and some follow up questions for you.

I haven't heard back from Mr. Nadeau yet on how he would like us to proceed with getting the permission forms to parents at Krout, so we will need to push our launch date. Is there a possibility of beginning in January? Or would you prefer we start at the beginning of a 12-week term? What would be the next start date for the following 12-week term and is it likely the schedule will be similar?

Now that we have secured transportation, I don't foresee needing to push the start date again. I really appreciate your patience with us as we navigate obstacles!

Thank you,



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2025 - 2026 WRE Student Information Form

My child, _____ Birthday _____

has my permission to attend Weekday Religious Education (WRE) Club each week.

School _____ Teacher _____ Grade _____

Parent/Guardian _____

Address _____ Phone _____

Church Affiliation (if any) _____

Health problems we need to be aware of: Yes _____ (describe on back) No _____

My child will be () walking home () picked up after club

Names and phone numbers of persons authorized to pick child up:

Emergency contact(s) _____ Phone _____

_____ Phone _____

In the event of an emergency, if I cannot be contacted, I authorize treatment of my child.

Check one: I do _____ I do not _____ give permission to WRE to include my child in any classroom pictures taken which may be used as part of a display at future WRE events.

Parent/Guardian: _____ / _____
Signature Print

▲ **Return upper portion to your WRE Teacher** ▲

If there are any changes with the information you've provided above, such as your phone number, contacts, addresses, please notify us.

Please be prompt in picking up your child at the dismissal time of the WRE Club

Dismissal Times: Washington School 4:15pm (dismissed at Cherry St. side door)
Krout School 4:30pm (dismissed at the front door)
Noble School 4:30pm (dismissed at the back door)
Tiffin Middle School 3:30pm (dismissed at the front door)

Questions: Contact WRE Teacher Coordinator Michelle Craig at 419-618-1877

W.R.E. Kid's Club

Beginning after school on September 29, 2025

In the Little Schools since 1940

Music Snacks Crafts Bible Lessons

Kroon School: 3rd Graders W.R.E. Classes start in the school Monday, 9-29-25

from 3:15pm until 4:30pm. Classes first meet in Room 125

(Mrs. Arnold's room) then will move into the Art Room.

Children may begin attending at any time.

Please bring this form to your first W. R. E. Class. *Your child will need to be picked up after class*

My child,

_____ is my

_____ in Grade _____

_____ has my permission to attend Weekday Religious Education (W.R.E.) Kid's Club each week.

Parent/Guardian:

Signature

Print

Address

Phone

For additional information or questions contact Michelle Craig at 419-608-1877

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Please bring this form to your first W. R. E. Class. *Your child will need to be picked up after class*

My child, _____, in Grade _____ has my
permission to attend Weekday Religious Education (W.R.E.), Kid's Club each week.

Parent/Guardian: _____

Signature

Print

Address _____

Phone: _____

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Message

From: Keith Comer [keithc@respectpublicschools.com]
on behalf of Keith Comer <keithc@respectpublicschools.com> [keithc@respectpublicschools.com]
Sent: 12/17/2025 1:37:13 PM
To: Spence, Anne [anne_spence@tiffincityschools.org]
Subject: Re: Public Records Request - Lifewise

Thank you for the update

Have a great holiday.

Keith

On Wed, Dec 17, 2025 at 1:31 PM Spence, Anne <anne_spence@tiffincityschools.org> wrote:
Mr. Comer,

I just wanted to provide another update on your request. I emailed legal today to see if we were close to being able to complete your request. Unfortunately, due to the volume of documents that fit within the parameters of your request, they need additional processing time. I will provide your complete records request as soon as possible.

Best,
Anne

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From: Meghan Sandrock [REDACTED]
on behalf of Meghan Sandrock <[REDACTED]>
Sent: 1/17/2025 12:50:11 PM
To: jerry_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org
Subject: Lifewise Academy
Attachments: Released Time Religious Instruction Law in Ohio.pdf; School Officials FAQ.pdf

Hello Superintendent Nadeau,

Previously, the LifeWise Academy Steering Committee reached out to establish a released time religious instruction program in our district. We hope that during our time together we conveyed our appreciation for your ongoing dedication to the well-being and education of students.

Our goal continues to be to come alongside you as a supportive ally in the fight for mental health and character development through a Bible-based character education program. As we shared in our presentation, school districts with a LifeWise program have shown an increase in student attendance and improved behavior.

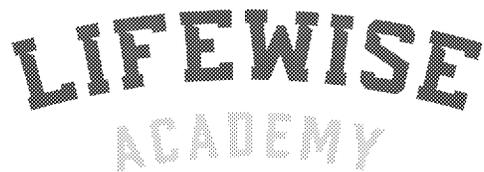
As you may know, there has been a recent update to state legislation that impacts our school district. Ohio's House Bill 8 successfully moved through the Ohio House and Senate, receiving approval with Governor DeWine's signature. This law allows parents the opportunity to have their students released during the school day to attend religious instruction. It also states that the school "shall collaborate with a sponsoring entity of a released time course in religious instruction to identify a time to offer the course during the school day." [Released Time Religious Instruction Law in Ohio](#) provides a thorough overview of the new law and how the LifeWise program meets or exceeds the standards set forth in it.

Our goal as the LifeWise Steering Committee is to work collaboratively with the school administration to move forward in offering released time religious instruction to students in our district. As a first step, we plan to move forward with hiring our team. The director of that team will serve as the point of contact who will collaborate with the school to arrange LifeWise classes with the school schedule. Will you let us know who the director can contact to set up a meeting regarding scheduling efforts?

You can find answers to common questions about LifeWise by reading through the [School Officials FAQ](#) and lifewise.org/educators. Check out the impact LifeWise has had on school districts at lifewise.org/impact. We look forward to hearing from you!

Sincerely,

Meghan Sandrock



RELEASED TIME RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION LAW IN OHIO

What Is Released Time?

Released Time for Religious Instruction allows students to leave school during designated periods for religious instruction, conducted off school property by a private entity. Released time is governed by Ohio law ([ORC 3313.6022](#)) and has been upheld by the [U.S. Supreme Court](#) as constitutional.

Are Schools Required to Offer Released Time?

Yes, Ohio school districts are required to adopt a policy authorizing released time, in accordance with recent legislation changes in late 2024.

What Role Does School Administration Have in Released Time?

- **Policy:** The Board of Education must adopt a policy that aligns with the ORC ([sample policy](#)).
- **Collaboration:** Superintendents and/or building principals collaborate with sponsoring entities to develop a schedule for released time. Ohio law states, "A school district board of education shall collaborate with a sponsoring entity of a released time course in religious instruction to identify a time to offer the course during the school day."

What Role Does School Staff Have in Released Time?

- **Daily Operations:** Public school personnel should not manage or implement released time programs.
- **Consent Forms:** Collecting and distributing consent forms is generally allowed, as long as it doesn't breach the Establishment Clause. ([Opinion 2019-015, pp. 7-8](#))
- **Publicity in Schools:** A [2019 OAG opinion](#) addressed how these programs may be publicized in public schools. Entities may provide information about released time programs if they follow the same guidelines as other non-school-sponsored activities.
- **Student Invitations:** Students may invite peers to join released time unless it disrupts school activities or others' rights.

What Is LifeWise Academy?

LifeWise Academy is a released time sponsoring entity that comes alongside administrators and teachers as a supportive ally in the fight for better character development, mental health and academic achievement. LifeWise exists to positively impact students, schools and communities through a Bible-based character education program during school hours.

Does LifeWise Academy Meet the Requirement of the Ohio Revised Code?

Yes, LifeWise Academy programs meet the requirements of ORC 3313.6022 as follows:

- (B)(1) The student's parent or guardian gives written consent.
 - *LifeWise Academy only serves students whose parents have signed a permission form*

- (B)(2) The sponsoring entity maintains attendance records and makes them available to the school district the student attends.
 - *LifeWise programs provide attendance records to the public school upon request*
- (B)(3) Transportation to and from the place of instruction, including transportation for students with disabilities, is the complete responsibility of the sponsoring entity, parent, guardian, or student.
 - *LifeWise programs provide transportation to and from the school. All drivers have appropriate licenses and all vehicles are insured.*
- (B)(4) The sponsoring entity makes provisions for and assumes liability for the student.
 - *LifeWise Academy assumes liability for all students from the time they are released from school to the time they return.*
- (B)(5) No public funds are expended and no public school personnel are involved in providing the religious instruction.
 - *LifeWise programs are fully funded by private donations and staffed by team members who are not employed by the public school*
- (B)(6) The student assumes responsibility for any missed schoolwork. While in attendance in a released time course in religious instruction, a student shall not be considered absent from school. No student may be released from a core curriculum subject course to attend a religious instruction course.
 - *LifeWise students assume responsibility for any missed schoolwork*
- (C) A school district board of education shall collaborate with a sponsoring entity of a released time course in religious instruction to identify a time to offer the course during the school day.
 - *LifeWise programs coordinate with the school to establish a schedule that aligns best with the school's class schedule*
- (D) A policy adopted may authorize high school students to earn up to two units of high school credit for the completion of a released time course in religious instruction.
 - *LifeWise high school programs:*
 - *Communicate the number of hours of classroom instruction time*
 - *Provide the high school course syllabus*
 - *Communicate the methods of assessment used in the high school course*
 - *Provide the school with each high school teacher's qualifications*
- (E) A school district, member of a school district board of education, or school district employee is not liable in damages in a civil action for injury allegedly arising during a student's transportation to or from a place of instruction when private transportation is used under a released time policy adopted under this section.
 - *LifeWise Academy assumes liability for all students from the time they are released from school to the time they return*
- ORC 3313.6030 – A school district board of education may include in its policy adopted under section 3313.6022 of the Revised Code a requirement for a criminal records check of any instructors or volunteers of a private sponsoring entity providing a released time course in religious instruction to the board's students under that policy. The school district board of education shall determine the manner in which criminal records checks of instructors and volunteers of the private entity are conducted.
 - *Pursuant to ORC 3313.6030, it is the policy of LifeWise, as a minimum requirement for consideration for service, to conduct a thorough background screening of all LifeWise staff,*

leadership board and volunteer team members. Mandatory rechecks are conducted every three years for all team members.

- *LifeWise background screenings include:*
 - *A search in all counties in which the applicant has lived in the past seven years*
 - *A nationwide multi-state search*
 - *The Multi-State Database contains criminal records from multiple sources, including:*
 - *State/County courts*
 - *Department of Corrections records*
 - *FBI Most Wanted Lists*
 - *Terrorist Watch Lists*
 - *Office of Foreign Asset Controls (OFAC)*
 - *Sex Offender registries*
 - *Various government watch lists*
- *LifeWise Academy will cooperate with the school district's background check requirements where applicable.*

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SCHOOL OFFICIALS FAQ

Legality

Q: How is LifeWise legal?

A: SCOTUS precedents and the law state that students may be released from public school during school hours for religious instruction, provided the program is: 1) voluntary with parental permission, 2) off school property, and 3) privately funded. In addition, school officials may not encourage or discourage students from participating in LifeWise.

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

A: 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.

Safety

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

A: 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.

Q: Does LifeWise have protocols for behavioral issues?

A: Yes, LifeWise teachers and volunteers are trained on a four-fold progression policy of *remind*, *relocate*, *remove* and *return* to the school. LifeWise takes great care to communicate clearly with school personnel regarding any behavioral issues.

Q: Who assumes liability for students during LifeWise?

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

Operations

Q: How do parents elect to enroll their child in LifeWise?

A: Parents complete a LifeWise permission slip that is registered with the school office before their child may attend. LifeWise is completely voluntary; parents have the right to withdraw their child at any time for any reason.

Q: Will the attendance of students be reported to the school?

A: Attendance is taken for every LifeWise class. Attendance records are provided to school officials upon request.

Q: Will students who choose to go LifeWise fall behind academically or socially?

A: LifeWise is beneficial academically and socially as students focus on reading comprehension and many interpersonal character qualities. Independent research has shown that students who participate in RTRI programs perform better academically and behaviorally.

Q: Who is responsible for teaching the students? How are they trained, certified and hired?

A: Teachers are vetted and hired by LifeWise. Teaching experience and certifications are considered as part of the hiring process. All teachers are background checked and receive appropriate training.

Facility/Transportation

Q: How will students get to the offsite location? Where will they meet?

A: Students will either walk under the supervision of volunteer chaperones or be driven by bus or van to the offsite location. Facilities may include churches, community centers, dedicated LifeWise buildings or other facilities.

Q: How do you provide transportation for students who might be in a wheelchair or handicap? Is the building where they are meeting handicap accessible?

A: As a religious organization, LifeWise Academy is exempt from ADA guidelines, however, all local programs are encouraged to meet the needs of their community.

Q: How large are the class sizes?

A: LifeWise classes are usually the size of normal school classes, between 10 and 25 students.

Curriculum

Q: What are students taught at LifeWise Academy?

A: LifeWise Academy focuses on the central messages of the Bible and their character education implications. LifeWise focuses on the most foundational themes that speak to the issues common to all people. Every lesson focuses on one character trait (e.g., gratitude, humility, perseverance, etc.).

Schedule

Q: How does LifeWise fit into the school schedule?

A: 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 intervention time. Students will not miss mandatory/core curriculum courses.

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

A: 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.

Q: How does LifeWise compare with before- and after-school programs?

A: LifeWise is complementary to existing before- and after-school programs. The distinctive feature of LifeWise is that it operates during the school day, thereby engaging the students who are least likely to attend before- and after-school programs due to transportation, extracurriculars and other issues.

Message

From: Nadeau, Gerald [gerald_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org]
on behalf of Nadeau, Gerald <gerald_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org> [gerald_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org]
Sent: 1/22/2025 5:18:24 PM
To: Meghan Sandrock [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Lifewise Academy

Good evening Ms. Sandrock,

Please have the director contact me to coordinate efforts and steer collaboration.

Thank you,

Jerry Nadeau
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(419) 447-2515
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On Fri, Jan 17, 2025 at 12:50 PM Meghan Sandrock <[REDACTED]> wrote:
Hello Superintendent Nadeau,

Previously, the LifeWise Academy Steering Committee reached out to establish a released time religious instruction program in our district. We hope that during our time together we conveyed our appreciation for your ongoing dedication to the well-being and education of students.

Our goal continues to be to come alongside you as a supportive ally in the fight for mental health and character development through a Bible-based character education program. As we shared in our presentation, school districts with a LifeWise program have shown an increase in student attendance and improved behavior.

As you may know, there has been a recent update to state legislation that impacts our school district. Ohio's House Bill 8 successfully moved through the Ohio House and Senate, receiving approval with Governor DeWine's signature. This law allows parents the opportunity to have their students released during the school day to attend religious instruction. It also states that the school "shall collaborate with a sponsoring entity of a released time course in religious instruction to identify a time to offer the course during the school day." [Released Time Religious Instruction Law in Ohio](#) provides a thorough overview of the new law and how the LifeWise program meets or exceeds the standards set forth in it.

Our goal as the LifeWise Steering Committee is to work collaboratively with the school administration to move forward in offering released time religious instruction to students in our district. As a first step, we plan to move forward with hiring our team. The director of that team will serve as the point of contact who will collaborate with the school to arrange LifeWise classes with the school schedule. Will you let us know who the director can contact to set up a meeting regarding scheduling efforts?

You can find answers to common questions about LifeWise by reading through the [School Officials FAQ](#) and lifewise.org/educators. Check out the impact LifeWise has had on school districts at lifewise.org/impact. We look forward to hearing from you!

Sincerely,

Meghan Sandrock

Message

From: Young, Abigail [abigail_young@tiffincityschools.org]
on behalf of Young, Abigail <abigail_young@tiffincityschools.org> [abigail_young@tiffincityschools.org]
Sent: 1/30/2025 5:03:22 PM
To: Williams, Dustin [dustin_williams@tiffincityschools.org]
CC: Nadeau, Gerald [gerald_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org]; Gerald Nadeau [jerry_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org]
Subject: Re: time to discuss rtri

Good Evening,

Thank you for your response. February 6th from 9:00-9:30am will work great. A calendar invite will be sent shortly.

Thank you,

Abigail Young

Tiffin City Schools

Executive Secretary to

Jerry Nadeau, Superintendent

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On Thu, Jan 30, 2025 at 4:11 PM Williams, Dustin <dustin_williams@tiffincityschools.org> wrote:
Let's plan for Feb 6 from 9-9:30.

-Dustin

On Mon, Jan 27, 2025 at 9:37 AM Young, Abigail <abigail_young@tiffincityschools.org> wrote:
Good Morning Mr. Williams,

Please see the below availability for Jerry this week and next week.

January 28th - 9:00-10:00am

January 30th - 12:00pm - 2:00pm

February 4th - 2:30pm-3:30pm

February 6th - 9:00am-10:00am

Please let us know if these times do not work for you.

Thank you,

Abigail Young

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On Mon, Jan 27, 2025 at 9:27 AM Nadeau, Gerald <gerald_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org> wrote:
Good morning,

I will ask Abigail to assist in scheduling.

Thank you,

On Mon, Jan 27, 2025 at 9:09 AM Williams, Dustin <dustin_williams@tiffincityschools.org> wrote:
Jerry, I'd like a little of your time to discuss rtri. There seems to be some momentum building in the area, and I'd like to discuss with you some strategy around this. We've not yet had any open board discussion about the topic, but I don't believe we can just wait this out and see if it dies down. How does your schedule look this week?

-Dustin

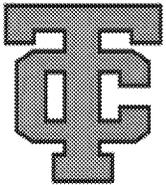
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Dustin Williams
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p: 614-203-6769

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Thank you,
Jerry

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From: Nadeau, Gerald [gerald_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org]
on behalf of Nadeau, Gerald <gerald_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org> [gerald_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org]
Sent: 2/4/2025 12:00:52 PM
To: Williams, Dustin [dustin_williams@tiffincityschools.org]
Subject: Re: Agenda for Thursday

Thank you. I will try to be prepared to discuss each item.

Thank you,

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On Tue, Feb 4, 2025 at 9:19 AM Williams, Dustin <dustin_williams@tiffincityschools.org> wrote:
We've only got 30 minutes on Thursday, so I thought i would provide a preview of what i want to discuss.

- It's been a turbulent 12 months, want to make sure you are doing OK
- idea about the TC3 letter proposed by the athletic dept.
- ideas about RTRI
- the board and opinions vs positions
- [REDACTED] discuss timing of any board changes

See you Thursday,
Dustin

Message

From: Meghan Sandrock [meghansandrock@lifewise.org]
on behalf of Meghan Sandrock <meghansandrock@lifewise.org> [meghansandrock@lifewise.org]
Sent: 5/5/2025 1:05:30 PM
To: Nadeau, Gerald [gerald_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org]
Subject: Re: Can we set up a meeting?

That works! Thank you. I'll see you June 5th!



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On Mon, May 5, 2025 at 9:17 AM Nadeau, Gerald <gerald_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org> wrote:
Good morning,

Would June 5th at 10:00 AM work for you?

Thank you,
Jerry

On Mon, May 5, 2025 at 8:01 AM Meghan Sandrock <meghansandrock@lifewise.org> wrote:

Hello Mr. Nadeau,

You and I have previously spoken in person and via email regarding the possibility of a Lifewise program coming to Tiffin City Schools. I have recently been hired as the Program Director for LifeWise Tiffin City Schools and I look forward to connecting again!

As a refresher, LifeWise Academy is a released time religious instruction program that provides Bible-based character education to public school students during school hours.

Before working with a building Principal, I would love to meet with you briefly to discuss LifeWise and what it could look like in our district. Would you be available to meet the week of June 2nd?

You can find answers to common questions about LifeWise by reading through the [School Officials FAQ](#). See how LifeWise can benefit our community by going to lifewise.org/educators.

I look forward to hearing from you!

Sincerely,

Meghan

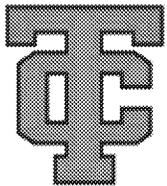


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Thank you,
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Message

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on behalf of Nadeau, Gerald <gerald_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org> [gerald_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org]
Sent: 6/2/2025 8:21:54 AM
To: Anne Spence [anne_spence@tiffincityschools.org]; Robert Boes [bob_boes@tiffincityschools.org]; Michelle Tuite [michelle_tuite@tiffincityschools.org]; Abigail Young [abigail_young@tiffincityschools.org]; Pat Smith [Pat_Smith@tiffincityschools.org]
Subject: Week of June 2, 2025

Good morning,

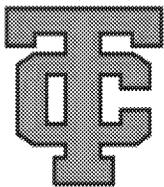
I hope all is well and that you had a great weekend. Please see below for my schedule this week:
Monday--normal day with meetings occurring throughout the day; please see Google calendar for specifics;
Tuesday--Jury Duty, Delaware County; I will be available through the day, when possible; I will work throughout the day and evening to stay caught up on emails;
Wednesday--normal day, please see Google calendar for specifics; TU meeting
Thursday--normal day, please see Google calendar for specifics; Policy Meeting at 8:00 AM, waiting on confirmation from committee members; LifeWise Meeting
Friday--normal day; please see Google calendar for specifics.

Throughout this week, I will be holding individual meetings with members of the administrative team. Feedback will be compiled and provided at a later Team Meeting.

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Thank you,
Jerry

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Message

From: Meghan Sandrock [meghansandrock@lifewise.org]
on behalf of Meghan Sandrock <meghansandrock@lifewise.org> [meghansandrock@lifewise.org]
Sent: 6/16/2025 9:24:39 AM
To: Nadeau, Gerald [gerald_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org]
Subject: LifeWise Meeting Follow Up

Good Morning Gerry,

Thank you again for meeting with our board in regards to launching LifeWise in the Tiffin City school district. We are so appreciative of the kindness that was shown and the willingness to make this a positive experience for the students. We look forward to hearing from you about the logistics of the program at Krout Elementary for this Fall! Please let me know if I can provide any further information that would be helpful as you work to finalize plans on your end.

Excited to serve alongside you this school year!



Meghan Sandrock

Program Director- Tiffin

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Message

From: Wise, Michelle [michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org]
on behalf of Wise, Michelle <michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org> [michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org]
Sent: 7/15/2025 10:50:43 AM
To: Nadeau, Gerald [gerald_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org]
Subject: Re: LifeWise Follow Up

I'm open anytime tomorrow, July 16. Just let me know. Thanks!

Michelle Wise
Principal
Krout Elementary School



On Tue, Jul 15, 2025 at 6:57 AM Nadeau, Gerald <gerald_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org> wrote:
Good morning,

Please send me times that work and we can meet via GoogleMeet.

Thank you,

On Mon, Jul 14, 2025 at 8:33 PM Wise, Michelle <michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org> wrote:

I'm [REDACTED] this week, but can make time to meet. We started this in Kenton, so I have a good idea on how to make this happen from Krout's perspective, but it will make people angry. Can we try to schedule a time to talk about this? I want your perspective prior to talking to anyone from LifeWise. Thanks!

Michelle Wise
Principal
Krout Elementary School



On Mon, Jul 14, 2025 at 2:40 PM Nadeau, Gerald <gerald_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org> wrote:
Good afternoon,

Krout has been selected by LifeWise Academy for a Religious Release Time program for the 2025-26 school year. Please review the questions below and let's schedule some time to further discuss.

Thank you,

----- Forwarded message -----

From: Meghan Sandrock <meghansandrock@lifewise.org>
Date: Mon, Jun 30, 2025 at 1:31 PM

Subject: Re: LifeWise Follow Up
To: Nadeau, Gerald <gerald_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org>

I appreciate you getting back with me, Jerry. I'm so sorry to hear about your mom and I will keep her in my prayers.

I've listed the logistical questions for Krout below. I don't know if these are the exact questions we gave you in the meeting but they're close enough! Thank you so much for assisting with this.

Logistics for Krout Elementary

1. How will the exchange between teachers and LifeWise volunteers take place? For example, do volunteers need to pick up students from the classroom or will the teachers bring them to the exterior doors?
2. If LifeWise volunteers/teachers need to enter the school building to pick up the LifeWise students, what are the sign-in procedures?
3. Will students have the opportunity to use the restroom before attending LifeWise?
4. How will students return to class? Will the classroom teacher meet them at the exterior doors or will volunteers walk them back to the classroom door?
5. Will the school be able to provide students who need free/reduced lunch the ability to take their lunches with them to LifeWise if LifeWise classes are held during the lunch/recess block?
6. What is the protocol for students with IEPs or personal aides? Will aides come to LifeWise class in unique situations?
7. Will LifeWise be given an opportunity to have a booth/table during the school open house?
8. Does the school have assembly, testing and field trip schedules yet?
9. Will the school distribute LifeWise permission forms to all students? Will the school keep additional permission forms available in the school office for students who request them?
10. Will the school allow LifeWise to send materials back to school with students (flyers, supplies, etc.)?
11. Some students have shared parent/guardianship. In these cases, will both guardians be required to sign the permission form?
12. Some students will fill out the registration/permission form online. Would the school like copies of individual registration forms, or just a list of registrants?
13. In case of an emergency, evacuation, weather incident etc. during the LifeWise class time, will LifeWise staff have a direct line to the school office? Will LifeWise be notified of emergency drills ahead of time?
14. Who should LifeWise contact with pertinent information regarding a student (ie: behavior, incidents that require a report, emergencies, etc)?



Meghan Sandrock

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On Mon, Jun 30, 2025 at 12:56 PM Nadeau, Gerald <gerald_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org> wrote:

Hi there,

I apologize for the delay. I have been in and out of the office due to my mom's health. Would you be able to scan the document with questions to me and I will provide a response asap?

Thank you,

On Fri, Jun 27, 2025 at 4:09 PM Meghan Sandrock <meghansandrock@lifewise.org> wrote:

Good Afternoon Gerry,

I hope this message finds you well and that your summer has been enjoyable thus far. I wanted to kindly follow up regarding the LifeWise launch at Krout Elementary this fall. When we last met on June 5th, we were hopeful for some answers to questions regarding logistics. I understand how quickly calendars (and emails) can fill up this time of year.

I truly appreciate your time and attention to this, and I wanted to check in again to see if there might be any updates you're able to share. We're eager to move forward with planning and are more than happy to assist however we can to make implementation as seamless as possible on your end.

Thank you again for your partnership in making this a positive experience all around. I look forward to hearing from you soon!

Warmly,



Meghan Sandrock

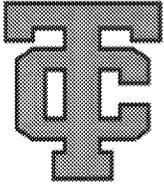
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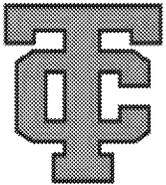
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Jerry

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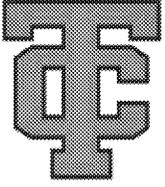


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From: Wise, Michelle [michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org]
on behalf of Wise, Michelle <michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org> [michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org]
Sent: 7/16/2025 8:26:25 AM
To: Gerald Nadeau [jerry_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org]
Subject: LifeWise meeting

Below are the dates and times I am available.

Tuesday, July 22 - 9:30-11:00, 12:30-2:00
Week of July 28 - Any day

Back in office full-time on August 1.

Michelle Wise
Principal
Krout Elementary School



Message

From: Meghan Sandrock [meghansandrock@lifewise.org]
on behalf of Meghan Sandrock <meghansandrock@lifewise.org> [meghansandrock@lifewise.org]
Sent: 7/17/2025 2:28:18 PM
To: Nadeau, Gerald [gerald_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org]
Subject: Re: Meeting

Hi Jerry,

I appreciate you getting back to me in the midst of a tough time. Could Michelle meet on Monday July 28th at 10am?



Meghan Sandrock

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On Wed, Jul 16, 2025 at 12:50 PM Nadeau, Gerald <gerald_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org> wrote:

Good afternoon,

I apologize, due to my mom's health, I am out of the office. I did connect with Michelle Wise, principal at Krout, and following that conversation believe we can get more accomplished if we meet in person. Please see Michelle's availability below. Please let me know what works best for you.

Tuesday, July 22 - 9:30-11:00, 12:30-2:00

Week of July 28 - Any day

Back in office full-time on August 1.

Thank you,

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on behalf of Meghan Sandrock <meghansandrock@lifewise.org> [meghansandrock@lifewise.org]
Sent: 7/17/2025 4:19:30 PM
To: Nadeau, Gerald [gerald_nadeau@tiffincityschoools.org]
Subject: Re: Meeting

Yes sir, that would work!



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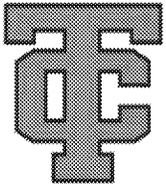
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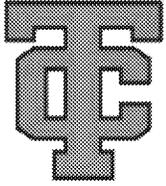
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Sent: 7/17/2025 4:21:14 PM
To: Michelle Wise [michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org]; meghansandroch@lifewise.org
Subject: Invitation: Planning meeting @ Mon Jul 28, 2025 8am - 8:45am (EDT) (Michelle Wise)
Attachments: invite.ics
Start: 7/28/2025 8:00:00 AM
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Show Time As: Busy
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Subject: Updated invitation: Planning meeting @ Mon Jul 28, 2025 8am - 8:45am (EDT) (Michelle Wise)
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Sent: 7/17/2025 4:33:13 PM
To: Nadeau, Gerald [gerald_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org]
Subject: Re: Meeting

See you then!

Thank you,



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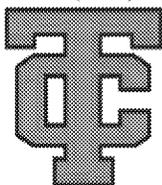
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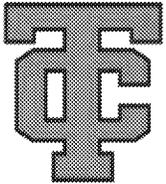


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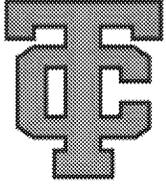
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Sent: 7/28/2025 9:18:57 AM
To: megansandrock@lifewise.org
Subject: PAX information

<https://www.paxis.org/pax-trainings/>

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on behalf of Nadeau, Gerald <gerald_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org> [gerald_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org]
Sent: 7/31/2025 5:12:22 PM
To: Michelle Tuite [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Coming Fall 2025: LifeWise launch of Krout Elementary!!!

Sorry. Did not see that.

Also, I apologize today for away from me. I will be in early tomorrow. Call whenever.

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Looks like it came to my personal email. M
Michelle Tuite

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On Jul 31, 2025, at 16:57, Nadeau, Gerald <gerald_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org> wrote:

Thank you.

I believe we have an obligation to post this, as we would with other initiatives, however, I want to be cautious. How did this get to you? We just met with them and had stated due to the sensitive nature, all communications would go through me.

Let's discuss.

Thank you,

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Begin forwarded message:

From: Tiffin City OH LifeWise <tiffincityoh@lifewise.org>
Date: July 31, 2025 at 14:56:13 EDT
To: Tiffin City OH LifeWise <tiffincityoh@lifewise.org>
Subject: Coming Fall 2025: LifeWise launch of Krout Elementary!!!

Greetings LifeWise friends,

Thank you for your support of LifeWise Academy in Tiffin. We are truly grateful to have you partnering with us as we work to bring Bible education to Tiffin City Schools. Your encouragement and belief in this mission have already made a big difference.

We're excited to share where we are in the process, what we've been working on behind the scenes, and where we're headed as we move closer to launching at Krout Elementary. We'll also outline a few key ways you can continue helping us spread the word and strengthen our efforts.

LifeWise Academy recap

LifeWise Academy is a released time religious instruction program that provides Bible-based character education to public school students during the school day. While this may

seem “too good to be true,” the law actually makes it possible and therefore legal in all 50 states.

More than half of the states in the U.S. now have laws specifically pertaining to released time, allowing public school students to receive elective religious instruction during the school day, under the following conditions:

- ◆ Voluntary: Parental permission is required for child’s participation
- ◆ Off Campus: Program must be held off site of school premises
- ◆ Privately Funded: No government funds can be used for this program

Need for LifeWise Academy

It’s not hard to see the challenges faced by our nation. There are all-time highs among youth depression, anxiety and suicide. Now, more than ever, schools must address these challenges. LifeWise Academy comes alongside administrators and teachers as a supportive ally in the fight for better character development, mental health, academic performance and family & community involvement.

- ◆ Character Development: teaching weekly character qualities and how they can be applied in the classroom, at home and in the community
- ◆ Mental Health: providing a means for religious activity, which, studies show, can positively affect students’ mental health
- ◆ Academic Performance: reinforcing and supplementing the skills and achievements that students must gain in order to succeed in school and life
- ◆ Family & Community Involvement: attracting and retaining families who may otherwise opt out of public school due to lack of religious instruction

To learn more about the documented benefits of released time, please visit lifewise.org/educators.

LifeWise Tiffin Goals

LifeWise Tiffin is committed to the faithful, gospel-centered teaching of Scripture. Each LifeWise lesson presents one Bible passage and links to the gospel and the students’ character with an intentional focus on three areas:

- ◆ Head: We focus first on simply knowing what the Bible says, what happened in the story and what we learn about God, ourselves or the world through each passage
- ◆ Heart: We examine how the Bible story ties into and points to the big picture of the gospel
- ◆ Hands: We explore ways students can live out the changed character that the gospel produces

Launching in Tiffin: Where We’ve Been

The movement to launch a LifeWise in Tiffin started over two years ago and the Lord’s provision has been evident every step of the way.

- ◆ Building community interest (Summer 2024-Present): Community members have been adding their names to the local Community Interest List to say, “Yes! We want a Bible education program for local students.” To date, hundreds have added their names to the list.
- ◆ Obtaining school approval (Summer 2024-January2025): A local Steering Committee worked with LifeWise staff to prepare a logistical plan that was presented to the Tiffin City Schools Superintendent in the Summer of 2024. The Governor of Ohio signed House Bill 8 in January of 2025 which allows LifeWise to move forward with launching a pilot program in Tiffin City Schools.

- ◆ Pilot Program (Fall 2025): The LifeWise Tiffin team is launching one pilot program in September 2025 to serve students at Krout Elementary School.

Where We're Going

After proving the concept locally, the LifeWise Tiffin team intends to act with urgency to provide LifeWise broadly throughout the Tiffin City School district. With the right resources and personnel, there's every reason to believe that students in all 5 school buildings could be enrolled within the next three school years.

- ◆ 2025-26 School Year: 1 Building
 - ◇ Pilot program launching in one school in Fall 2025
- ◆ 2026-27 School Year: 3 Buildings
 - ◇ Additional schools added in year two will depend on a variety of factors, including proximity to potential facilities, nearby partnering churches, relationships with school personnel, interest among parents, etc.
- ◆ 2027-28 School Year: 5 Buildings
 - ◇ While the first two years of launches will focus on elementary schools, year three will begin to focus more on expanding LifeWise into the upper grades of the district.

Request for Financial Support: What it will take

To make LifeWise a reality, it will take God's people investing their time, talent and treasure. LifeWise speaks in terms of Connectors, Doers and Funders. Often, individuals contribute as two or more of those roles.

- ◆ Director/Teacher(s) – LifeWise Tiffin has a part-time paid Director and teacher.
- ◆ Facility/Transportation – Bussing to our host site, Restoration Alliance Church.
- ◆ Membership Fee – The LifeWise Support Center provides all curriculum, technology systems, liability insurance, background screenings, training, coaching, etc., LifeWise Tiffin for an annual fee of \$360 per student per year.
- ◆ Miscellaneous – \$5,000 for classroom supplies, printing and postage for promotional materials, endowment contributions, etc.

Your contribution will be the catalyst to bring the gospel to public school students in the Tiffin City School District and will help us remove financial barriers for families, recruit and retain passionate staff, provide safe transportation, and spread the word through outreach efforts. With your partnership, we believe LifeWise can be a lasting force for good in our community, shaping students' hearts, strengthening families, and building a better future. Please don't hesitate to contact us for any reason in the future.

Donations

- ◆ Donate directly visit www.lifewise.org/tiffincityoh and click the "donate" button.
- ◆ Mail checks payable to LifeWise Academy with "Tiffin City Schools" in the memo line. Mail checks to: LifeWise Academy Tiffin, PO Box 204, Tiffin, OH 44883.

Other ways to get involved

If you are interested in any of the below opportunities, email Meghan Sandrock, LifeWise Tiffin City Schools Program Director at tiffincityoh@lifewise.org and start today!

- ◆ Walk students to LifeWise and back to school
- ◆ Ride with students on the bus to LifeWise and back
- ◆ Drive the bus to transport students in Tiffin City School District? (CDL required)
- ◆ Serve on the LifeWise Tiffin Board
- ◆ Become a LifeWise Ambassador
- ◆ Lead as a teacher or substitute teacher
- ◆ Help organize a fundraising event
- ◆ Donate your time behind the scenes
- ◆ Provide supplies
- ◆ Pray

We can't wait to connect and look forward to walking alongside you in this journey. Thank you again for being a part of something so meaningful.

Sincerely,
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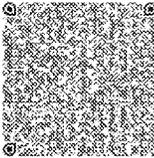
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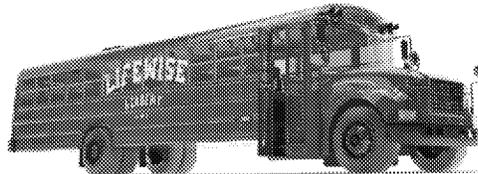
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- Pray?
- Consider how God might use YOU to help provide Bible education for public school students during school hours?

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Hello Meghan,

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8:55-9:40	Downie - 2nd	Shook - 2nd	Cimo - 2nd	Hull - 2nd	AA
9:45-10:30	Plan	Massi - 3rd	Plan	McLellan - 3rd	AA
10:30-11:15	Plan	Newlove - 3rd	Hicks - 3rd	Welter - 3rd	AA
11:20-12:05	K. Wise -3rd	Plan	Hoover - 3rd	K. Wise - 3rd	Sub Recess
12:05-12:45	Lunch/Recess Duty				
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1:20-2:05	Hepp - 2nd	Jones - 2nd	Jones - 2nd	Plan	Plan
2:10-2:55	Burkes - 2nd	M. Wise - 2nd	Dowine - 2nd	Plan	Plan
3:00-3:30	Bus Duty				

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Sent: 8/1/2025 11:40:06 AM
To: Theresa Stover [theresa_stover@tiffincityschools.org]
Subject: Fwd: Schedule

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Message

From: Wise, Michelle [michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org]
on behalf of Wise, Michelle <michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org> [michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org]
Sent: 8/4/2025 12:05:45 PM
To: Gerald Nadeau [jerry_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org]
Subject: LifeWise at Krout

I know you said I didn't need your permission, but I would feel better if you gave me the ok before I send to staff. I did talk to Theresa and I will be meeting with her again today.

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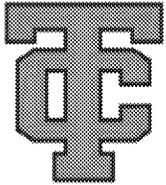
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on behalf of Nadeau, Gerald <gerald_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org> [gerald_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org]
Sent: 8/13/2025 8:59:55 AM
To: Wise, Michelle [michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org]
Subject: Re: Open House Events and Released Time

Great. Thank you.

Thank you,
Jerry

Jerry Nadeau
Superintendent
Tiffin City Schools
244 S. Monroe Street
Tiffin, Ohio 44883
Office--(419) 447-2515
Cell--(330) 714-2821



On Wed, Aug 13, 2025, 8:58 AM Wise, Michelle <michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org> wrote:

I agree with you. I don't think we are ready this year, but we can make it work next year. We would be able to open it up to different community organizations and see what type of turnout we receive. I think keeping our open house the same type of format this year is our best case scenario.

Michelle Wise
Principal
Krout Elementary School



On Wed, Aug 13, 2025 at 7:41 AM Nadeau, Gerald <gerald_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org> wrote:

Thank you.

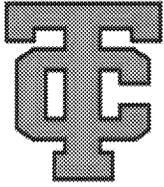
I will respond at some time. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] while that would be in alignment, I am not sure we want that this year. Thoughts.

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On Tue, Aug 12, 2025, 3:53 PM Wise, Michelle <michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org> wrote:
Got it. If you decide you want me to repond because he may get nasty without a response, let me know.

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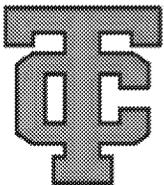


On Tue, Aug 12, 2025 at 1:46 PM Nadeau, Gerald <gerald_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org> wrote:
Hi there,

Please do not respond to this email. I have forwarded to counsel and will be in touch.

Thank you,
Jerry

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----- Forwarded message -----

From: **Keith Comer** <keithc@respectpublicschools.com>

Date: Tue, Aug 12, 2025, 1:22 PM

Subject: Open House Events and Released Time

To: <michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org>, <jerry_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org>, <michelle_tuite@tiffincityschools.org>, <robert_boes@tiffincityschools.org>, <meghansandrock@lifewise.org>

Lifewise Academy generally attends school "open house" or "back-to-school" events.

Please be aware that this violates the United States Supreme Court case *Zorach vs Clauson* (1952). This case states, "no announcement of any kind will be made in the public schools relative to the program [rule 1]." Link to the case text

<https://supreme.justia.com/cases/federal/us/343/306/#:~:text=no%20announcement%20of%20any%20kind%20will%20be%20made%20in%20the%20public%20schools%20relative%20to%20the%20program%20%5Brule%201%5D>

Please refrain from allowing Lifewise Academy to announce its program on school property. The Supreme Court case is clear on this. Released time programs are held to different laws and requirements than the open access laws schools generally follow to allow other community programs on school property. Please indicate if Lifewise will be allowed at the open house events or if you will not allow it.

Thank you,

Keith Comer
567-230-2461

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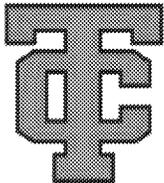
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on behalf of Nadeau, Gerald <gerald_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org> [gerald_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org]
Sent: 8/18/2025 5:51:18 PM
To: Lindsey Distel [Lindsey_Distel@tiffincityschools.org]; Jennifer Watson [jennifer_watson@tiffincityschools.org]; Michelle Wise [michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org]; Mike Newlove [mike_newlove@tiffincityschools.org]; Ryan Imke [ryan_imke@tiffincityschools.org]; Michelle Tuite [michelle_tuite@tiffincityschools.org]
CC: Robert Boes [bob_boes@tiffincityschools.org]; Pat Smith [Pat_Smith@tiffincityschools.org]; Abigail Young [abigail_young@tiffincityschools.org]; Brette Ott [brette_ott@tiffincityschools.org]; Greg Devore [greg_devore@tiffincityschools.org]
Subject: Important information

Good evening,

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Message

From: Martin, Jana [REDACTED]
on behalf of Martin, Jana <[REDACTED]>
Sent: 8/19/2025 10:16:08 AM
To: Smith, Pat [Pat_Smith@tiffincityschools.org]
Subject: RE: I cannot have you at Columbian tomorrow

Thanks for letting me know about this last evening, Pat! I saw your message and was able to communicate to the individual that was to attend so she could make other plans.

Have a great week!

Jana

From: Smith, Pat <Pat_Smith@tiffincityschools.org>
Sent: Monday, August 18, 2025 9:26 PM
To: Martin, Jana <[REDACTED]>
Subject: I cannot have you at Columbian tomorrow

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Jana,

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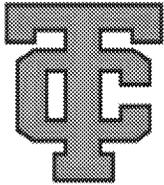
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on behalf of Nadeau, Gerald <gerald_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org> [gerald_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org]
Sent: 9/4/2025 7:40:27 AM
To: Kisabeth, Larry [larry_kisabeth@tiffincityschools.org]
Subject: Re: Seneca News Daily

Good morning,

When we evaluated the policy and the goal of minimizing time missed, library time was chosen as the most appropriate time due to the rotation of specials. Special classes are on a 12 week rotation and students who participate in the LifeWise program will have the opportunity to attend library time due every 12 weeks a Special is offered twice.

Thank you,
Jerry

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On Thu, Sep 4, 2025, 7:30 AM Kisabeth, Larry <larry_kisabeth@tiffincityschools.org> wrote:
Mr. Nadeaul,

Seneca News Daily is reporting this morning that LifeWise will be taking third graders out of Krout elementary school with parent permission to attend Bible classes at Alliance Church during library hours.

I want to make sure that our community knows that the BOE has made the statement that all of our classes are required classes and therefore no student will miss classes.

I also believe that it is important that the community knows that this was not a BOE acceptance of LifeWise but a state legislative mandate when they changed the wording to "shall provide" this opportunity from "can provide" this opportunity.

Not speaking for the board, but from myself, I totally disagree with this action based on separation of church and state.

I do believe that this is a state issue (problem) and not a local issue but one placed upon us by a mandate from our state legislature.

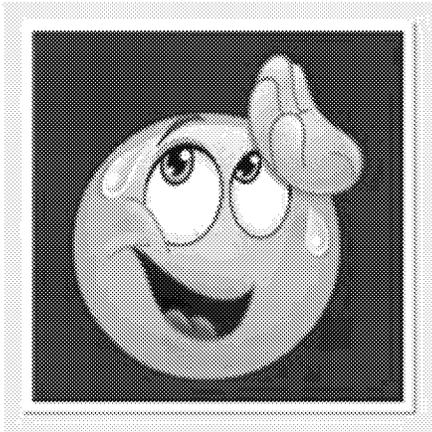
Sincerely submitted,

Larry J. Kisabeth

Message

From: Saum-Stockner, Jodi [Jodi_Saum-Stockner@tiffincityschools.org]
on behalf of Saum-Stockner, Jodi <Jodi_Saum-Stockner@tiffincityschools.org> [Jodi_Saum-Stockner@tiffincityschools.org]
Sent: 9/4/2025 9:32:23 AM
To: Eisenhower, Shannon [shannon_eisenhower@tiffincityschools.org]
Subject: Re: Question

Whew.....Thank you!



Jodi Saum-Stockner
TCS Assistant Transportation Supervisor
1045 S. Caldwell Avenue
Tiffin, Ohio 44883
P: 419-447-8729
F: 419-447-1060

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<https://www.tiffincityschools.org/about-tcs/departments/transportation>

On Thu, Sep 4, 2025 at 8:55 AM Eisenhower, Shannon <shannon_eisenhower@tiffincityschools.org> wrote:
LifeWise is providing transportation.

On Thu, Sep 4, 2025 at 8:49 AM Saum-Stockner, Jodi <Jodi_Saum-Stockner@tiffincityschools.org> wrote:
How are students being transported to and from the new LifeWise Academy that is being offered for Krout 3rd graders?

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Thank you,

Mrs. Shannon Eisenhower

Krout 2-3 Elementary School

shannon_eisenhower@tiffincityschools.org

Phone: 419-447-2652

Fax: 419-448-5223

Message

From: Wise, Michelle [michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org]
on behalf of Wise, Michelle <michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org> [michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org]
Sent: 9/8/2025 3:13:49 PM
To: Gerald Nadeau [gerald_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org]
Subject: WRE

Hello,

I just got off the phone with WRE and they want to begin their program at Krout on September 29 after school. The coordinator is unsure if LifeWise will impact their numbers, but they are currently planning on two classes again. They will reserve the two rooms in our building on Mondays from 3:15-4:30.

The coordinator said she will create the flyers and send them to the ad building for approval. I am not sure if we are also sending home flyers for other organizations at this time. Just wanted to let you know. Thanks!

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on behalf of Wise, Michelle <michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org> [michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org]
Sent: 9/11/2025 8:00:00 AM
To: Krout Staff All 25-26 [krout-staff-all-25-26@tiffincityschools.org]
Subject: Staff Newsletter
Attachments: Krout Newsletter 25-26 (3).pdf

Newsletter 9/12-9/18

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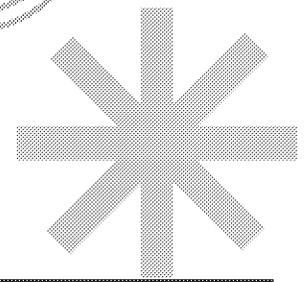
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Krout 2-3

September 11-18

80% – WE CAN DO IT



School News

Observations:

If you are on a full cycle this year for your evaluation, please sign up for your preconference and observation using the link set to you on 9/8/25. Your observations and pre-conference should be booked as soon as possible. You may book this out through November 7.

WIN Time:

WIN begins Monday, September 15. Please remind students of hallway expectations and stand by your door to help monitor.

As we start this intensive part of the day, give yourself and your team grace. It's an important step toward our 80% goal, and while we're in "triage mode" now, we'll soon be able to move from reactive to proactive.

What We Are Learning

Curriculum/Pacing Guides: These are now located in our Google Classroom so they are easy to find. As always, these documents are a work in progress.

Writing Studio from CKLA: I am working with Dr. Bohney on incorporating Writing Studio into our WIN instruction. By starting in WIN, we will be able to determine if the program meets our needs. We will discuss this more as we complete some of the lessons.

PGP: Please submit your PGP to me through the OhioES system by Tuesday, September 30. If you are unable to do it through the system, please let me know and we will set up a time to meet and discuss your goals.

Staff Info

Informal observations:

I have been able to get into many classes the past few weeks to see what our students are learning and how great our teachers are at teaching!! Please do not stop teaching when I enter. Also, feel free to utilize my presence if you need something while I am in your room.

Upcoming Events

- 9/12 - Schedules due
- 9/15 - WIN begins
- 9/17 - Picture Day
- 9/17 - 2nd Grade Team Meeting
- 9/18 - 3rd Grade Team Meeting
- 9/18 - Co-Teaching Plan
- 9/19 - Pep Rally - 2:30pm in the gym

Announcements

If you get any questions regarding LifeWise, please let me know. We are not expected to answer any questions regarding the program. At this time, I do believe it is slated to begin the week of September 29. WRE will be starting the same week.

Reminder

Please remember to use your 10 minute filler handout if you have extra time between your activities in class. We don't want to waste any of our time when we are working so hard at reaching our 80%.

10 Minute Fillers

Message

From: Stover, Theresa [Theresa_Stover@tiffincityschools.org]
on behalf of Stover, Theresa <Theresa_Stover@tiffincityschools.org> [Theresa_Stover@tiffincityschools.org]
Sent: 9/15/2025 10:39:32 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re:

Hi there!

Oh no!!

We have started checking out and there are some additional issues. My library software has not been working since I returned in August. And they will be taking students out of library class to go to LifeWise religious instruction off campus. So those kids will never get library time. It has been a year! Well, I don't have great news either-I'm taking a leave of absence starting September 30 to [REDACTED] I will be off for 6-8 weeks probably, not sure, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] I was hoping you would be able to help out the 4 different people trying to cover my library while I'm gone. No worries, though, 2 of the people covering have had lots of library experience so I think we will be ok until you are able to be "back on your feet". No pun intended!!! [REDACTED]

On Mon, Sep 15, 2025 at 10:29 AM <[REDACTED]> wrote:

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Theresa Stover
Krout 2-3 Elementary, Library
20 Glenn Street
419-447-2652

Message

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on behalf of Wise, Michelle <michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org> [michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org]
Sent: 9/19/2025 1:41:33 PM
To: Krout Staff All 25-26 [krout-staff-all-25-26@tiffincityschools.org]
Subject: Fwd: LifeWise

I wanted to follow up with everyone regarding LifeWise. As of this time, they do not have an official start date. I will continue to update you as I find out more information. For now, I do not know when the official start date will be. Please let me know if you have any questions. Thanks!

Michelle Wise
Principal
Krout Elementary School



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From: **Wise, Michelle** <michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org>
Date: Thu, Aug 7, 2025 at 4:05 PM
Subject: LifeWise
To: Krout Staff All 24-25 <krout-staff-all-24-25@tiffincityschools.org>

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From: Stover, Theresa[Theresa_Stover@tiffincityschools.org]
Sent: Tue 9/23/2025 11:31:59 AM (UTC-04:00)
To: Virginia Cochie [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Cleared for volunteering 🐾

[REDACTED] I will be here Monday, but then after that it is a mixed bag somewhat. The 30th is supposed to be someone that I'm not sure has much library experience. After the 30th is Carla Amory and she was a long term sub in the library at Washington, so she knows a little more. I'm afraid it's about to get crazy, especially with the LifeWise group taking the 3rd graders during their library times. LifeWise hasn't given us a start date yet, but it was supposed to be the 30th. Those kids that get signed up for that will not come to library the rest of the year, unless they drop from Lifewise at the quarter. I'm still very sad about all of that, but it was an administrative and board decision to let them come in, so I don't have a choice. I've tried to make the lessons for the sub as easy as I can, but it is so overwhelming with the amount of library books returned that sometimes they just do what they can and I totally understand. I'll try to make a drawing of where books go so that if someone comes in not familiar will at least be able to send students in the right direction.

On Tue, Sep 23, 2025 at 10:51 AM Virginia Cochie <[REDACTED]> wrote:

I can do the readers next week and library following week. I'll pop in when I'm there. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPhone

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September 26 - October 2

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School News

LifeWise:

LifeWise will not be starting on September 29, 2025. I do not have a definite start date at this time. As soon as I hear, I will make sure to share the information.

Student of the Month:

We will be starting Student of the Month in October. This year I will send home a copy of the letter the students receive via Final Forms so all of the parents are informed. I believe some of the papers last year did not make it home. I am going to hopefully remove that barrier this year. Remember, if a student does not have an adult attending, the student may pick a student from his/her class to join us for star student lunch.

What We Are Learning

Curriculum/Pacing Guides: Due to last week's missed day, pacing guides may be slightly off. Please aim to finish each unit on schedule; if needed, it's acceptable to shorten or streamline a lesson as long as the core content is taught.

Picture Day at Krout: Picture day at Krout has been rescheduled for Tuesday, October 7. Parents who already purchased photos online do not need to take any action — their orders will be valid for the new date..

School Messenger: I am still waiting for the update and training for School Messenger. I did learn last week that all the messages I sent to Krout staff via School Messenger went to Noble's staff. I hope this is fixed now.)

Announcements

WRE will be tentatively be starting September 29. They will use the Library and room 125 for attendance. They will then take the students from 125 and instruct them in the Art room. The other students will remain in the library.

Staff Info

iXL Arena: Please make sure students visit the Arena weekly so their assessment data stays current — we will use that data to update the Goals bulletin board and track academic progress.

Also, you can print iXL reports for conferences; they show each student's growth from the initial benchmark to the date the report is run.

Upcoming Events

9/26 - IS meeting - 8:00am

9/29 - WRE begins

9/30 - Fire Drill 1:30

10/1 - 2nd grade team mtg

10/2 - 3rd grade team mts

Conference Update

As in the past few years, Parent/Teacher Conferences may be held virtually or in person. If held in person, these meetings must occur in the school building setting. If held virtually, they can be held either in the building/classroom or another location (ie. home). We highly encourage all parent teacher conferences, whether in person or not, to be held in the school building, but will be flexible with the teachers in what they choose to do. Please give Shannon a copy of your conference schedule in advance. Remember, we want 100% participation with our parents.

Message

From: Spence, Anne [anne_spence@tiffincityschools.org]
on behalf of Spence, Anne <anne_spence@tiffincityschools.org> [anne_spence@tiffincityschools.org]
Sent: 12/18/2025 7:46:51 AM
To: Keith Comer [keithc@respectpublicschools.com]
Subject: Public Records Request Response
Attachments: Tiffin City Schools - LifeWise PRR Production 2025.12.17.pdf

Mr. Comer.

I am responding to your public records request. Records the District was able to identify as responsive based on your request are enclosed in the attached file. However, please be advised, redactions were made of the following:

- Information protected by the attorney-client privilege (ORC § 149.43(A)(1)(v), § 2317.02; *State ex rel. Thomas v. Ohio State Univ.*, 71 Ohio St. 3d 245 (1994))
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- Other information which does not serve to document the organization, functions, policies, procedures, or other activities of the District (*State ex rel. Wilson-Simmons v. Lake Co. Sheriff's Dept.*, 82 Ohio St. 3d 37 (1998))

The District has made a good faith attempt to respond to your request with responsive records within a reasonable period time based on the breadth and scope of the request.

Best,

Anne

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Anne E. Spence
Treasurer

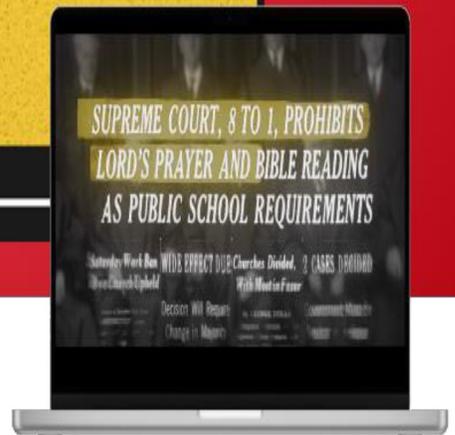
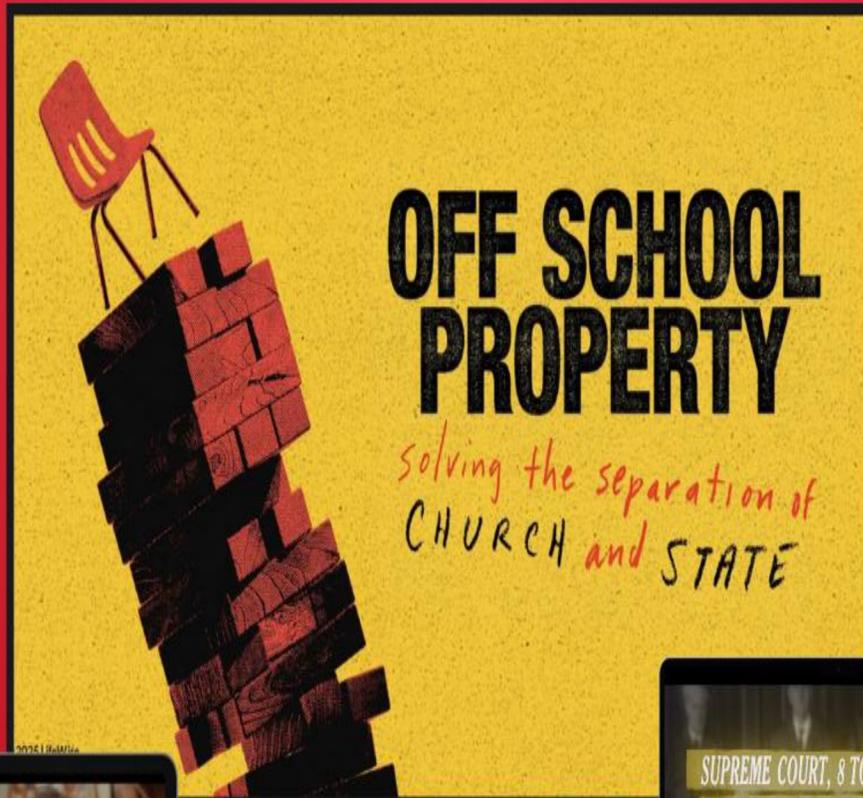
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Message

From: LifeWise [donotreply@lifewise.org]
on behalf of LifeWise <donotreply@lifewise.org> [donotreply@lifewise.org]
Sent: 1/6/2026 11:01:31 AM
To: christine_shaver@tiffincityschools.org
Subject: Off School Property is coming to Angel Studios

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The powerful documentary that moved audiences in theaters nationwide is [coming to Angel Studios!](#) Viewers are calling *Off School Property* "hope-filled," "eye-opening" and "a must-see for every community."

Discover how God is using ordinary people to bring Bible education to public school students during the school day. [Click here](#) to watch the trailer now.

[Mark your calendar for January 15.](#) Add *Off School Property* to your watchlist and spread the word!

The LifeWise Team



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Message

From: Meghan Sandrock [REDACTED]
on behalf of Meghan Sandrock [REDACTED]
Sent: 1/7/2026 8:42:13 AM
To: Wise, Michelle [michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org]
Subject: Re: Launch update

Thank you so much!



Meghan Sandrock
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On Wed, Jan 7, 2026 at 6:48 AM Wise, Michelle <michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org> wrote:
Hi Meghan,

I spoke to Mr. Boes and he stated the permission form has been approved. I will continue to work on the next term's special schedule and get you a copy as soon as I am done. Thanks!

Michelle Wise
Principal
Krout Elementary School



On Tue, Jan 6, 2026 at 6:57 AM Wise, Michelle <michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org> wrote:
Hi Meghan,

Our next term begins February 23. I will send you the schedule once it is finalized. I will try to get third grade two library times again to make this process work for our students. I will be in touch.

Michelle Wise
Principal
Krout Elementary School



On Mon, Jan 5, 2026 at 10:56 AM Meghan Sandrock <[REDACTED]> wrote:
Hi Michelle,

Happy New Year! After meeting with our team, we are in agreement with you that lunch time would be difficult to manage. I couldn't remember from our meeting in the summer why we hadn't explored lunch as an option, so I appreciate you sending that information. We would also like to honor what we originally planned to do by starting with just 3rd grade this year.

I am still waiting to hear back from Robert Boes about permission forms so with that in mind, we would like to move the official launch to when the next term begins. Could you send me that date please? And when you have the available schedule for that term for the 3rd graders, could you send that over as well? We have secured transportation which was a large hurdle, so I do not foresee any further issues preventing us to move forward.

Let me know if you have any questions in the meantime. Thanks so much!



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On Thu, Dec 11, 2025 at 8:45 AM Wise, Michelle <michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org> wrote:
 Hi Meghan,

I believe having LifeWise during lunch/recess will be extremely challenging. Our grade levels do not eat at the same time due to the space constraints of our lunchroom. We have students going to lunch every 10-20 minutes from 11:25-12:35. If you have direct questions on the schedule, please let me know.

1. Could you send me what that lunch/recess looks like for both 2nd and 3rd grade? Does 2nd and 3rd grade have this period together or separately?

Lunch Schedule		Recess	
11:25-11:45	Jones, Hepp, Burkes (2nd)	11:45-12:05	Jones, Hepp, Burkes (2nd)
11:35-11:55	M. Wise, Downie (2nd)	11:55-12:15	M. Wise, Downie (2nd)
11:55-12:15	Cimo, Hull, Shook (2nd)	12:15-12:35	Cimo, Hull, Shook (2nd)
12:05-12:25	Newlove, Hicks, Clason (3rd)	12:25-12:45	Newlove, Hicks, Clason (3rd)
12:25-12:45	Massi, McLellan, Welter (3rd)	12:45-1:05	Massi, McLellan, Welter (3rd)
12:35-12:55	K. Wise, Hoover (3rd)	12:55-1:15	K. Wise, Hoover (3rd)

2. Do 3rd graders have two library times all year? Or just for a certain term?

I created the second 12 week term specifically for third grade to have two library times based on the start date of LifeWise. I can continue this for the third 12 week term.

3. Do the 2nd graders have two library times as well? If we opened up the time for 2nd graders, would they be in the library at the same time?

I only have one 2nd grade class with two library times. My focus was on 3rd grade since that is where I thought we were starting with the LifeWise program.

Michelle Wise
Principal
Krout Elementary School



On Wed, Dec 10, 2025 at 4:06 PM Meghan Sandrock <[REDACTED]> wrote:
Hi Michelle!

I hope this email finds you well as the busyness of the Christmas season is upon us! In regards to our last email, the leadership team would like to explore some other options as we prepare to launch in 2026. While we really appreciate and respect the offer of having LifeWise classes during library time, financially and programatically it might make more sense for us to pursue the lunch/recess option. But before moving forward on that, I would like to get some clarification on the schedule.

- 1). Could you send me what that lunch/recess looks like for both 2nd and 3rd grade? Does 2nd and 3rd grade have this period together or separately?
- 2). Do 3rd graders have two library times all year? Or just for a certain term?
- 3). Do the 2nd graders have two library times as well? If we opened up the time for 2nd graders, would they be in library at the same time?

Thank you for all your help!



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On Tue, Nov 25, 2025 at 7:13 AM Wise, Michelle <michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org> wrote:
Hello,

Thank you for thinking of us. This has been a tough month for Tiffin.

I sent your request to Mr. Boes on Friday since Mr. Nadeau isn't in the district. I am waiting to hear back from him. I asked him to email us both when he has an answer. Feel free to reach out to him, if needed.

I'm comfortable starting either in January or with the third 12-week rotation in March. I'll leave that decision up to you—just let me know what works best.

I was able to schedule two library times for all third-grade classes (with one exception), so even if a student participates in LifeWise, they will still have a regular library day. The classes highlighted in red are the ones that would attend LifeWise on those dates. Let me know what you decide.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:00-8:30	Morning Duty - Library				
8:30-8:55	Plan	Plan	Plan	Plan	Plan
8:55-9:40	Burkes	Cimo	Hull	Shook	Plan
9:45-10:30	Massi	Massi	McLellan	McLellan	Plan
10:30-11:15	Hicks	Hicks	Welter	Newlove	Newlove
11:20-12:05	Hoover	K. Wise	Plan	Hoover	K. Wise
12:05-12:45	Lunch/Recess Duty				
12:45-1:20	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
1:20-2:05	Jones	Hepp	Jones	Hepp	AA
2:10-2:55	Downie	M. Wise	Burkes	Plan	AA
3:00-3:30	Bus Duty				

Michelle Wise
Principal
Krout Elementary School



On Mon, Nov 24, 2025 at 2:48 PM Meghan Sandrock <[REDACTED]> wrote:
Hi Michelle,

Thinking of you, your staff, and students and praying you all are doing okay. I have an update on the launch and some follow up questions for you.

I haven't heard back from Mr. Nadeau yet on how he would like us to proceed with getting the permission forms to parents at Krout, so we will need to push our launch date. Is there a possibility of beginning in January? Or would you prefer we start at the beginning of a 12-week term? What would be the next start date for the following 12-week term and is it likely the schedule will be similar?

Now that we have secured transportation, I don't foresee needing to push the start date again. I really appreciate your patience with us as we navigate obstacles!

Thank you,



Meghan Sandrock

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Message

From: Wise, Michelle [michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org]
on behalf of Wise, Michelle <michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org> [michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org]
Sent: 1/7/2026 1:28:14 PM
To: Stover, Theresa [Theresa_Stover@tiffincityschools.org]
Subject: Re: Library

Yep -- using the second time for typing is perfect! I will let Shawnie know. Thank you!

Michelle Wise
Principal
Krout Elementary School



On Wed, Jan 7, 2026 at 7:52 AM Stover, Theresa <Theresa_Stover@tiffincityschools.org> wrote:

Sounds good! I would just like to request, if possible, a couple of periods Friday afternoons or mornings, be left open for lesson planning and to catch up on library tasks, such as preparing overdue notices, repairing and processing, shelving, etc. On days where I only have 20 min in the morning (sometimes not even that depending on when the classes are picked up) with back to back classes, it's difficult to do any planning or library duties.

I've been utilizing that double class time for typing if that's still what you would like me to do. The original class I still do check outs, book studies and activities.

That's fine for Shawnie's class

Thanks for letting me know about LifeWise- I was wondering!

On Wed, Jan 7, 2026 at 6:56 AM Wise, Michelle <michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org> wrote:

Good morning,

I was just informed that LifeWise will begin at the start of our last specials rotation on February 23. With that in mind, I would like to try to schedule double library again for third grade so we can ensure they still receive at least one library period with you each week. I haven't started working through the next schedule yet, but I wanted to let you know that I'm going to try to make this work. I agree with you, students shouldn't miss library if we can find a way to make it happen.

I also have a quick question. Shawnie asked whether she could use the second library time to send students to Karen Murphy's social group. The group runs from 9:30–10:00, so students would miss only about 15 minutes of the second library period. I let her know I would check with you before giving an answer. Please let me know your thoughts. Thanks!

Michelle Wise
Principal
Krout Elementary School



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Theresa Stover
Krout 2-3 Elementary, Library
20 Glenn Street
419-447-2652

Message

From: LifeWise [donotreply@lifewise.org]
on behalf of LifeWise <donotreply@lifewise.org> [donotreply@lifewise.org]
Sent: 1/10/2026 9:01:12 AM
To: christine_shaver@tiffincityschools.org
Subject: 5 days until Off School Property streams on Angel Studios

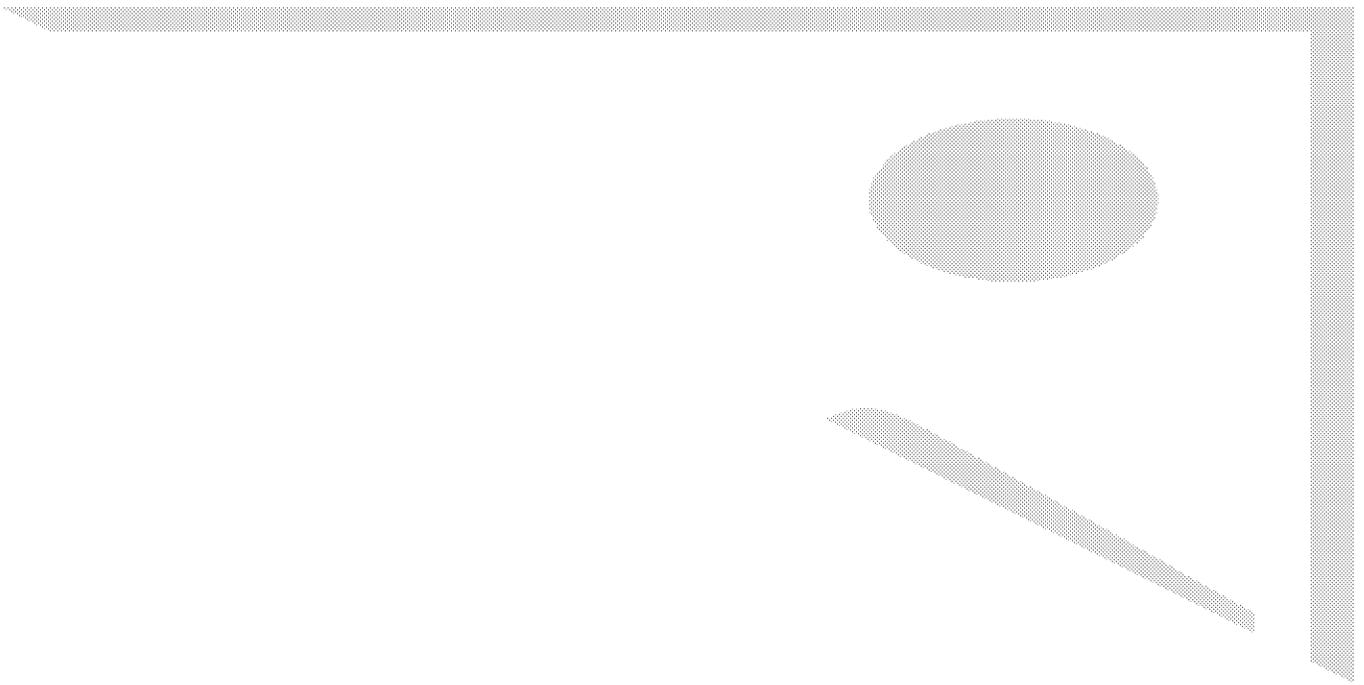


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Message

From: Boes, Robert [robert_boes@tiffincityschools.org]
on behalf of Boes, Robert <robert_boes@tiffincityschools.org> [robert_boes@tiffincityschools.org]
Sent: 1/13/2026 11:14:05 AM
To: Wise, Michelle [michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org]
Subject: Re: LifeWise Follow Up

Thanks!
Have a GREAT day!

Bob

Robert F. Boes
Tiffin City Schools



On Tue, Jan 13, 2026 at 10:21 AM Wise, Michelle <michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org> wrote:

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Principal
Krout Elementary School



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From: **Wise, Michelle** <michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org>
Date: Mon, Jan 12, 2026 at 9:07 AM
Subject: Fwd: LifeWise Follow Up
To: Shannon Eisenhower <shannon_eisenhower@tiffincityschools.org>, Courtnie Williams <courtnie_williams@tiffincityschools.org>

Here is the chain.

Michelle Wise
Principal
Krout Elementary School



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From: **Wise, Michelle** <michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org>

Date: Tue, Jul 15, 2025 at 10:50 AM

Subject: Re: LifeWise Follow Up

To: Nadeau, Gerald <gerald_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org>

I'm open anytime tomorrow, July 16. Just let me know. Thanks!

Michelle Wise
Principal
Krout Elementary School



On Tue, Jul 15, 2025 at 6:57 AM Nadeau, Gerald <gerald_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org> wrote:
Good morning,

Please send me times that work and we can meet via GoogleMeet.

Thank you,

On Mon, Jul 14, 2025 at 8:33 PM Wise, Michelle <michelle_wise@tiffincityschools.org> wrote:
I'm in Florida this week, but can make time to meet. We started this in Kenton, so I have a good idea on how to make this happen from Krout's perspective, but it will make people angry. Can we try to schedule a time to talk about this? I want your perspective prior to talking to anyone from LifeWise. Thanks!

Michelle Wise
Principal
Krout Elementary School



On Mon, Jul 14, 2025 at 2:40 PM Nadeau, Gerald <gerald_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org> wrote:
Good afternoon,

Krout has been selected by LifeWise Academy for a Religious Release Time program for the 2025-26 school year. Please review the questions below and let's schedule some time to further discuss.

Thank you,

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From: **Meghan Sandrock** <[REDACTED]>

Date: Mon, Jun 30, 2025 at 1:31 PM

Subject: Re: LifeWise Follow Up

To: Nadeau, Gerald <gerald_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org>

I appreciate you getting back with me, Jerry. I'm so sorry to hear about your mom and I will keep her in my prayers.

I've listed the logistical questions for Krout below. I don't know if these are the exact questions we gave you in the meeting but they're close enough! Thank you so much for assisting with this.

Logistics for Krout Elementary

1. How will the exchange between teachers and LifeWise volunteers take place? For example, do volunteers need to pick up students from the classroom or will the teachers bring them to the exterior doors?
2. If LifeWise volunteers/teachers need to enter the school building to pick up the LifeWise students, what are the sign-in procedures?
3. Will students have the opportunity to use the restroom before attending LifeWise?
4. How will students return to class? Will the classroom teacher meet them at the exterior doors or will volunteers walk them back to the classroom door?
5. Will the school be able to provide students who need free/reduced lunch the ability to take their lunches with them to LifeWise if LifeWise classes are held during the lunch/recess block?
6. What is the protocol for students with IEPs or personal aides? Will aides come to LifeWise class in unique situations?
7. Will LifeWise be given an opportunity to have a booth/table during the school open house?
8. Does the school have assembly, testing and field trip schedules yet?
9. Will the school distribute LifeWise permission forms to all students? Will the school keep additional permission forms available in the school office for students who request them?
10. Will the school allow LifeWise to send materials back to school with students (flyers, supplies, etc.)?
11. Some students have shared parent/guardianship. In these cases, will both guardians be required to sign the permission form?
12. Some students will fill out the registration/permission form online. Would the school like copies of individual registration forms, or just a list of registrants?
13. In case of an emergency, evacuation, weather incident etc. during the LifeWise class time, will LifeWise staff have a direct line to the school office? Will LifeWise be notified of emergency drills ahead of time?
14. Who should LifeWise contact with pertinent information regarding a student (ie: behavior, incidents that require a report, emergencies, etc)?



Meghan Sandrock

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On Mon, Jun 30, 2025 at 12:56 PM Nadeau, Gerald <gerald_nadeau@tiffincityschools.org> wrote:

Hi there,

I apologize for the delay. I have been in and out of the office due to my mom's health. Would you be able to scan the document with questions to me and I will provide a response asap?

Thank you,

On Fri, Jun 27, 2025 at 4:09 PM Meghan Sandrock <[\[REDACTED\]](mailto:msandrock@tiffincityschools.org)> wrote:

Good Afternoon Gerry,

I hope this message finds you well and that your summer has been enjoyable thus far. I wanted to kindly follow up regarding the LifeWise launch at Krout Elementary this fall. When we last met on June 5th, we were hopeful for some answers to questions regarding logistics. I understand how quickly calendars (and emails) can fill up this time of year.

I truly appreciate your time and attention to this, and I wanted to check in again to see if there might be any updates you're able to share. We're eager to move forward with planning and are more than happy to assist however we can to make implementation as seamless as possible on your end.

Thank you again for your partnership in making this a positive experience all around. I look forward to hearing from you soon!

Warmly,



Meghan Sandrock

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Thank you,
Jerry

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Thank you,
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