

Enroll in the Released Time Bible Program!

When you enroll your children in the Released Time Bible Program, they are enrolled for their entire public school career. This includes through the high school years of the program if it is offered in their school. No need to fill out a permission form each year. Your signature on this form is effective until you inform us otherwise. A volunteer will contact you prior to the start of Released Time each year to update each child's information and verify enrollment.

What results parents are seeing in their children...

"My son doesn't learn well in a crowded, rushed environment. Released Time has small group instruction that is well organized with limited distractions. The small group instruction is working very well for him."

"She started having her own devotions each night!"

"I see her growing in her Christian walk."

"I love watching her learn verses, recite their meanings and understand them and how they apply to our lives."



Dear Parent or Guardian,

Parents consistently tell us the #1 reason they send their child to the Released Time Bible Program is for the quality spiritual instruction. I am excited that you are considering this program for your child.



The Ziebarth Family

We continue to see how the biblical instruction given by adults who lovingly care for your children (we have a ratio of 1 volunteer to every 2.4 children) will help them significantly improve their character.

The benefits regularly translate into improved school performance. If we can answer any questions as you consider this valuable program, please give us a call.

— Aaron E. Ziebarth, Executive Director

Your School Coordinator is:

Contact this person for information about the Released Time Bible Program at your school.



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Providing opportunities for people to experience life-change through personal encounters with God.



Released Time Bible Program

A program in which school students receive Biblical instruction during the school day with parental permission.

Character Development
For moral, social, intellectual and spiritual growth



Improved Learning Skills
Through instruction and memorization



Positive Relationships
With adult role models and like-minded friends



"I trust the leaders of this group and love that my child has their influence."
— parent of a Released Time student

Released Time has academic benefits for your children!

The National Council on Crime and Delinquency did a study* on Released Time classes that found the following:

1. "A comparative review of all 4th and 5th graders involved in this program **perform better than their classmates** as a whole in almost every category."
2. "Released Time students improved after one year in three categories of literacy skills: comprehension, spelling, and vocabulary."
3. "The program also provides youth with strong adult mentorship and bonding, and reinforces positive moral and character development in an environment where teachers and administrators struggle with unruly students."



* Summary of Findings: Released Time Bible Education. A program evaluation conducted by The National Council on Crime and Delinquency. http://www.nccdglobel.org/sites/default/files/publication_pdf/bible-education.pdf.

Additionally, Released Time provides...

- A safe environment for learning.
- A place to belong, where children are valued and listened to.
- A place where spiritual questions can be safely asked and addressed.
- An opportunity to memorize scripture and earn awards that lead to discounts toward summer camp. A total of 300 points earns a week of FREE camp at Joy El Camps & Retreats!



The FAQs about the Released Time Bible Program

- A legal, state-approved program that allows public school students to be dismissed from school for biblical education.
- Not affiliated in any way with or sponsored by the school district.
- Sponsored by Joy El Generation for students beginning in 3rd grade.
- Held off school property during school and children are transported or walked by Joy El Generation volunteers.
- Free to participants.
- Parental permission required. Students are enrolled on a first-come first-served basis. Children who register must attend weekly unless a parent withdraws the student in writing.
- School work missed while attending Released Time can be made up.

I give permission for my child to attend the Joy El Generation Released Time Bible Program every year that it is offered in his/her school—from elementary school through high school. I understand that I do not need to fill out a new form each year—that my signature on this form is effective until I inform the school or Joy El otherwise. (Note: If you already filled out a long term form, you do not need to complete another one.)

Last Name		First Name		Gender (Circle one) Male Female	
Address <input type="checkbox"/> Check box if address is new since last school year			City / State		
Zip Code	Home Phone # ()		Birth Date		
School during 2014-2015			Grade during 2014-2015	Homeroom /Teacher	
Parent(s) or Guardian(s)			Parent Email		
Parent Work Phone ()			Parent Cell Phone ()		
Home Church (if any)			Church Phone ()	Church Email	
Emergency Contact Name			Emergency Contact Phone ()		
Doctor			Doctor Phone ()		
Health Insurance Co.			Health Insurance Policy #		
List medications your child is allergic to, health problems, and special behavioral or learning needs.					

1. Would you be willing to serve as a Released Time volunteer? Yes _____ No _____
2. Has your child attended Released Time before? Yes _____ No _____
If yes, in what school and what grade? _____
3. I give permission for my child to participate in the Released Time Bible Program. Registered students must attend each week.
4. I understand my child will be walked or transported (van, bus, or personal vehicle) to and from the place of instruction by the Released Time volunteer staff.
5. Released Time volunteer staff will serve *in loco parentis* for me to attest to my child's attendance at the religious sessions.
6. I give permission for Joy El to use photos that include my child in print or electronic media for publicity purposes.
7. Joy El Generation will in no way be responsible for medical treatment or liability resulting from physical conditions existing prior to my child attending Released Time.
8. By providing an email address, I am granting Joy El permission to email news and information about Joy El programs to the address(es) provided.
9. I give permission to the Released Time volunteer staff to act on my behalf in my child's best interest in the event of an accident or emergency. I give permission to the hospital and/or doctor to treat or operate on my child.
10. I give Joy El permission to release insurance information to medical or hospital personnel in the event that my child should need medical attention.

Parent Signature (My signature implies consent for all above statements.)

Date