

RELEASE TIME RECORD CARD FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL

To: Public School Teacher/Principal/Attendance Officer

This is to certify that you have permission to release _____
to attend the Evansville Release Time Program. He/she will attend classes off-campus as authorized under Wisconsin Statute 118.155. It is not mandatory to attend class each week, although weekly attendance is encouraged to maintain the continuity of the program. Students must sign out in the attendance office each Tuesday in order to attend that week's class. It is also understood that once a student signs out, attendance is mandatory and that the School Board may deny the privilege of further involvement to students who absent themselves from classes after signing out. Parents will be notified should weekly absence lead to academic or school problems. Classes will be held at St. John's Lutheran Church, Evansville, each Tuesday from 2:08 - 3:00 p.m. Parent's signature on this release form will also be considered to be a legal release for any claim, demand, cause or action or assertion of liability against Evansville Release Time, its officers and teachers or meeting facility.

(student signature) and (parent/guardian signature) date _____

RELEASE TIME * WISCONSIN STATE LAW * STATUTE 118.155 (Released Time For Religious Instruction)

- (1) Any school board shall, without approval of the state superintendent, permit pupils with written permission of a parent or guardian to be absent, from school at least 60 minutes but not more than 180 minutes per week to obtain religious instruction outside the school during the required-school period. The supervisor of such religious instruction shall report monthly, to the principal of the school regularly attended, the names of the pupils who attended such weekly religious instruction. The school board may deny the privilege of released time to pupils who absent themselves from such religious instruction after requesting the privilege. The time period, or periods, allotted for the pupil to be absent from school for the purpose of religious instruction shall be determined by the school board.
- (2) Any transportation to religious instruction or from religious instruction to the public school shall be the responsibility of the parents or of the organization sponsoring the religious instruction.
- (3) The school district shall be released from all liability for a pupil who is absent from school in accordance with sub.(1).