

In an effort to encourage the success of every student, Life Way Christian School is pleased to offer a Learning Lab. Our goal is to provide direct academic guidance, at an appropriate level, for students in grades K5 through 8 who will benefit from these services. Students in grades 9 through 12 requiring testing accommodations only may also enroll in the Learning Lab.

What the Life Way Christian School Learning Lab provides:

- Educational Therapy for qualified students in 2nd through 12th grades for two to three sessions weekly in a one-on-one setting. Initial testing will be required.
- Search & Teach for qualified students in K5 or 1st grade.
- Compensatory instruction which includes a maximum of 90 minutes weekly in small groups and/or one on one assistance.
- Testing accommodations in the Learning Lab.
- An individual service plan that includes classroom accommodations and modifications *appropriate* for the student.

What the Life Way Christian School Learning Lab cannot provide:

- Occupational, speech, physical, and/or sensory therapy. These services must be secured by the parent outside of the school setting. Release time for these services may be arranged with the principal's permission.
- Counseling services.
- Self-contained resource services. Students needing additional assistance will be referred to outside providers.
- A certified special education teacher providing *all* of the instruction for tutorial programs.
- Testing services will not be provided through the Learning Lab. The Learning Lab Coordinator will recommend to parents individuals who can provide such services.
- Services without the cooperation of all team members, including the parents, classroom teacher, Learning Lab staff and student.

ENROLLMENT AND PLACEMENT:

Enrollment in the Learning Lab program is determined by the following process:

- **Referral:** A student is referred to the Learning Lab by a parent or teacher. This referral should be directed to the Learning Lab Coordinator for initial review.
- **Referral Conference:** A conference is held to discuss initial screening tests, work samples, classroom observations, and intervention strategies. In addition to the Learning Lab Coordinator, conference members may include the regular classroom teacher, Guidance Counselor, principal, parent, and/or the student.
- **Evaluation Conference:** Testing and/or observation results are discussed. If the student qualifies for services, an Accommodation/Modification Plan is developed and the level of service(s) required to implement it is agreed upon.
- **Program Implementation:** The Accommodation/Modification Plan is distributed to the student's teachers for implementation.