

LIFE GROUP/EDGEWOOD CLASSROOM PARTNERSHIP

This is a great opportunity for life groups, teachers, and students to be in partnership together! We want each partnership to be somewhat organic – growing out of the needs of the classroom and the personality of the life group. However, we do have some suggestions on ways to get started! And, of course, teachers will communicate with their life group about needs they have.

IDEAS TO HELP YOU DREAM AND PLAN

- Pray For Teachers, Students, and Staff
- Provide specific needs of a student (clothes, food, etc.)
- Provide supplies for a class project, celebration, or snacks
- Classroom Pen Pals
- Volunteers/Reading Buddies (dependent on COVID restrictions)
- Invite Teacher to Life Group meetings or Riverside Service
- Participate in special events that occur throughout the school year
- Assist in tutoring or homework (dependent on COVID restrictions)
- Host one monthly teacher appreciation meeting
- Support Edgewood School throughout the school year's events with “in person” participation to encourage the teachers and children

GUIDELINES FOR PARTNERSHIP

- Please allow 24 to 48 hours for teachers to respond to you when you reach out.
- Check your junk email if you haven't heard back from them.
- The teachers have been given instructions to not give out too much of the children's personal information. So if you are able to be in the classroom, please be mindful to not share personal info that you learn about the children.
- The above descriptions of a classroom sponsor are some suggestions, but the teachers will communicate individually with the Life Group Leader their specific needs. We want you to form relationship with the teachers and more ideas will be birthed from that!
- If you have any issues, please don't hesitate to connect with Rhonda Dahlin via email (rhonda@volunteer.riversidechurch.org). This includes if the teacher is not responding for any reason.
- Finally, as a Life Group, please begin to lift your teacher, students, and families represented up in prayer. We are praying that God will do more than we can ask or imagine for His kingdom through this partnership.

