Programs run through Elevate

While toe process of Elevate can use any sort of program that is needed, the following are commonly used *Wired Youth* programs and activities for schools:

- **Blokes and CHIC**

- **SOAR**

- **GENTS and FEM Camp**

- **Student Led Groups**

- **Seminars**

- **And more**

" *Elevate helped me to get involved with our local school where they really needed it, at a time when my youth ministry had only 5 kids. Three years on, and we now are engaged with 180 kids from school*"
Matt Moran—Youth Pastor

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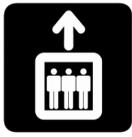
How Elevate works

The purpose of the Elevate framework is to identify what is the next best action or program to grow a stronger relationship between the school and the church. Elevate helps churches to keep this relationship growing consistently over time so that schools can see in increasing measure the unique value that churches and faith in Jesus can bring to their community.

While there is an initial investment of time and effort for Elevate to work, it grows deep roots that time and again produce remarkable fruit.

First Space
Connecting in **their space** to engage in activities that encourage **fun, friendship and challenge.** This strengthens healthy community within the school. This type of connection is often with many students.

Second Space
Connecting out creates a new and **deeper dynamic in relationships**. In a shared space, people feel freer, more relaxed and relationships develop more naturally. This type of connection typically happens with a medium group size of up to 6-30 people.

Connect Out

Connect In

Third Space
When people are encouraged to imagine, create and engage in acts of compassion, something stirs deeply in them, like a call to a deeper purpose in life. Accompanied by reflection, **community action can be powerful and life changing** for young people. This space will typically be with numbers of 1-12 students

Community Action

Fourth Space
In community interaction, **people are free to reflect on life and explore identity, belonging, and direction.** This can actually begin to happen in the First Space, but happens increasingly as mutuality and trust deepens. This type of engagement is personal, but can occur within groups.

Community Interaction

While preaching and miraculous works of the early church were significant in the growth of the early church, history strongly suggests it was the deeds of love in increasing measure that mainly resulted in Christianity growing to over 50 % of the Roman Empire by the early 4th century*.

*The Rise of Christianity
Rodney Stark

Elevate Coordinators and Teams are

- **Trained how to identify the needs** in the school and community to take the first and subsequent steps
- **Connected to the network** of other Elevate teams
- Given **on-going support and coaching** for growing the team and the Elevate work
- **Resourced with programs** and supported to implement them
- Helped in getting **grants to further grow their work**

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