

Information on the subject Christianity, religion, philosophies of life and ethics (KRLE) at Språksenteret.

Christianity, Religion, Philosophies of life and Ethics is an ordinary school subject that shall normally be attended by all pupils. The subject shall provide knowledge and comprehension and not be preaching nor teaching a certain religion or a certain view of life. For a further presentation of the specific competence aims, please contact your teacher.

Exemption from activities

If you as a parent or your child perceive parts of the education as being practice of another religion or adherence to another philosophy of life than your own, the pupil can be exempted. The pupil cannot be exempted from the subject as such but from activities within the subject.

Christianity, Religion, Philosophies of life and Ethics is an ordinary school subject that shall normally be attended by all pupils. Teaching in the subject shall not involve preaching. The teaching in Christianity, Religion, Philosophies of life and Ethics shall promote understanding, respect and the ability to carry out a dialogue between people with differing views concerning beliefs and philosophies of life. The teaching in Christianity, Religion, Philosophies of life and Ethics shall present different world religions and philosophies of life in an objective, critical and pluralistic manner. The teaching of in the different topics shall be founded on the same educational principles.

(Education Act §§ 2-3 and 2-4)

Services

The schools of Norway can carry out a service to pass on the Norwegian culture and tradition. The service cannot be a part of the subject Christianity, Religion, Philosophies of life and Ethics (KRLE). If Språksenteret carries out a service, you as a parent will be informed through the pupils' weekly review or through a specific note. However, it might be that the school visits a church or other religious buildings with learning about each other's religions as purpose, and to promote respect and understanding. The parents can provide written notification of exemption from services for their child(ren). Pupils who have reached 15 years of age shall themselves provide written notification of exemption.

Important conditions for carrying out a service

- The school shall carry out the service in cooperation and understanding with the parents and the pupils.
- Parents and pupils shall easily understand what they eventually provide exemption from.
- Parents and pupils shall be informed well ahead so that those who wish can provide exemption within a decent time-limit.
- The school shall provide non-discriminating exemption arrangements or good alternatives for those who provide exemption.
- Neither parents nor pupils need to give information on their own belief.