

Petition: 21st Century RE for All

We want every pupil to have the same entitlement to high quality, non-partisan education about worldviews. We want to see all schools preparing young people for life in modern Britain by teaching pupils about:

- The diversity of religious and non-religious worldviews.
- How people's worldviews may influence their thinking on philosophical, moral and cultural issues.
- Worldviews and rights: how the freedom to manifest religion and belief interacts with the rights of others.

Any form of confessionalism/religious instruction should be separated from this subject, and should only take place in a voluntary - non-state funded environment.

We're campaigning for legislative change to replace current laws surrounding RE with a new national entitlement for religion and belief learning. The entitlement should be determined and inspected by educationalists, and apply in all schools equally, including faith schools.

Education is a devolved issue. This petition is for the Department for Education (England) and the Welsh Cabinet Secretary for Education. Our work on reform of religion and belief education in Scotland and Northern Ireland is separate.

21st Century RE for All

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A selection of petition signatures

"I'm having to send my daughter to a school outwith our catchment because our local school's assemblies are ALL run by the free church minister. I have also been told by other parents of children coming home crying by because their families were going to 'burn in hell' for not going to the local church."

Claire

"I've already excused my children from GCSE RE because the RE teachers at my kids' school consistently set work presupposing a belief in God and invite Evangelical locals to the school to teach literal interpretations of the Bible. This has to stop."

A supporter from Burscough

"A SACRE in each authority is an inconsistent and inappropriate way of addressing the need to education about religion rather than promote a religion under the pretence of teaching religion. We have allowed evangelism to be practiced under the pretence of teaching. Religion should be studied by all as part of education but there should be no promotion of any religion in any school. It is a personal decision and for the home not the school."

A supporter from Deddington

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