

HOW CAN CATHOLIC SCHOOL SYSTEMS BEST RESPOND TO THE NEED TO PROMOTE NON-DISCRIMINATION AND TO RESPOND TO CULTURAL DIVERSITY

So as regards the need to promote non-discrimination in catholic (as well as non-catholic) school systems, my opinion is, that school should be open-handed and should treat all pupils in the same way, not according to their origins and religion. Well, it is very logical, that some muslim pupil, for example would not apply to a catholic school, but in a case that he would, the school should welcome him and also should not treat him as a different or even as a strange person. At this point teachers should start to encourage other pupils to accept the new (different) one and instead of being rude, to help him (if he has troubles with initiation in society, school subjects etc.). Anyway, because this school is catholic, this pupil should respect the catholic customs that are being held in school, but they should not make him to accept them.

Now, as regards pupils; if the leadership of a school suspected, that racist ideas and activities are present at school, my opinion is, that the pupils, which took part in these activities should be punished (reprimanded) and for more serious rule violations even expelled.

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