

APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION OF A STUDENT

Public School

SCHOOL YEAR 2011-2012

APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION FROM THE COURSE ON *ETHICS AND RELIGIOUS CULTURE* ACCORDING TO SECTION 222 al.2 OF THE *EDUCATION ACT* (R.S.Q. c. I-13.3)

In order to avoid grave injury to the child, the parent(s) apply for exemption of the child from the new course on Ethics and Religious Culture.

Name of student			
Date of birth		School year :	primary or secondary
School (Sept. 2011)			
School board :			

Name of father		Name of mother	
Address and postal code		Address and postal code	
Telephone	Home :	Telephone	Home :
	Work :		Work:
E-mail :			E-mail :

FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS :

The contents of the course and the method of instruction imposed upon our child are likely to cause serious harm, namely: 1. Loss of the right to choose an education that reflects one's own moral principles and religion; it interferes with constitutionally protected freedom of religion, conscience, and expression of the child and the parent(s) by obliging the child to take a course which does not correspond to the religious and philosophical convictions in which the parent(s) have a right and duty to educate their child. 2. Finding one's self in a learning context presided over by a teacher inadequately prepared and who has, herself or himself, been stripped of the capacity to object to teaching the course. 3. It exposes the child too soon to convictions and beliefs different from those of his (or her) parents. 4. Being exposed to a course on the phenomenon of religion which pretends to be "neutral" 5. Being exposed, in the course of this obligatory subject matter, to a philosophical position imposed by the state, i.e. the doctrine of "relativism". 6. It threatens the religious faith of the child.

	Exemption Granted <input type="checkbox"/>	Exemption Denied* <input type="checkbox"/>
	*if denied, please inform the parents of the grounds on which the decision was made	
Signature of the parent(s) or guardian(s)	Signature of the authorized member of the School board	
Date :	Date :	

Steps to follow : 1- The parent completes and signs the application for exemption; 2- The parent gives the original copy to the Principal of the school but must keep a copy; 3- The School Board answers the parent: - if the exemption is allowed, the school will plan another activity for the child during this period; - if the exemption is refused, the School Board must justify its refusal in writing; 4- In case of a refusal, the parent should present a "Request to reconsider" to the Council of Commissioners (the Request application is available on the site of the CLÉ): www.coalition-cle.org 5- If the refusal is maintained by Council of Commissioners, the parent informs the CLÉ: an appeal will be made to the Superior Court.

If possible, send by fax: the filled application form (step 2); the answer of the School Board (step 3); the answer of the Council of Commissioners (step 4) to:

Coalition pour la Liberté en Éducation (CLÉ), 2700, boul. Laurier C.P. 31064, Québec (Qc) J1V 2L8

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