

The ACT Government Education Act 2004 – Section 29

Section 29 of the ACT Government Education Act 2004 (the Act) provides for the teaching of religious education in government schools.

29 *Religious education*

- (1) *If parents of children at a government school ask the principal for their children to receive religious education in a particular religion, the principal must ensure that reasonable time is allowed for their children's religious education in that religion.*
- (2) *The principal must ensure that the educational program continues for students at the school not attending religious education.*
- (3) *Religious education must be authorised by the religious body to which the person providing the instruction belongs.*
- (4) *Students attending a religious education class at a government school must be separated from other students at the school while the class is held.*
- (5) *In this section: **religious education** means education in a particular religion as distinct from the study of different religions.*

<http://www.legislation.act.gov.au/a/2004-17/current/pdf/2004-17.pdf>