



Vouchers fund discrimination.

Public schools in Illinois can't discriminate on the basis of disability status, gender identity, sexual orientation, language, pregnancy or parenting status, immigration status, or religion. **But under the Invest in Kids voucher program, public dollars are going to private schools in Illinois, many of which discriminate against students in all these protected categories.** Public dollars should be for public schools—schools that serve *all* children and families.

For more examples and sources, see: bit.ly/vouchers_fund_discrimination



Disability

Accommodations:
If individual support for a student is deemed necessary by an outside consultant or the Arie Crown Administration, it may need to be provided at the family's expense. (i.e. a shadow, outside/in-school tutoring).

Arie Crown Hebrew Day School,
Skokie IL - Parent Handbook

Immigration Status

Students must possess the maturity and work ethic necessary to be successful in an office environment working with adults. All students must also be able to present legal verification of their citizenship or residence and either have or be able to obtain a social security number.

Christ the King Jesuit College Prep,
Chicago IL - FAQs

Pregnancy Status

RIGHT TO LIFE
Schools shall uphold the teachings and disciplines of the Roman Catholic Church concerning the dignity of human life and the right of the unborn child. Compromise of these doctrines, by word or deed, may be cause for immediate expulsion.

Abortion
Students who are known to have procured an abortion, or participated directly in such a decision, may be required to withdraw from school.

Diocese of Peoria (39 schools)
School Policies, Policy D-149

LGBTQ+

For the safety and well-being of our students and employees, students and/or employees with a life-threatening communicable disease may not attend or work at SMCA. Decisions regarding attendance or employment will take into account multiple medical professionals with expertise in the disease. As a Bible-based educational institution, SMCA adheres to the Biblical teaching that homosexuality is not an acceptable lifestyle. SMCA does not employ teachers or accept students who are homosexual or bi-sexual.

STUDYS Christian Academy,
Lindenhurst IL - Parent/Student Handbook

Religion

"In order to maintain our unity in Christ, our admissions policy requires that at least one parent of every family would be in agreement with our Statement of Faith and acknowledge himself/herself to be a believer in Jesus Christ. Our Admissions policy also requires that each family regularly attends or is a member of a local church whose doctrine is in agreement with our Statement of Faith....] Our hallmark at Christian Heritage Academy is the biblical integration that teachers bring into each subject area, helping students develop a biblical worldview as well as strong skills in critical thinking, research, effective writing, speaking and rhetoric."

Christian Heritage Academy,
Northfield IL - Parent-Student Handbook

LGBTQ+

1. All students and their parents will be addressed and referred to with pronouns in accord with their biological sex;
2. All school correspondence, documents, and records will reflect the student or parent's biological sex;
3. Students will participate in competitive athletics in accord with their biological sex;
4. Catholic schools will not allow, or otherwise cooperate in, the administration of puberty-blocking or cross-sex hormones on school property;
5. All students will use bathrooms and locker rooms that correspond with their biological sex. Students who have been clinically diagnosed with gender dysphoria, however, may request the use of a single-person, unisex facility. Such requests will be assessed on an individual basis by the appropriate school administrator.

Diocese of Springfield (30 schools) - Pastoral Guide Regarding Policy §650 Gender Identity

Parenting Status

STUDENTS WHO HAVE CHILDREN (MD 5138)
According to the teachings of the Catholic Church and Mater Dei, pre-marital sex is morally wrong. In addition, a young mother and father's first responsibility is their newborn child, in regard to care, love, and financial support. Moreover, during the child's first year, the mother and father need to spend the time normally spent on extracurricular activities with the child. For these reasons, a student who becomes a mother or a father shall not be permitted to participate in extracurricular activities until, at minimum, the child's first birthday.

Mater Dei Catholic High School, Breese IL - Student Handbook

Disability

All new and transfer students are accepted on a probationary period of 90 school days. During this probationary period, students are expected to maintain passing grades, have no major disciplinary issues or require accommodations that the school physically or financially is incapable of supporting. Students with special learning needs may be accepted if the school has the staff and ability to make the necessary accommodations for the child's academic growth and success [...] St. Stanislaus Kostka Academy will do its best using all available resources to provide programs for students with special needs. If a student's needs exceed our capabilities, St. Stan's will make every effort to assist parents in finding an appropriate school to meet those special needs. [...] Catholic schools are not legally obligated to implement all services recommended on an IEP.

St. Stanislaus Kostka Academy, Chicago IL - Parent and Student Handbook

Language/National Origin

We speak Spanish at home. Will my child have a hard time adjusting to classes at St. Gall?

Though many of our students are blessed to be bilingual, all classes at St. Gall are conducted in English. All correspondence with parents or guardians is sent home in both English and Spanish. Students are encouraged to speak English during the school day, but are not prohibited from speaking in another language.

St. Gall School, Chicago IL
FAQs

Pregnancy Status

"Students who become pregnant may remain in school until the time that is most reasonable in the judgment of the girl's physician, parents and the administration of the school. The administration may admit the student back to Gibault if the student's attitude and behavior regarding the pregnancy are consistent with Catholic principles.

Gibault Catholic High School, Waterloo IL - Student/Parent Handbook

Marital Status

"Students must live with legal guardians/parents in order to be a student at Althoff Catholic. This precludes students being married while at ACHS."

Althoff Catholic High School, Belleville IL
Student/Parent Handbook