PRIVATE SCHOOLS IN UKRAINE: STATUS AND CHALLENGES

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The Structure of Schooling

- •There is well-developed educational infrastructure in Ukraine: preschool, primary, secondary, high and postgraduate education.
- Primary school includes 4 years of studying.
- •Secondary education comprises the modified 5 years basic school. The first and the second stages form the formal basic nine-year education. Basic school-leaving certificate gives to 14-15 years old teenagers the right to continue schooling both at the high secondary school and at the higher education institutions of the I-II accreditation levels.
- •The third stage lasts for two years in general education institutions and in the system of professional training.

The Legal Framework

- •The Constitution of Ukraine guarantees the right to obtain general secondary education free-of-charge in all state educational institutions for all (Article 53).
- •11 years of schooling is compulsory.
- •The Law on General Secondary Education (Article 10) states: "According to their organizational and legal forms, secondary educational institutions can be of state, municipal and private ownership".
- •BUT we have no private education legislation in Ukraine!

The Legal Framework (2)

- •The Ukrainian State cannot guarantee accessibility and free education in private secondary schools, because they were founded as the private entities.
- •Children from low-income families have no possibility to study in private schools because it requires payment. If parents wish, such children can attend boarding schools that are state (public) and can be located outside the region where they live.

Private Schooling in Ukraine

- •The first private schools in Ukraine were founded in 1991.
- •All private schools meet all the state requirements and standards and issue the same diploma or certificates as in public schools.
- •More than 4,221,909 students attend 19,672 schools in Ukraine.
- •Private sector in secondary education is insignificant. Totally, there are 205 private schools (that is 1% of all the amount of schools).
- •Private schools enroll approximately 0,5 percent or students of age group of 6-17 year olds.
- •Teacher students ratio in public schools is 1:8, while in private schools it is 1:4.

Church and School in Ukraine

- •In Ukraine the Church is separated from the State that is why the school, controlled by state bodies, is a secular institution. From the time of Declaration of Independence of Ukraine atheism is not considered any more as a state priority in education of pupils.
- •In private schools subject religious education is taught quite often, and in public schools this subject can be taught at parents' request, but only in after-school time. Neither state nor local budget are used for financing of religious education.
- •According to Ukrainian legislation the Church has no right to be the founder of private schools. So Churches found their schools through private persons.
- •Nowadays in Ukraine there are: 12 Greek-Catholic Schools; 5 Orthodox Schools and 5 Protestant Schools.



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