

Section B. 22.1-2572. **RELIGIOUS EXEMPTION**

*The Virginia Code provides that the School Board:  
"Shall excuse from attendance at school any pupil who, together with this parents of bona fide religious training or belief, is conscientiously opposed to attendance at school."*

1. Please identify the local church or organization, if any, which embodies the religious training or beliefs that you hold:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(Address)  
(\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone Number Alternate Telephone Number

2. A. Are you an enrolled member of that organization:

Pupil:  Yes  No  
Parent/Guardian:  Yes  No

B. Length of association or affiliation with that organization or adherence to the beliefs:

Pupil: \_\_\_\_\_ years \_\_\_\_\_ months

3. Please state specifically why attendance at a private, denominational, or parochial school; instruction by a tutor or teacher of qualifications prescribed by the State Board of Education and approved by the superintendent; and provision of home instruction pursuant to Section 22.1-257.2 would conflict with the tenets and beliefs of your religion:  
Pupil (for those 12 years of age and older):

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

4. Please state specifically the element(s) of the public school curriculum or practices that are in conflict with the beliefs and tenets of your religion: (Attach pertinent portions of documents, if any, which serve as the written basis or support for the conflict in training or belief.)  
Pupil (for those 12 years of age and older):

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian:  
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(NOTE): In providing the information requested in the above section, you may attach additional sheets to this form if necessary.)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature Date

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Pupil (if 12 years of age or older) signature Date