

ACSI Statement on Cultural Sexual Issues

First and foremost, we affirm that *every human person* is created in the image of God, and so deserves to be treated with dignity, respect, compassion, and justice. We affirm historic, orthodox Christian belief and teachings: that God created each person male or female. (Genesis 1:27); and that sexuality is a gift from God to be expressed exclusively in marriage between a man and a woman.

Proof points

All ACSI member schools sign a Statement of Faith that includes the recognition that God intended sexual intimacy to be expressed only within marriage, which is an exclusive union between a man and a woman and asks all followers to abstain from any sexual activities outside of a one-man, one-woman marital relationship (https://www.acsi.org/membership/join-acsi/form).

ACSI created in 2023 a globally informed document by a team of fifteen leaders from ten nations to help Christian schools and school associations around the world discern appropriate policies related to human sexuality and culture, ACSI's <u>Guiding Principles on Biblical Sexuality</u> is designed to be Christian and thus transcends any particular culture.