

Some Differences Between Private and Public Homeschooling ***From a Christian Perspective***

Public money cannot be used in any religious school and religious instruction is prohibited by the California Constitution². [Article IX, Section 8](#) states:

Text of Section 8:

No public money shall ever be appropriated for the support of any sectarian or denominational school, or any school not under the exclusive control of the officers of the public schools; nor shall any sectarian or denominational doctrine be taught, or instruction thereon be permitted, directly or indirectly, in any of the common schools of this State.^[1]

This means that:

1. No public money can be used for the support of any Christian school
2. All virtual public charter school home schools are under the exclusive control of the officers of the public schools
3. No Christian doctrine can be taught
4. No Christian instruction can be given, directly or indirectly

The following articles are highly recommended to help you understand the differences between private and public homeschooling from these Christian homeschool advocacy groups:

- [“Charter Schools and Public School ISPs: Promise or Hidden Threat”](#)³ (CHEA)
- [“The Problem with Home-Based Charter Schools: HSLDA’s Position in the the Charter School Debate”](#) (HSLDA)
- [“Charter Schools”](#)⁵ (FPM)
- [“Public School at Home”](#)⁶ (HSLDA)