

Parents Pull Son From Class After This Islamic Teaching

There is a huge difference between teaching students the history of a religion and teaching the tenets of that particular faith.

Two Los Angeles-area parents say their son's middle school crossed that line in lessons on Islam. After the principal refused to change the lessons, the parents pulled their young son out of the class.

The unidentified parents say they took their son out of the class after the principal responded to their complaint by saying that the school would make no changes to the curriculum, according to a report from KTLA television in Los Angeles.

The parents said they would not object to their son learning the history of Islam—although even that should be a watered-down “Islam-lite” version of the faith that ignores the deaths of hundreds of millions accused of apostasy or blasphemy and in wars of conquest waged by the followers of Muhammad over the past 1,400 years, according to a similar report on .

“The audacity of this school, to think that they can sit these children down and teach them whatever religion they please,” the father told KTLA. “It’s preposterous. This is illegal, basically. You can’t teach religion in schools any more, but apparently, in this particular school, at least, that’s not the case.”

One question assigned to the boy asked him to write teachings from the Quran.

“What I saw written in these bubbles was, ‘The one true God, Allah’ in one of the bubbles,” the father told reporters in

describing the assignment. "In one of the other bubbles was 'All people must submit to Allah,' in another bubble. Then I turned the page over and I see the five pillars of Islam."

"Can you imagine the outcry all over this country if children were bringing home paperwork that asked them to write down John 3:16 or asked them to write down the 10 Commandments?" the father asked rhetorically.

"And if it ended with the declaration of the faith, Jesus Christ is my Lord and Savior?" added the mother. That's what the equivalent, I mean, part of us, for our son? We'd be happy about that."

"But some parents may not be," added the dad.

The parents assert that the students should be taught the history behind the religions—whether it is Christianity, Judaism, Buddhism or others, but not the tenets of any particular faith.