



Tolerance against minorities is based on intercultural education

Innovative, playful methods at the Valeria Koch School Centre in Pécs

**“For two hundred years you have been searching for clear traces on earth in order not to spoil.”
(Valeria Koch)**

It is the task of an educational institution to implement the contents of documents which have been agreed upon into practice; besides fields of responsibilities and obligations, these documents impart an ethical order of values. As a nationality high school, it is our first task to educate our pupils in a tolerant and open manner towards other nationalities and ethnic groups, and to direct their interest towards following political events. Therefore, essential information about the minority law and the present

minority politics are required. These deliberations led us to become affiliated with the CCLL project in the frame of a school project; besides education in the political sector, we create the point of departure with the example of the nationalities living in Hungary and we guarantee the view towards Europe.

In the course of projects, pupils shall acquire information in a truly unique manner, so that these information stick easier and more intensively and so that the pupils can apply them in their future life. Therefore, we decided that playful, innovative task formulations deal with essential areas of the lives of minorities, and that the pupils present the results created in

this manner to each other as well as to a larger audience in an eventful manner. This is how concise descriptions (posters) and wall calendars 2011 of the thirteen national and ethnic minorities living in Hungary are developed on the part of the students. Additionally, past, present and future shall be experienced with all senses: film, music, exhibition of traditional clothes, song and theater serve as motivation.

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