



R U Legal?

This fact sheet is about Legal Aid WA's R U Legal? community legal education program.

What is R U Legal?

R U Legal? is a program of free community legal education sessions and resources developed by Legal Aid WA.

The program is for young people aged between 10 and 18, parents and teachers, and aims to empower them with practical information about the laws affecting young people.

We run sessions at primary schools, high schools and community groups across WA.

What do you talk about in the CLE sessions?

R U Legal? sessions are presented from a criminal lawyer's perspective and use real life examples to demonstrate legal consequences to young people.

The R U Legal? program includes sessions on:

- » Cyber bullying and identity theft,
- » School fights and filming of fights,
- » Sexting and image based abuse,
- » Sex and consent, and
- » Leavers and parties.

We tailor the topics covered in student sessions to the age and needs of the young people attending.

All of our student sessions also include general information about:

- » The role of Legal Aid WA in the community,
- » The age of criminal responsibility,
- » Common ways that young people get into trouble,
- » Consequences of breaking the law,
- » Rights when dealing with the police, and
- » Where to get help.

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How long do the sessions go for?

R U Legal? student sessions usually go for approximately one hour or one school period.

We can present to whole year groups in one session or to smaller class size groups.

What about your parent sessions?

Our parent sessions go over the key messages covered in our R U Legal? Program.

They can be delivered as stand alone sessions, but we find they are of most benefit when run in addition to the student sessions.

This supports parents to continue the discussions we have started with their children and answer any questions they may have.

Parent sessions are usually presented during the last period of the school day or immediately following the end of the school day.

Students are welcome and encouraged to attend with their parents.

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Parent sessions provide information about the laws affecting young people and empower parents to discuss these issues with their children.

How can you book a free R U Legal? session?

You can book your free R U Legal? session by using the booking form on the R U Legal? page (which can be found under the purple **RESOURCES** tab) or by emailing cle@legalaid.wa.gov.au.