



22-10-2025 1st Student Festival “I Care. A personal stance towards people and society as a means of preventing violence”

In the context of the Memorandum of Cooperation between the Ecumenical Forum of European Christian Women “Damaris the Athenian,” the “Initiative for the Prevention of Domestic Violence” of the Youth and Family Foundation of the Holy Archdiocese of Athens, and the General Secretariat for Religious Affairs of the Ministry of Education, Religious Affairs and Sports, the 1st Student Festival entitled “I Care. A personal stance towards people and society as a means of preventing violence” was held on Saturday, October 18, 2025, at the premises of the Ursuline Greek-French elementary school.

224 students from 22 Primary and Secondary Education schools in Attica participated in the Student Festival, presenting visual artworks, digital posters, theatrical performances, dances, songs, videos, podcasts, essays, and poems inspired by the shared vision of a society free from violence, while six workshops on painting, collage, literature, crafts, and theatrical play were also held.

As part of a broader awareness-raising and information initiative, the co-organizers aim to strengthen child prevention and protection, as well as to effectively address child abuse, both by adults and among minors. At the same time, the initiative seeks to promote attitudes of respect, protection, and solidarity towards children and young people, reinforcing the vision of a society that safeguards their rights and offers them a safe and supportive environment to grow and thrive.

The General Secretariat for Religious Affairs extends its warmest congratulations to the students who participated in the Student Festival, recognizing their effort, creativity, and sensitivity. Congratulations are also extended to the teachers for their valuable guidance and

support, as well as to the parents and guardians for encouraging and supporting their children's active participation in initiatives that promote respect and social awareness. Special thanks are also due to the workshop facilitators for their significant contribution to the success of the Student Festival.

