

CEREMONIES AND OBSERVANCES ***(Flag Displays)***

The United States flag shall be flown during school hours each day of the year.

- ▶ It will be lowered to half staff until noon on Memorial Day unless school is not in session.
- ▶ It will be lowered to half staff on other memorial occasions as recommended by the federal or state government, or as determined by the school district. All possible efforts will be made to comply with United States flag display protocol.
- ▶ It will not be flown in inclement weather unless it is an all-weather flag.
- ▶ It will only be flown between the hours of sunrise and sunset unless the display area is lighted.

The flag will be handled with proper respect at all times.

- ▶ It will be raised quickly and lowered ceremoniously.
- ▶ It will be stored properly to prevent damage.
- ▶ It will not be allowed to touch the ground.
- ▶ A flag used in a procession will be on the right and raised higher than other flags in the procession.
- ▶ A flag which is not in the proper condition for display will be destroyed in a dignified way.

Each school site may implement a program of instruction concerning flag etiquette which will include, but not be limited to:

- ▶ Times and occasions for flag display.
- ▶ Proper position and manner of display.
- ▶ Conduct to be used during handling.
- ▶ Showing proper respect for the flag, including personal displays of respect and prohibited uses.

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Note: The reader is encouraged to review policies and/or forms for related information in this administrative area.

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