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Patriotic Exercises

The Board of Education believes one's appreciation of country is promoted by the ceremonies and observances held in the schools and that the United States flag is a symbol of our democratic heritage, ideals and freedom. The Board believes saluting the flag and reciting daily the Pledge of Allegiance helps students learn and reinforce these principles.

Therefore, each school shall provide an opportunity each school day for students to recite the Pledge of Allegiance. Any person not wishing to participate in the recitation of the Pledge for any reason shall be exempt and need not participate.

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LEGAL REFS.: C.R.S. <u>22-1-106</u> (daily recitation of the Pledge)

C.R.S. <u>22-1-107</u> (duty of teachers to instruct students in the proper respect of the flag)