



INSTRUCTION: Schedules

Patriotic Exercises

I. Policy Statement

The Board of Education of Baltimore County (Board) is committed to honoring the flag of the United States of America by conducting opening and patriotic exercises in every Baltimore County public school.

II. Standards

- A. Provisions shall be made for the display of the flag of the United States of America on the site of each school, office or other installation of the Board and for the display of said flag in each classroom of every Baltimore County public school.
- B. The Superintendent shall establish procedures for the proper custody, care and display of the flag.
- C. Each classroom shall have a program at the beginning of each day of classes providing for appropriate patriotic exercises that include the daily recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. Any student or staff member who wishes to be excused from participation in any program permitted under this subparagraph shall be excused.

III. Implementation

The Board directs the Superintendent to implement this policy.

Legal Reference: *Annotated Code of Maryland*, Education Article §7-105, *Patriotic Exercises*

Related Policies: Board of Education Policy 5600, *Students' Responsibilities and Rights*

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