

School Ceremonies and Observances

The Board directs that the school administration provide students and staff with appropriate direction and guidance regarding school ceremonies and observances.

United States Flag

The American Flag shall be raised above Bethany Community School during all school sessions, weather permitting. The Flag shall be raised before the opening of school and taken down at its close every day.

The American Flag shall be displayed in each classroom each day school is in session.

The Pledge of Allegiance

In accordance with state law, the Board of Education shall ensure that a period of time is set aside each school day to allow those students who wish to do so the opportunity to recite the Pledge of Allegiance. This policy shall not be construed to require any person to recite the Pledge of Allegiance, should he/she choose not to do so.

Silent Meditation

The Board directs that the school administration shall provide for students and staff the opportunity to observe an appropriate period of time for silent meditation at the beginning of each school day.

Legal References: Connecticut General Statutes § 10-16a
 Connecticut General Statutes § 10-230
 No Child Left Behind Act of 2001

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