

Board Policy: #6115

Section: 6000 Instruction

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CEREMONIES AND OBSERVANCES

The Board of Education recognizes the importance of having students join together to celebrate events of cultural or historical significance or to acknowledge the contributions of outstanding individuals. Besides helping students to appreciate their pluralistic heritage, holidays, ceremonies and observances can enhance their sense of community, instill pride in our country, and contribute to a positive school climate.

(cf. 6111 - School Calendar)

(cf. 6141.2 – Recognition of Religious Beliefs and Customs)

(cf. 6141.6 - Multicultural Education)

(cf. 6142.3 – Civic Education)

(cf. 6142.4 – Learning Through Community Service)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

37220-37223 Saturdays and holidays

44015.1 Week of the school administrator

45203 Paid holidays

45460 Classified employee week

52720 Daily performance of patriotic exercises in public schools

52730 Patriotic exercises, daily instruction

GOVERNMENT CODE

430-439 Display of flags

3540-3549.3 Meeting and negotiating

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 4

6 Time and occasion for display of flag

7 Position and manner of display of flag

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 36

106 Note Constitution Day and Citizenship Day

COURT DECISIONS

West Virginia State Board of Education et al v. Barnette et al., 319 U.S. 624 (1943)

Management Resources:

CSBA PUBLICATIONS

Constitution Day: New Mandate for Districts Receiving Federal Funds, CSBA Advisory, August 2005

FEDERAL REGISTER

70 Fed. Reg. 29727 Consitution Day and Citizenship Day (2005)

WEB SITES

CDE: http://www.cde.ca.gov CSBA: http://www.csba.org

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