

SALEM SCHOOL SYSTEM
Salem, Connecticut

INSTRUCTION

SCHOOL CEREMONIES AND OBSERVANCES

Silent Meditation:

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

Pledge of Allegiance:

The Board further directs that the Pledge of Allegiance shall be recited in the morning on each school day.

If, because of some personal philosophy or belief, a student's parent/guardian has made the decision that their child/children are not to recite the "Pledge", the child/children may choose to remain silent, upon receipt of a note by the teacher of each child. A new notice from the parent/guardian will be required at the beginning of each school year.

Legal References:

Connecticut General Statutes: 10-16a Silent meditation. 10-29a Certain days to be proclaimed by governor. Distribution and number of proclamations. 10-230 Flags for schoolrooms and schools.

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