

8820 OPENING EXERCISES

The morning exercises will include the pledge of allegiance. Those pupils whose parent(s) or legal guardian(s) have provided a written statement of their religious or conscientious objections to such ceremonies may be excused from active participation and shall maintain a respectful attitude during the conduct of the exercises.

Appropriate exercises shall be held in school on the day preceding patriotic holidays established by law.

Assembly programs are considered an integral and necessary part of the school's curriculum. Pupils will be encouraged to cooperate with assembly guidelines and take part in the educational and entertainment atmosphere of the programs.

Holidays and special events may be recognized in the school so long as such recognition respects the rights and feelings of others and is consistent with law.

Songs and customs which have come to us from various elements of our national population may be used to broaden our pupils' awareness of the many elements that make up our American culture.

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