

Instruction

Assemblies and Ceremonies

Assemblies must be approved by the Building Principal and be consistent with the District's educational objectives.

While the District respects an individual's belief, quiet, personal religious observance(s), it shall not endorse or otherwise promote invocations, benedictions, and group prayers at any school assembly, ceremony, or other school-sponsored activity.

LEGAL REF.: Lee v. Weisman, 505 U.S. 577 (1992).
Santa Fe Independent Sch. Dist. v. Doe, 530 U.S.290 (2000).
Kennedy v. Bremerton Sch. Dist., 142 S.Ct. 2407 (2022).
Jones v. Clear Creek Independent School Dist., 930 F.2d 416 (5th Cir. 1991), *cert. granted, judgement vacated* 505 U.S. 121 (1992), *remand*, 977 F.2d 963, *reh'g denied*, 983 F. 2d 234 (5th Cir., 1992), and *cert. denied*, 508 U.S. 967 (1993).

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