HEWLETT-WOODMERE UFSD **Policy 4821.2**

( ) Required
(X) Local
( ) Notice

OBSERVANCE OF DAYS OF SPECIAL SIGNIFICANCE

The Board of Education recognizes the value of days or events of national or local significance, during which school may be in session, can form important influences on students' lives and are therefore often worthy of recognition as educational experiences to be included in the school program. When these days or events occur, it may be deemed proper to alter the daily schedule in such a fashion as to focus the attention of the student body upon the significance of the occasion with the purpose of increasing the relevancy of the school's instructional program.

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3/9/72

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Criteria

The events or days shall be of national or local significance, and shall be of interest to most students. Such events or days should relate to items of current sociological, political, historical, or environmental importance.

Procedures

1. Suggestions for programs may be initiated by students, faculty or administrators and planned cooperatively by all of these groups.

2. Plans should be submitted to and approved by the principal. The principal will ordinarily consult with faculty and student representatives before making his/her decision.

3. Plans should be related to and intellectually attuned to the educational aims of the school.

4. Initiation of the program should occur sufficiently in advance of the date of observance so as to allow for the preparation of the most meaningful program possible with the most efficient use of time.

Methods of Observance

1. Observance may be made by including the planned program within the regular instructional program. These activities may be pursued in selected classes or in all classes.

2. Assembly program(s) directly related to the specific occasion may be held during, before, or after regular school hours.

3. Where appropriate, responsible individuals or groups other than students or staff members may also be invited to participate in the approved programs.

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