

Instruction

CEREMONIES AND OBSERVANCES

Patriotic Exercises

The Pledge of Allegiance shall be recited or patriotic exercises conducted at the beginning of each school day. No student may be compelled against his/her will to participate in such exercises.

Special Days and Events

The District shall commemorate the following special days and events as part of the school program on the days designated below:

U.S. Constitution Day
Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day
Lincoln's Birthday
Susan B. Anthony Day
George Washington's Birthday
Black American Day
Conservation, Bird and Arbor Day
Day of the Teacher
Classified Employee Week

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE
37220-37223 Saturdays and holidays
45203 Paid holidays
45460 Classified employee week
52720 Daily performance of patriotic exercises in public schools
Board of Education v. Barnette, 319 U.S. 624
Banks v. Board of Public Instruction, 314 F. Supp. 285
Hanover v. Northrup, 325 F. Supp. 170