IMDA – PATRIOTIC EXERCISES

Category: Recommended

Constitution and Citizenship Day.
In accordance with federal law, the District may offer an education program(s) each year on Constitution Day and Citizenship Day to commemorate the September 17, 1787 signing of the United States Constitution and recognize all who, by coming of age or by naturalization, have become citizens. The Superintendent or his/her designee may establish administrative guidelines ensuring that the District observes Constitution Day and Citizenship Day properly and in a manner befitting the importance of the event.

During the weeks of Memorial Day and Veterans Day, the District will devote time for exercises of a patriotic nature, including a discussion of the words, meaning, and history of the Pledge of Allegiance and the Star Spangled Banner.

Pledge of Allegiance.
Every school shall establish a period of time during each school day for the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance. Pupil participation shall be voluntary. Pupils who do not participate in the recitation may sit or stand as they choose, but shall respect the rights of those pupils electing to participate.

General John Stark Day.
New Hampshire observes General John Stark day on the second Monday in April. Schools in the District may commemorate the day with appropriate educational activities.

Legal References:
RSA 4:13-l, General John Stark Day RSA 189:18, Patriotic Exercises
RSA 194:15-c, New Hampshire School Patriot Act

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