

Display of the Flag

The Board of Education believes that the flag of the United States is a symbol of the values of our nation and the ideals embedded in our Constitution and inspires the spirit of patriotism throughout the school district.

A United States flag shall be displayed in front of the school building every day that school is in session and at such times as the Superintendent of Schools shall direct. There shall be a flag on display in the auditorium of the building. It should stand to the right of the speaker as he/she faces the audience.

Unless otherwise directed, the flag shall be flown at full-staff or half-staff as pursuant to law. The flag may also be displayed at night upon special occasions, at the discretion of the Superintendent, when it is desired to produce a patriotic effect.

Flags shall be flown at half-staff on days commemorating the death of a personage of great importance, and on days designated by the President or the Governor. In addition, the flags may be flown at half-staff to commemorate the death of a present or former Board member, present employee, teacher, and/or student.

The flag will not be displayed on days when the weather is inclement.

The flag shall be hoisted briskly and lowered ceremoniously. In half-staffing the flag, it should be hoisted to the peak for an instant and then lowered to the half-staff position. The flag shall be again raised to the peak prior to being lowered for the day.

Consistent with national and state law and regulations and this policy, the Superintendent of Schools shall develop rules and regulations for the proper custody, care and display of the flag.

Ref: Education Law 418; 419; 420; 802
Executive Law, Article 19
8 NYCRR Part 108