



Procedure 209

Religious and Patriotic Exercises

Background

Religious and patriotic exercises are an important educational component in some school programs in specific communities.

Procedures

1. Religious and patriotic exercises must be approved by the Local School Board Committee prior to their introduction into the school.
2. Parents may request in writing that their child be excused from participating in any of the activities.
3. Students who have been excused from religious instruction classes must be under the direct supervision of a teacher and receiving instruction.
4. A Remembrance Day ceremony or the observation of two minutes of silence shall occur at 11:00 a.m. on Remembrance Day or the school day immediately preceding Remembrance Day. All activities must comply with the requirements of the *Remembrance Day Act, RSA 2000, Chapter R – 16*.