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Section 4000 Instruction

Title DISPLAY OF THE FLAG REGULATION

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NOTE: A regulation in this area is required by the state Education Law and Regulations of the Commissioner of Education. While the flag must be flown on the holidays listed below even if school is not open to the public, that provision of law is only applicable to the main administration building. Flags must only be flown when the weather permits.

Flags Displayed Out-of-Doors and on Movable Hoists Indoors

A United States flag shall be displayed in, on or near every school building in the district during school hours every day that school is in session, weather permitting, and at such other times as the Superintendent of Schools shall direct. Unless otherwise stated, the flags shall be flown at full-staff. The flags may also be displayed at night upon special occasions, at the discretion of the Superintendent, when it is desired to produce a patriotic effect. During inclement weather, the flag shall be placed conspicuously in the main room of the school building.

NOTE: The following paragraph reflects the list of holidays enumerated in Executive Law §403 for which the flag must be flown at the district's main administration building, regardless of whether the building is open to the public. Although Juneteenth is a recognized federal and state holiday, it is not included on this list in the law.

Weather permitting, the flag will be displayed on or near the main administration building of the district whenever the building is open to the public, and on the following days: New Year's Day, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, Lincoln's Birthday, Washington's Birthday, Memorial Day, Flag Day, the Fourth of July, Labor Day, September 11th Remembrance Day, POW/MIA Recognition Day, Columbus Day, Veterans Day, Thanksgiving Day, Pearl Harbor Day and Christmas Day. If any of these days (except Flag Day) falls on a Sunday, the flag shall be displayed on the next day. In addition, the flag shall be displayed on each general election day and each day appointed by the President of the United States or by the Governor of New York as a day of general thanksgiving or for displaying the flag.

Flags shall also be displayed in or near every polling place on election days.

Flags shall be flown at half-staff on Pearl Harbor Day, on September 11th Remembrance Day, on days commemorating the death of a personage of great importance, and on days designated by the President or the Governor.

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

Hoisting of the Flag

The flag shall be hoisted briskly and lowered ceremoniously.

In half staffing the flag, it first 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 before it is lowered for the day. The flag shall never be put at half mast in the middle of the day. It must be put at half mast in the morning only.

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Indoor Flags and Those Not on Movable Hoists

There shall be a United States flag in each assembly room of every school in the district. It is the duty of the teacher or other person in charge of each assembly room to ensure that the flag in the room is displayed from a staff standing at the audience's right as they face the stage. If the flag is placed on the platform, it should stand at the right of the speaker as he/she faces the audience and at the audience's left as they face the stage.

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