FLAG DISPLAY AND PLEDGE

I. The pledge of allegiance to the flag shall be recited at the beginning of each school day in all Sarasota County Schools.

II. The Student Handbook that is distributed to all students shall contain written notification that the student has the right not to participate in reciting the pledge of allegiance. A student may be excused from instruction and/or reciting the pledge of allegiance, including standing and placing the right hand over his/her heart, when his/her parent(s), as defined by Florida Statutes, files a written request with the school principal.

III. The United States flag and the official flag of Florida shall be displayed daily on a suitable flagstaff on the grounds of each school and school board facility when the weather permits. Flags shall be displayed according to United States Code and state guidelines.

IV. Each classroom and auditorium shall display the United States flag.

V. All flags shall meet the requirements of Florida Statutes.

VI. Each school and building used by the District shall display the state motto "In God We Trust" in a conspicuous place.

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