

# OAK PARK UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD POLICY

*Series 6000*

*Instruction*

*BP 6115( 1 )*

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## Ceremonies and Observances

The Governing Board recognizes the importance of having students observe holidays, celebrate events of cultural, historical, or present day significance, and acknowledge the contributions of outstanding individuals in society. On days designated by the Board, and as required by law, staff shall provide students with appropriate commemorative exercises and educational experiences so that they may acquire the knowledge, skills, and principles essential for informed, responsible citizenship in a democratic society.

District schools shall be closed on the holidays specified in Education Code 37220 and on any other day designated as a holiday by the Board. The Board may, by adoption of a resolution, revise the date upon which schools close in observance of any holiday except Veterans Day, which shall be celebrated on its actual date. (Education Code 37220)

In addition, the Board may, through the adoption of a resolution, authorize the display of symbolic flags or banners in support of specific awareness months.

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### **Policy Reference:**

#### **State**

Ed. Code 37220-37222.21

Ed. Code 44015.1

Ed. Code 45203

Ed. Code 45460

Ed. Code 49110.5

Ed. Code 52720-52730

Gov. Code 3540-3549.3

Gov. Code 430-439

#### **Federal**

36 USC 106

4 USC 6

#### **Description**

[Holidays and commemorative events](#)

[Week of the School Administrator](#)

[Paid holidays](#)

[Classified School Employee Week](#)

Workplace Readiness Week

[Patriotic exercises and instruction](#)

[Public education employer-employee relations](#)

[Display of flags](#)

#### **Description**

Constitution Day and Citizenship Day

Time and occasion for display of flag

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4 USC 7

Position and manner of display of flag

**Management Resources**

**Description**

Court Decision

Newdow v. Rio Linda Union School District (9th Cir. 2010) 597 F.3d 1007

Court Decision

West Virginia State Board of Education et al. v. Barnette et al. (1943) 319 U.S. 624

Website

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