

## **Instruction**

### **Assemblies and Ceremonies**

Assemblies must be approved by the Superintendent or designee and be consistent with the District's ~~mission~~ **educational objectives**.

**While** ~~the~~ District **respects an individual's brief, quiet, personal religious observance(s), it** shall not endorse or otherwise promote invocations, benedictions, and group prayers at any school assembly, ceremony, or other school-sponsored activity.

LEGAL REF.: Lee v. Weisman, 112 S.Ct. 2649 (1992).  
Santa Fe Independent School District v. Doe, 120 S.Ct. 2266 (2000).  
Jones v. Clear Creek Independent School District, 977 F.2d 963 (5th Cir., 1992),  
*reh'g denied*, 983 F.2d 234 (5th Cir., 1992) and *cert. denied*, 113 S.Ct. 2950  
(1993).

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