

TRI-TOWNSHIP CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL CORPORATION

POLICY

REGARDING

DISPLAY OF FLAG AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Display of the United States Flag

The United States flag shall be displayed in each classroom of every school in the school corporation.

Pledge of Allegiance

Each building principal shall ensure that a daily opportunity is provided for students of the school corporation to voluntarily recite the Pledge of Allegiance in each classroom or on school grounds. The building principal shall determine the appropriate time when school is in session for the recitation of the Pledge.

A student is exempt from participation in the Pledge of Allegiance and may not be required to participate in the Pledge of Allegiance if:

- a. the student chooses not to participate; or
- b. the student's parent chooses to have the student not participate.

Students who are exempt from reciting the Pledge shall remain quietly standing or sitting while others recite the Pledge and shall make no display that disrupts or distracts other students who are reciting the Pledge.

During the Pledge of Allegiance, students who participate shall stand and recite the Pledge while facing the United States flag with their right hands over their hearts or in an appropriate salute if in uniform.

The student code of conduct applies to disruptive behavior during the recitation of the Pledge in the same manner as provided for in other circumstances of such behavior.

The superintendent and/or principal may establish procedures to implement this policy.

LEGAL REFERENCE: I.C. 20-30-5-0.5.

Adopted by the Tri-Township Consolidated School Corporation School Board this 9th day of July, 2012.

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