



**BRANDYWINE  
HEIGHTS  
AREA  
SCHOOL  
DISTRICT**

Book	BHASD Policies
Section	800 Operations
Title	Opening Exercises/Flag Displays
Code	807
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### **Purpose**

The Board adopts this policy to ensure that all district schools comply with state and federal laws concerning flag displays and opening exercises while respecting the rights of individuals.

### **Authority**

A United States flag shall be displayed on or near each school building during school hours, inclement weather and at other times determined by the Board. [1]

A United States flag shall be displayed in every school building. [2]

The district may offer opening exercises that include a salute to the flag and/or recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance or the National Anthem. Students shall not be compelled to participate in opening exercises. [3]

A student who declines to participate in opening exercises shall maintain a respectful attitude throughout the exercises.[4]

Opening exercises may include a period of silent prayer or meditation. [5]

School Code 771, 1516.1  
PA Code Title 22 Sec. 12.10

Legal	1. SC 771
	2. SC 771
	3. Title 22 Sec. 12.10
	4. Title 22 Sec. 12.10
	5. SC 1516.1