

GUILFORD COUNTY SCHOOLS

Descriptor Term: PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE		Descriptor Code: IL	
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The Guilford County Board of Education encourages all students to develop an awareness and appreciation for the importance of the rights and responsibilities of citizenship and expects the concepts of citizenship to be incorporated into the education of every student in an age appropriate manner. The curriculum in elementary, middle, and high schools shall incorporate the concepts of citizenship and the meaning and historical origins of the flags and the Pledge of Allegiance. To the extent the flags of North Carolina and the United States are donated or otherwise provided for display in classrooms and/or school buildings, the Board expects them to be displayed. Additionally, each school, in accordance with State law, shall provide for the daily recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance. No student shall be compelled or coerced to recite the Pledge or otherwise salute the flags. Every student shall maintain appropriate decorum during the recitation of the Pledge by either standing and reciting the Pledge, sitting quietly or standing during the recitation.

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