

POLICY

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Community Relations

**SUBJECT: USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES:
RELIGIOUS SERVICES, INSTRUCTION AND EXPRESSION**

As a governmental entity, the School District must neither promote, nor inhibit individuals in the exercise of religion. To that end, there shall be no prayer or religious instruction during school program time or at school sponsored activities, including at graduation ceremonies unless students request a layperson's participation.

Recognizing that the School District has maintained a limited public forum for the exercise of speech by those interested in the school community and has permitted facilities use by non-school related organizations, it is the policy of this School District that its building and premises shall not be used for conducting religious services or religious instruction, except as provided for under the Equal Access Act.

This policy is not intended to preclude cultural events at which music with religious references is performed. Neither is this policy intended to restrict the access of religious organizations to express their viewpoint regarding issues as to which the District has created a limited public forum and to promote social events and/or entertainment events pursuant to the District's facilities use policy where the proceeds, if any, are collected for and distributed to non-sectarian charitable or educational organizations.