

Ceremonies and Observances

Display of the Flag

The flag of the United States of America and the flag of the State of Maine shall be raised above each schoolhouse and at other appropriate places during all school sessions and on all legal school holidays, weather permitting. The flag shall be raised before the opening of school and taken down after its close every day.

Flag at Half-Mast

The following procedures shall be observed.

“Flying at half-mast”, halfway up the staff, a national flag is a signal of mourning. The flag should be hoisted to the top of the staff for an instant before being lowered to half-mast.

It

should be hoisted to the Peak again before being lowered for the night. By tradition, the national flag flies at half-mast only when the entire country mourns. It is not lowered to half-mast for occasions of local mourning. If local flags are flown at half-mast, the national

flag may be flown at full mast with them. Citizens may salute and pledge allegiance to the

flag when it flies at half-mast.

The flag will be flown at half-mast on appropriate occasions.

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