

Community Relations

MOUNT PLEASANT COTTAGE SCHOOL UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT**SUBJECT: FLAG DISPLAY**

- 1) The flag **shall** be displayed daily during school days in, on or near every school. The flag will be displayed outdoors, weather permitting, from sunrise to sunset. However, the flag may be displayed and appropriately lighted at night on special occasions as authorized by the Board or the Superintendent when it is desired to produce a patriotic effect.
- 2) The flag **shall** be displayed daily on or near the District's main administration building whenever it is open to the public, **and** on the following days whether or not the District is open.
 - a. January 1, New Year's Day
 - b. The third Monday of January, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
 - c. The twelfth day of February, Lincoln's Birthday
 - d. The third Monday in February, Washington's Birthday
 - e. The last Monday in May, Memorial Day
 - f. The second Sunday of June, Flag Day
 - g. July 4, Independence Day
 - h. The first Monday in September, Labor Day
 - i. The eleventh day of September, Patriot Day/Remembrance Day
 - j. The third Friday in September, National POW/MIA Recognition Day
 - k. The second Monday in October, Columbus Day
 - l. The eleventh day of November, Veterans Day
 - m. The fourth Thursday in November, Thanksgiving Day
 - n. The seventh day of December, Pearl Harbor Day
 - o. December 25, Christmas Day

(If any of the above days except Flag Day falls on a Sunday, the flag will be flown on the next day.)

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- p. Each general election day.
 - q. Each day appointed by the President of the United States or by the Governor of New York as a day of general thanksgiving or for displaying the flag.
- 3) The flag **shall** be displayed in every assembly room including the room where the Board of Education meetings are conducted.
 - 4) The flag will be displayed in all rooms used for instruction. The Pledge of Allegiance shall be recited daily.
 - 5) The flag will be flown at full staff at all times except that it **shall be flown at half-staff**:
 - a. On Memorial Day until 12:00 noon, then raised to the top of the staff;
 - b. On Peace Officer's Memorial Day, May 15 (unless that day is also Armed Forces Day);
 - c. On Patriot Day, Remembrance Day; September 11;
 - d. On National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day, December 7;
 - e. On a day as may be designated by the Board to commemorate the death of:
 - (1) A personage of national or state standing;
 - (2) A local serviceman, official or public servant who, in the opinion of the Board, contributed to the community;
 - (3) A present or former Board member, present employee, teacher, student, clerk or custodian.
 - 6) The flag **may** be flown at half-staff during special periods of mourning designated by the President of the United States or the Governor of New York.
 - 7) The flag will not be flown at half-staff in response to a petition from students, faculty, or other employees of the District, or petition from a member or members of the community, who have as their intent an expression of sympathy, support, dissent, or opposition to a cause which is political, social, or economic.