



Section: OPERATIONS
Title: OPENING EXERCISES/
 FLAG DISPLAYS
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	814. OPENING EXERCISES / FLAG DISPLAYS	
<p>1. Purpose</p> <p>2. Authority</p>	<p>The Joint Operating Committee adopts this policy to ensure that the Lebanon County Career and Technology Center complies with state and federal laws concerning flag displays and opening exercises while respecting the rights of individuals.</p> <p>A United States flag shall be displayed in classrooms and on or near the school building during school hours, in clement weather and at other times determined by the Joint Operating Committee.</p> <p>The Lebanon County Career and Technology Center shall provide opening exercises that include a salute to the flag and/or recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance or the National Anthem.</p> <p>Students may decline to recite the Pledge of Allegiance or National Anthem and to salute the flag on the basis of personal belief or religious conviction . Students who choose to refrain from such participation shall respect the rights and interest of classmates who do participate</p> <p>The Joint Operating Committee may direct professional employees to conduct a brief period of silent prayer or meditation as part of daily opening exercises. Silent prayer or meditation shall not be conducted as a religious service or exercise.</p> <p>References: School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 771, 1516.1 State Board of Education Regulations- 22 PA Code Sec. 12.10</p>	<p>SC 771</p> <p>Title 22 Sec. 12.10</p> <p>SC 771 Title 22 Sec. 12.10</p>