

San Dieguito Union High School District

Ceremonies and Observances

AR 6115

Instruction

Holidays

District schools shall be closed on the following holidays:

New Year's Day	January 1
Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day	Third Monday in January or the Monday or Friday of the week in which January 15 occurs
Lincoln Day	The Monday or Friday of the week in which February 12 occurs
Washington Day	Third Monday in February
Memorial Day	Last Monday in May
Independence Day	July 4
Labor Day	First Monday in September
Veterans Day	November 11
Thanksgiving Day	The Thursday in November designated by the President
Christmas Day	December 25

Holidays which fall on a Sunday shall be observed the following Monday. Holidays which fall on a Saturday shall be observed the preceding Friday. If any of the above holidays occurs under federal law on a date different from that indicated above, the Board may close the schools on the date recognized by federal law instead of on the date above.

Commemorative Exercises

District schools shall hold exercises in accordance with law to commemorate the following special days:

U.S. Constitution and Citizenship Day	On or near September 17
Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day this	The Friday before the day schools are closed for this

Abraham Lincoln's Birthday for	holiday The school day before the day schools are closed this holiday
Susan B. Anthony Day	February 15
George Washington's Birthday	The Friday preceding the third Monday in February
Black American Day	March 5
Conservation, Bird, and Arbor Day	March 7
Classified Employee Week	Third week in May

Commemorative exercises shall be integrated into the regular educational program to the extent feasible.

Patriotic Exercises

Each school shall conduct patriotic exercises daily, which shall include the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance. The Pledge of Allegiance will be delivered over the intercom system on a daily basis to ensure that it is delivered in every classroom.

Individuals may choose not to participate in the flag salute for personal reasons.

Display of Flag

The flag of the United States and the flag of California shall be displayed during business hours at the entrance or on the grounds of every district school and on or near the district office. At all times, the national flag shall be placed in the position of first honor. The flag of the United States shall be displayed in all classrooms.

When displayed on a building or on a flagstaff in the open, the national flag shall be displayed only from sunrise to sunset unless properly illuminated during the hours of darkness. The flag should not be displayed during inclement weather unless an all-weather flag is used.

The national flag shall fly at half-staff on the following occasions:

1. For 30 days from the death of the President or a former President
2. For 10 days from the death of the Vice President, the Chief Justice or a retired Chief Justice, or the Speaker of the House of Representatives
3. From the day of death until interment of an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, a secretary of an executive or military department, former Vice President, or the Governor

of a state

4. On the day of death and the following day for a Member of Congress
5. On Memorial Day, until noon only
6. On Peace Officers Memorial Day (May 15), unless it falls on Armed Forces Day
7. Upon a proclamation from the Governor in the event of the death of a present or former official of the state government or a member of the Armed Forces from the state who has died while serving on active duty
8. On other occasions by order of the President and in accordance with presidential instructions or orders

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