

CHAPTER 4.00 - CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

VETERAN'S DAY ACTIVITIES

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- I. It is the policy of the School Board to appropriately honor the contributions of our nation's veterans of military service and to celebrate their service in meaningful ways.
- II. During years when Veteran's Day is either on a weekend or is declared a school holiday as part of a board approved school calendar, the Board encourages staff and students to participate in local Veteran's Day activities and, where possible, for school organizations such as bands and JROTC detachments to participate in visible ways.
- III. During years when Veteran's Day falls on a day that is declared a regular school day as part of a board approved school calendar, the Board hereby directs all schools to focus their instructional day, in part, on events and activities that help students celebrate and honor the contributions of our Nation's Veterans. Activities may include, but are not limited to: Flag Ceremonies; inviting veteran guest speakers or veteran's groups to school; Assembly's Student Essay Contests; Special Music Programs; Moments of Silence; Messages from Veterans; School Newspaper Stories; Poster Contests; and Focused Writing Assignments. The Board believes this is the best way to help our students understand what it means to be a veteran, the contributions of our veterans and in so doing, is the best way to honor veterans.
- IV. Schools are required to provide instruction on the history and importance of Veteran's Day and Memorial Day. Such instruction may include two 45-minute lessons that occur on or before the respective holidays.

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