COUNCIL ROCK SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: OPERATIONS

TITLE: OPENING EXERCISES

ADOPTED: February 5, 1998

REVISED:

807. OPENING EXERCISES

1. Purpose
   SC 771

This Board directs that procedures be instituted to uphold the laws of the Commonwealth and the United States concerning opening exercises for schools.

2. Authority
   Title 22
   Sec. 12.10

Accordingly, each student shall be required to salute the flag and recite the Pledge of Allegiance during each day's opening exercises. If a student has conscientious objections which interfere with full participation in the flag salute or Pledge of Allegiance, said student shall maintain a respectful attitude throughout the ceremony.

Parents of students refusing to salute the flag shall be informed by the building principal, and the parent or guardian shall be required to furnish the school administration with a written statement of their child's conscientious objection.

Under the supervision of professional staff member, students of the district shall participate in a period of silence lasting 60 seconds, for the purpose of giving all students a daily opportunity for meditation.

The meditation authorized under this policy is not intended to be, and shall not be conducted as a religious service or exercise, but shall be considered as an opportunity for a moment of silent reflection on the anticipated activities of the day.

School Code
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Title 22
Sec. 12.10