

## Instruction

### Assemblies and Ceremonies

For Joint Agreement students attending special education programs in the administrative district's schools, rules regarding assemblies and ceremonies will be based upon the administrative district's policies.

#### For SELA Students:

Assemblies must be approved by the Director or designee and be consistent with the Joint Agreement's educational objectives.

While the Joint Agreement respects an individual's brief, quiet, personal religious observances, it shall not endorse or otherwise promote invocations, benedictions, and group prayers at any school assembly, ceremony, or other school-sponsored activity.

LEGAL REF.:        Lee v. Weisman, 112 S.Ct. 2649 (1992).  
                         Santa Fe Independent School District v. Doe, 120 S.Ct. 2266 (2000).  
                         Kennedy v. Bremerton Sch. Dist. 142 S. Ct. 2407 (2022).  
                         Jones v. Clear Creek Independent School District, 977 F.2d 963 (5th Cir., 1992), *reh'g denied*, 983 F.2d 234 (5th Cir., 1992) and *cert. denied*, 113 S.Ct. 2950 (1993).

CROSS REF.:        6:70 (Teaching About Religion), 6:80 (Teaching About Controversial Issues)

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