SECTION: OPERATIONS

CATASAUQUA AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

TITLE: Opening Exercises/Flag

Displays

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12.10.

821. OPENING EXERCISES/FLAG DISPLAYS

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A United States flag shall be displayed on or near each public school building in clement weather, during school hours, and at such other times as the Board may determine.

A United States flag, not less than three feet in length, shall be displayed within each school building during each day schools are in session

A United States flag shall be displayed in every classroom.

Opening exercises shall be conducted at the beginning of every school day in every classroom. Except as provided below, each student shall be required to salute the flag and recite the Pledge of Allegiance or sing the National Anthem during opening exercises.

A student may decline to recite the Pledge of Allegiance, salute the flag, and/or sing the National Anthem on the basis of personal belief or religious convictions. Students who choose to refrain from such participation shall respect the rights and interests of classmates who do wish to participate, and shall maintain a respectful attitude throughout the exercises.

The school principal shall provide written notice to the parent(s)/guardian(s) of each student who chooses to refrain from participation in opening exercises.