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UBAH MEDICAL ACADEMY

The Pledge of Allegiance (531)

Note: Recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance by students and instruction of students as provided in this policy are required by statute. Also, the statement in Part III., below, must be included in the student handbook or a policy guide. A local school board or a charter school board of directors may waive these statutory requirements by a majority vote taken annually. If the local school board or charter school board of directors waives the requirement to recite the Pledge of Allegiance, it may adopt a district or school policy regarding the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

I. PURPOSE

The school board recognizes the need to annually address the issue of whether or not the Pledge of Allegiance will be recited at our school.

II. GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY

- A. In accordance with Minn. Stat. § 121A.11, Subd. 3 (d) students shall not be required to recite the Pledge of Allegiance at this school.
- B. Students will learn about the Pledge of Allegiance and its historical significance through the school's social studies curriculum.

III. EXCEPTIONS

Anyone who does not wish to participate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance for any personal reasons may elect not to do so. Students and school personnel must respect another person's right to make that choice.

IV. INSTRUCTION

Students will be instructed in the proper etiquette toward, correct display of, and respect for the flag, as well as in patriotic exercises as part of the social studies curriculum.

Legal References: Minn. Stat. § 121A.11, Subd. 3 (Pledge of Allegiance)
Minn. Stat. § 121A.11, Subd. 4 (Instruction)

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