

Patriotism

In accordance with Federal law, the School will offer educational instruction or opportunities each year on Constitution Day to commemorate the September 17, 1787, signing of the United States Constitution.

In accordance with State law, during the weeks of Memorial Day and Veterans Day, the School Department will devote time to exercises of patriotic nature, including a discussion of the words, meaning, and history of the Pledge of Allegiance and the Star Spangled Banner.

The flag of the United States of America shall be raised during all school sessions, weather permitting. If raised at night, the flag must be properly illuminated.

Either at the start of the school day or at morning announcements, each school shall recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Portsmouth Board of Education shall commence its meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Legal References:

RSA 189:18, Patriotic Exercises
Section 111 of Division J of Public Law 108-447 (2004)