



Section Six: School District Facilities

“Together We Learn”

621 – PROTOCOL FOR FLYING FLAGS AT HALF-MAST

Introduction

The Board of Education recognizes the value of having schools fly their flags at half-mast on appropriate occasions, to bestow an honour or express a collective sense of sorrow.

Policy

1. Occasions for Half-Masting

The Superintendent of Schools/CEO, or designate, has the authority to determine those occasions when flags in the District should be flown at half-mast. The following protocols will typically be followed:

- (a) National (all schools and worksites)
 - On the death of the Sovereign or an immediate member of the Royal Family
 - On the death of the Governor General or the Prime Minister
 - On Remembrance Day, November 11, if the school is flying its flag(s) on that day
 - On the National Day of Mourning
- (b) Provincial (all schools and worksites)
 - On the death of the Lieutenant Governor or the Premier
- (c) School District (all schools and worksites)
 - On the death of a current Trustee
 - On the death of the current Superintendent of Schools
- (d) School (school or worksite affected only)
 - On the death of a current student or staff member

2. Period of Half-Masting

Flags would normally be half-masted upon the death of a person up to and including the day of the funeral or memorial service.