

## Background

The Canadian flag shall be displayed in an appropriate manner at all school buildings in accordance with Section 61 of the Education Act.

## Procedures

- 1. Section 61 of the Education Act states; "A board shall ensure that the Canadian flag and the Alberta flag are displayed at each school operated by the board."
- **2.** The manner in which flags may be displayed in Alberta is established by practice. The rules applied by the provincial government are guidelines for all who wish to display the Canadian flag, the Alberta flag and other flags in Alberta.
- **3.** At the direction of the superintendent or designate, school principals and head custodians will be advised when flags are to be flown at half-mast.
- **4.** A flag of Canada will be displayed during every school day in accordance with the Division school calendar. Flags will be raised at the beginning of the day on the first day of the week and lowered and removed at the end of the last day of the week.
- **5.** If the Canadian flag is displayed on a wall with other flags, the Canadian flag shall occupy the position on the wall to the left of the observers facing the flag. The Alberta flag or other flags of lesser status should occupy positions to the right of the Canadian flag.
- 6. School principals must ensure the Canadian flag and the Alberta flag are in good condition.
- **7.** Whenever the Canadian flag is at half-mast the school will communicate to the students the reason as to why the flags are lowered.

Reference:	Approved:
Education Act (Section 61)	
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Note: References shall be updated as required and do not require additional approval

