POLICY: Newburgh Board of Education

Opening Exercises

This Board has an obligation to uphold the laws of the State and to support the ideals of this county. Accordingly, each student shall be required to salute the flag and recite the Pledge of Allegiance during each day's opening exercises. If a student has conscientious objections which interfere with full participation in the flag salute or Pledge of Allegiance, said student shall maintain a respectful attitude through the ceremony. Opening exercises may also include the singing of patriotic songs.

Parents of students refusing to salute the flag shall be informed by the building principal, and the parent or guardian shall be required to furnish the school administration with a written statement of their child's conscientious objection.