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## Policy

### 1. Purpose

To establish a uniform countywide policy in regard to the display of the flag.

### 2. Policy Statement

The Board of Education agrees with Section 7-105(a) of the Education Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland that “the love of freedom and democracy, shown in the devotion of all true and patriotic Americans to their flag and country, shall be instilled in the hearts and minds” of the students attending the Carroll County Public Schools. In furtherance of that provision, the current American flag shall be displayed on the grounds of every school and in every classroom, conference room, school office, gymnasium, cafeteria, auditorium, stadium, and other rooms frequented by students, staff, and guests.


### 3. Guidelines

Annotated Code of Maryland Education Article:

7-105 (a) “The love of freedom and democracy, shown in the devotion of all true and patriotic Americans to their flag and country, shall be instilled in the hearts and minds” of students attending the Carroll County Public Schools.

The only other flags or banners that may be flown, posts, or affixed to the grounds, stadiums, fencing, wall, doors, ceiling, or any other appurtenances of any public school system building, or facility owned or operated by the Board of Education of Carroll County (including, but not limited to desks), are as follows:

- The current Maryland flag
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- Such flags as are used as part of a temporary unit of study within the approved curriculum

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- Flags or banners that denote a recognition of achievement and are approved by the Superintendent including, but not limited to Blue Ribbon School, Green School, PBIS School etc.
- MPSSAA or other similar sport tournament banners recognizing the participation of a school team
- Banners from colleges or universities or professional sports teams
- Flags of countries representing the many nations of the world may be shown in the common areas of a school building as a multi-national display in a manner and for purposes approved by the Superintendent, provided that no such flags may be as large or as prominent as the current American flag.

#### **4. *Reports***

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N/A

#### **5. *Delegation of Authority***

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The Superintendent/Designee has the responsibility for enforcing this policy by communicating it to all relevant parties and by providing necessary instructions and/or administrative regulations (if appropriate) to all staff members.

#### **6. *Effective Date***

July 1, 2022