
**CARROLL COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS**

BOARD POLICY IMDD: MOMENT OF SILENCE

It is the policy of the Board of Education of Carroll County that all schools are required to have a moment of silent meditation for approximately one minute each school day. During this moment of silence the Carroll County Public Schools shall neither advance nor inhibit silent religious activity.

Effective school year 2002-2003, following the pledge of allegiance to the flag, and before the completion of the opening exercise, all students will observe approximately one minute of silence before continuing with the day's activities. In exercising his or her individual choice, each person may meditate, pray, or engage in any other silent activity which does not interfere with, distract, or impede others in the like exercise of their individual choice.

Schools are responsible for informing all students and parents of this policy at the beginning of the 2002-2003 school year.

During this moment of silence, students can engage in any silent, thoughtful reflection.

The following is a list of inappropriate activities:

1. Talking or any audible sounds
2. Gesturing, using sign language, or writing notes for the purpose of person to person communication

Administrators shall enact appropriate administrative procedures in the event that individuals do not follow the established policy.