

POLICY TITLE:  Memorials on School Grounds					
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## I. Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to set forth the Board's authorization of memorials on school system grounds and criteria relative to such memorials.

## II. Definition

<u>Memorial</u> means a structure or physical object of any kind whether permanent or temporary including, but not limited to, buildings, signs, walls, flora, photographs, pictures which are erected, constructed or situated in or about a school or school campus for the purpose of honoring either a living or a deceased person or persons.

## III. Policy Statement

- A. Only the following types of memorials are permitted on school system grounds.
  - 1. A photograph or picture not exceeding 3 feet by 2 feet.
  - 2. A tree or shrub provided the Facilities Maintenance Department approves same.
  - 3. A plaque or inscription.
- B. Any memorial as listed in A above must be approved as follows.
  - 1. Memorials on the grounds of schools must be approved by the school principal, applicable executive director, the Associate Superintendent, the Superintendent and the Board.
  - 2. Memorials on school system grounds where a school is not located must be approved by the Superintendent and the Board.

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- C. Any memorial listed in A above and which contains writing may not be approved unless the writing contains only the following information:
  - 1. Name, Birth Date and Death Date (if applicable) relating to the person memorialized.
  - 2. Years and type of service to Harford County Public Schools (HCPS) if applicable.
- D. Memorials which are inconsistent with the educational mission of HCPS are prohibited.
- E. The Board reserves the right in its sole discretion to change, in whole or in part, or eliminate, at any time, any memorial.

**Board Approval Acknowledged By:** 

Barbara P. Canavan, Secretary and Treasurer

Board of Education of Harford County



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