

Policy Title	Flags – Use and Display		
Date of Issue	April 19, 2022	Related Procedure	AP 2803-D
Revision Dates		Related Forms	
Review Date		Originator	Board of Trustees
References			
Education Act; Ontario Regulation 298 “Operation of Schools – General”; Government of Canada’s resource pages ‘National Flag of Canada Etiquette’ https://www.canada.ca/en/canadian-heritage/services/flag-canada-etiquette/flying-rules.html ; BP 6303-D “Equity and Inclusive Education”; BP 6820-D “Safe and Accepting Schools”; BP 7520-D “Human Rights”; Ontario Human Rights Code.			

1.0 RATIONALE

- 1.1 Bluewater District School Board policies will support and provide direction necessary to achieve the board’s Vision, Mission, and Strategic Plan priorities.
- 1.2 Bluewater District School Board believes that the National Flag of Canada is a symbol of honour and pride for all Canadians and shall be flown at all Bluewater District School Board facilities in accordance with Ontario Regulation 298 “Operation of Schools – General”.

2.0 POLICY

Bluewater District School Board will display flags with dignity and respect.

3.0 SYSTEM EXPECTATIONS

- 3.1 At all times, the display of flags within Bluewater District School Board will:
 - 3.1.1 reflect the dignity of, and respect for, the National Flag of Canada;
 - 3.1.2 demonstrate the board’s commitment to ensuring equitable and inclusive learning and working environments for all members of the Bluewater District School Board community;
 - 3.1.3 be aligned with and support the principles and expectations of other Bluewater District School Board policies such as, but not limited to, BP 6303-D “Equity and Inclusive Education”, BP 6820-D “Safe and Accepting Schools”, and BP 7520-D “Human Rights”, along with applicable legislation, such as the Ontario Human Rights Code.
- 3.2 This policy will be operationalized by administrative procedure AP 2803-D “Flags – Use and Display”.