AURORA PUBLIC SCHOOLS Adopted January 1977 Revised September 2007 **APS Code: IMDA**

PATRIOTIC EXERCISES

The practice of reciting the Pledge of Allegiance at appropriate assemblies, ceremonies, meetings and other gatherings within the School District is officially sanctioned and encouraged by the Board of Education of School District 28J of the Counties of Adams and Arapahoe.

In addition, each school within the District shall provide an opportunity each school day for willing students to recite the Pledge of Allegiance. This requirement may be satisfied by a single daily announcement over the school's public address system in which students are invited to join in the Pledge. Any person not wishing to participate in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance shall be exempt from reciting the Pledge of Allegiance and need not participate. Such persons shall be expected to remain respectfully silent while others recite the Pledge.