

## **STUDENT RELIGIOUS ACCOMODATIONS**

The Board of Education shall permit students with written permission of a parent or guardian to be absent from school at least sixty (60) minutes but not more than 180 minutes per week to obtain religious instruction outside the school during the required school period. The supervisor of such religious instruction shall report monthly, to the principal of the school regularly attended, the names of the students who attended such weekly religious instruction. The Board may deny the privilege of released time to students who absent themselves from such religious instruction after requesting the privilege. The time period, or periods, allotted for the student to be absent from school for the purpose of religious instruction shall be determined by the Board.

Any transportation to religious instruction or from religious instruction to the public school shall be the responsibility of the parents or of the organization sponsoring the religious instruction.

The District shall be released from all liability for a student who is absent from school in accordance with first paragraph.

Students who are given released time for sincerely held religious beliefs or instruction shall be given the opportunity to make up all academic requirements missed within a reasonable amount of time and shall be provided the opportunity to take any tests or examinations missed during their absence. Students who feel they have been denied the opportunity to make up work or examinations while being absent for religious purposes may make a written complaint to the school principal. A response shall be forwarded to the student and the parents or guardian within ten (10) days. If the complaint is still not resolved satisfactorily, the written complaint shall then be forwarded to the Superintendent. If not resolved to the satisfaction of the student and parents/guardians within five (5) days, the written complaint should then be forwarded to the Board for resolution.