

**STUDENT PRAYER DURING NON-INSTRUCTIONAL TIME**

The District shall comply with state law concerning student recitation of prayer/student-initiated religious speech in school, which allows such activity before, during, and after the school day to the same extent that District allows secular speech. Any time, place, and manner restrictions that the District places on recitation of prayer/student religious speech shall not exceed those placed on student's secular speech.

The decision to participate or not participate in religious expression is a matter of individual choice. No student will be permitted to harass or intimidate other students to participate or refrain from participating in religious expression. School staff shall refrain from encouraging or discouraging students from participating in such activity.

**End of Velva Public School District Policy FGBB.....Adopted: 05.12.2015**