

|| **ORGANIZATION, PHILOSOPHY, AND GOALS**

Philosophy and Goals

Religion

This policy supersedes Policy 1460.

I. PURPOSE

To define the School Board's position on religion and education in Fairfax County Public Schools.

II. POLICY STATEMENT

The First Amendment to the Constitution provides both freedom of religion and prohibition against the establishment of religion by government. Fairfax County Public Schools, as an agency of the government, shall be neutral with respect to religious beliefs and also shall not engage in any activity that either disparages or advocates religion. Fairfax County Public Schools shall treat religions within the educational context in an open, forthright way consistent with the pluralistic nature of our community.

Policy
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FAIRFAX COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD