

VOLUNTARY PRAYER

The Oklahoma State Board of Education has directed that every school district permits those students and teachers wishing to do so to participate in voluntary prayer. This policy is adopted to comply with that directive.

It is the district's policy that students and teachers may engage in voluntary prayer, including at district athletic events and graduation ceremonies. However, school district employees shall not teach, or instill by way of repetition, any sectarian or religious doctrine.

Any student or teacher who has not been permitted to participate in voluntary prayer should notify the relevant school building principal of the violation of this policy. The district will investigate all reports that a student or teacher has not been permitted to participate in voluntary prayer pursuant to this policy.

**Reference: Okla. Stat. tit. 70, § 11-101.1
O.A.C. 210: 35-3-251**