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## Instructional Goals and Objectives

## **Knox County Board of Education Policy**

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## **Prayer and Period of Silence**

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Public prayer shall not be allowed at any school-sponsored or school-directed activity<sup>1</sup>, but a period of silence<sup>2</sup> may be observed as determined by the principal of each school.

The principal of each school shall be responsible for calling the students to order and announcing that a moment of silence is to be observed. No other action shall be taken by a teacher other than to maintain silence for the full time.

Legal References:

<sup>1.</sup> Lee v. Weisman.

<sup>2.</sup> T.C.A. § 49-6-1004.

<sup>3.</sup> T.C.A. § 49-6-1004 (C).