

# WALLINGFORD- SWARTHMORE SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: PROGRAMS

TITLE: EXEMPTION FROM  
INSTRUCTION

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105.2. EXEMPTION FROM INSTRUCTION	
1. Purpose	The purpose of this policy is to comply with the requirements of the state regulations that school districts provide parents/guardians the right to have their children excused from specific instruction which conflicts with their religious beliefs.
2. Authority Title 22 Sec. 4.4,	The Board adopts this policy to ensure that parents/guardians have the right to have their children excused from specific instruction that conflicts with their religious beliefs.
3. Definition	As used in this policy, the phrase <b>specific instruction</b> means identifiable elements of instruction by the teacher. It does not include required reading or academic standards.
4. Guidelines	<p>The rights granted by this policy are granted to parents/guardians of students enrolled in this District where the students are under the age of eighteen (18) and to the students themselves when the student is eighteen (18) or over, unless the student is incapable of making the decision due to a disability.</p> <p>The District shall excuse any student from specific instruction, as defined in this policy, subject to the following conditions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. To assist the School District in ensuring that the student is excused from the correct specific instruction, the request must be made in writing and must detail the specific instruction from which the student is to be excused.</li> <li>2. The written request to be excused shall be sent by the qualifying parent/guardian or student to the building principal.</li> </ol> <p>One (1) copy of the request shall be retained in the student's permanent school records, one (1) copy shall be kept by the school principal, and one (1) copy shall be submitted to the teacher from whose instruction the student is to be excused.</p>

