

Policy 560 MEMORIALS PROCEDURES

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- Other than the graduation procedures listed below, public memorial activities at school sponsored events will not be scheduled.
- Principals, in consultation with the school crisis team and considering the developmental level of the students impacted, will determine the appropriate response to support students at school following the loss of a student at the building.

GRADUATION

In the event of a student from the graduating class has passed away during their *senior year*, the following guidelines will be used for the graduation ceremony:

- If the student death occurs during the *senior year*, the family of the deceased student will receive an honorary diploma for their son/daughter.
- The names of all students who have completed the requirements for graduation will be listed in the program.
- Chairs will be set for students participating in the graduation ceremony.
- Only the names of students participating in the graduation ceremony will be read during the distribution of diplomas.
- Reference to the deceased student will be made during the principal's remarks, at the principal's discretion.
- A plant, purchased by the senior class, will be displayed on the commencement stage for each deceased student. The plant, diploma (if applicable), and program will be presented to the family after the ceremony.