

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

The Berlin Central School District Board of Education recognizes the need for the commencement exercises of the District to be conducted in a respectful and dignified manner. Commencement shall be conducted in a manner that befits the ceremonial acknowledgement of the participants' successful completion of part or all of the District's educational program.

All such ceremonies shall be conducted with the solemnity, dignity, and publication of high achievement appropriate to such an event. Suitable outside speakers may be invited to participate subject to the approval of the Superintendent of Schools.

The Board recognizes the requirement of the First Amendment of the Constitution of the United States, that neither the Congress nor any government shall make a law respecting an establishment of religion. The commencement exercise shall conform with such requirement in all respects.

References

U.S. Constitution, Amendts. I, XIV
Lee v. Weisman, 112 S.Ct. 2649(1992)