

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION IN SCHOOLS

POLICY

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- 1.1 The Halifax Regional School Board will comply with the Public School Program when providing education in the broad area of religions.
- 1.2 Religious instruction that is initiated and maintained by a religious group or organization may only occur outside the regular school day, being the 300 minutes normally allocated to the Public School Program.
- 1.3 Religious groups or organizations wishing to provide religious instruction will comply with the *Use of Board Facilities Policy*.
- 1.4 Provision of a devotional instruction program will have no financial impact on schools or the operations of the Board.
- 1.5 Nothing in this policy is intended to limit the individual expression of faith by students or staff.

2.0 AUTHORIZATION

- 2.1 The Superintendent is authorized to develop and implement procedures in support of this policy.