RECOGNIZING CONSTITUTIONAL FREEDOMS IN THE SCHOOLS POLICY

**Purpose:** The purpose of this policy is to comply with the requirements of Utah Administrative Code 277-105-9 (A)(2)

**Policy:** This policy is adapted from Utah Code 53A-13-101.1.

WSU Charter Academy will maintain constitutional freedom regarding religious observation and education. Instructional activities, performances, or displays which include religion, or religious thought or expression, or the influence of religion on music, art, literature, law, politics, history, or any other element of the curriculum which is designed to achieve secular educational objectives may be undertaken.

No aspect of cultural heritage, political theory, moral theory, or societal value will be included or excluded from the curricula simply because it affirms, ignores, or denies religious belief, religious doctrine, a religious sect, or the existence of a spiritual realm or supreme being.

WSU Charter Academy administrators and employees will not engage in religious practices such as leading prayer or other religious devotionals in school or school related settings. WSU Charter Academy administrators and employees will neither encourage nor discourage children from engaging in constitutionally protected religious observances, such as prayer, on their own.

WSU Charter Academy officials and employees will not use their position to endorse, promote, or disparage a particular religious, denominational, sectarian, agnostic, or atheistic belief or viewpoint.