

# WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §18-9H-1

## §18-9H-1. Display of the National Motto in public schools.

(a) A public elementary or secondary school shall display in a conspicuous location within a common area of the main building of the school that is accessible to the public, and may also display in a similar location in common areas of in other buildings of the school, a durable poster or framed copy of the United States national motto, "In God We Trust": *Provided*, That the poster or framed copy of the national motto described in this section is a minimum of 8.5 by 11 inches, and shall contain a representation of the United States flag centered under the national motto and may not depict any other words, images, or other information.

(b) A public elementary or secondary school may accept and use private donations for the purposes of meeting the provisions of subsection (a) of this section. No public funds may be used for this purpose.

(c) Notwithstanding any other provision of code to the contrary, this section applies to public charter schools authorized pursuant to §18-5G-1 *et seq.*