



## Baccalaureate Graduation Service

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### Question:

Is there any conflict with offering a Baccalaureate in the High School?

### Answer:

It is not so much a conflict as it is a First Amendment issue regarding separation of church and state. School districts may not sponsor baccalaureate ceremonies. That said however, parents, faith groups and other community organizations are free to sponsor such services for students who wish to attend. The school may announce the baccalaureate in the same way it announces other community events. If the school allows the community groups to rent or otherwise use its facilities after hours then a privately sponsored baccalaureate may be held on campus under the same terms offered to any private community group.

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