

UAM OPERATING PROCEDURE 1010.1
Re: Star-Spangled Banner Act

January 14, 2022

In accordance with Act 958 of 2021, in which the Arkansas General Assembly stated that:

- It is of the utmost importance that Arkansas youth learn the importance of the national anthem, "The Star-Spangled Banner";
- The regular playing of "The Star-Spangled Banner" will foster patriotism and celebrate the common American experience; and
- "The Star-Spangled Banner" should be played in solemn observance and recognition for the men and women who have sacrificed their lives in defense of the American Experiment.

The University of Arkansas at Monticello shall:

- Broadcast "The Star-Spangled Banner" at the commencement of each school-sanctioned sporting event. If any part of two (2) or more school-sanctioned sporting events occur on the same day at the same school, a state-supported institution of higher education may choose to broadcast "The Star-Spangled Banner" at only one (1) of the events.
- Select any recording of "The Star-Spangled Banner" that includes the lyrics from the first verse written by Francis Scott Key or is the standard arrangement or standard instrumental version used by U.S. military bands or similar arrangement or version.

The University of Arkansas at Monticello will allow the performance of "The Star-Spangled Banner" using:

- Original sheet music that adheres to division rules and is performed by a school-sanctioned band program;
- Original sheet music that adheres to division rules and is performed by a school-sanctioned chorale program, vocal group, or vocalist; or
- By the attendees of a school-sanctioned event led by a vocalist selected by the state-supported institution of higher education hosting the school sanctioned event.