



**OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
AMERICAN SAMOA GOVERNMENT**

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**GENERAL MEMORANDUM NO. 004 – 24**

To: Secretary of Samoan Affairs, CEOs, Presidents and Executive Directors of Authorities, Directors, Agency and Office Heads

From: Governor of American Samoa

Subject: Flying of Colors at All DOE Campuses

Pride in our nation and pride in ourselves go hand in hand. These are lessons we should learn at home and at school from a very early age. A strong sense of pride fosters compassion towards one another and creating upstanding members of society that will have a full appreciation of the freedoms we hold dear.

I propose that DOE initiate a daily standard practice of assembling students to witness the raising of the flags, reciting the pledge of allegiance, and singing the national anthems of both the US and American Samoa.

In the event of inclement weather, it is acceptable to defer to reciting the pledge of allegiance in the classrooms.

Your support in this initiative is much appreciated. God bless America and American Samoa.

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Governor