

DEPARTMENT COMMITTEES 2016 – 2017

AMERICANISM COMMITTEE

Mission: To inspire patriotism and good citizenship through patriotic observances, patriotic and civic instruction in schools, youth activities such as Boys State, Boy Scouts, Oratorical contest, School Award Medals, baseball, flag etiquette and other similar community services.

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