

ALL PRINCIPALS/APS: 2012 Law Week Resources

**Category:**

**Audience:** All Principals/APs

**Due Date:** n/a

**Meeting Date:** n/a

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To announce Law Day and Law Week dates and national theme.

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- Law Day is Tuesday, May 1, 2012, and Law Week is April 28-May 4, 2012. The national theme for Law Day 2012 is "No Courts, No Justice, No Freedom."
- Following is a brief history of law day and week:
  - President Dwight Eisenhower established the first Law Day in 1958 to mark the nation's commitment to the rule of law.
  - In 1961, Congress issued a joint resolution designating May 1 as the official date for celebrating Law Day, which is subsequently codified (U.S. Code, Title 36, Section 113). Every president since then has issued a Law Day proclamation on May 1 to celebrate the nation's commitment to the rule of law.
- The 2012 Law Day theme is: "No Courts, No Justice, No Freedom" this year's theme promotes the importance of the courts and their role within our Justice system and in ensuring access to justice for all.
- For ideas to help plan for this event and to download activities, lesson plans and view information about student contests, please visit the American Bar Association's website at:  
[http://www.americanbar.org/groups/public\\_education/initiatives\\_awards/law\\_day\\_2012.html](http://www.americanbar.org/groups/public_education/initiatives_awards/law_day_2012.html)[http://www.americanbar.org/groups/public\\_education/initiatives\\_awards/law\\_day\\_2012.html](http://www.americanbar.org/groups/public_education/initiatives_awards/law_day_2012.html)
- For resources regarding Florida's court system and Florida's celebration of Law Day 2012, visit the Florida Law Related Education Association's website: [www.flrea.org](http://www.flrea.org) and click on Law Day 2012.

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