

ALL PRINCIPALS/APS/TEACHERS: Social Studies – Haitian Flag Day, May 18, 2012

Category: For Your Information

Audience: All Principals/APs, All Teachers

Due Date: n/a

Meeting Date: n/a

Attachment(s): [Haitian Flag Day.pdf](#)

To recognize that May 18th is celebrated each year as Haitian Flag Day.

- The Haitian flag was created on May 18th, 1803 in the midst of the country's war for independence from France. Haiti had been a colony of France since 1697, but the people rebelled in 1803 and Haiti achieved independence on January 1, 1804.
 - In Haiti, Flag Day is a major national holiday celebrated with great fanfare on the grounds of the national palace and all cities in the country.
 - Attached is a brief history of the Haitian flag that can be utilized by classroom teachers to highlight Haitian Flag Day on May 18th. Additional instructional resources to celebrate Haitian Heritage Month were previously distributed to schools via Weekly Briefing #11783.
 - For additional information, please contact the Division of Social Sciences and Life Skills, at the number listed below.
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