

ALL SECONDARY PRINCIPALS/APS/TEACHERS: Social Sciences - Law Studies Academy

**Category: For Your Information**

**Audience:** Principals/APs (Middle), Principals/APs (Senior High), All Teachers

Due Date: n/a

Meeting Date: n/a

To announce the Law Studies Academy, a professional development opportunity for teachers of elective law-related courses.

- The Department of Social Sciences is offering training for teachers who teach middle or senior high school law-related elective courses to better prepare students to participate in the different District sponsored law programs; such as “We the People... The Citizen and the Constitution” program, the “Project Citizen” public policy program, and/or the Middle or Senior High School Mock Trial competition.
- This professional development opportunity is open to 25 teachers.
- The following details regarding this professional development opportunity should be noted:
  - Participation is voluntary.
  - Teachers participating in the academy must attend all 6 days of workshops, complete all follow-up requirements related to the workshops, and **participate in at least 2 District law-related competitions/programs** in order to receive Master Plan Points (MPP).
  - Participating teachers must currently teach at least one section of any middle or senior high school law-related elective course.
  - Participating teachers will earn a total of 42 MPP’s, receive valuable content knowledge, instructional resources, and be exposed to best practices as well as limited school support.
  - Participating teachers will be provided with the funding structure for substitute coverage once they have been accepted into the Academy.
  - **Dates:**
    - October 6, 2016
    - October 18, 2016
    - November 17, 2016
    - January 19, 2017
    - February 9, 2017
    - March 9, 2017
  - **Location:** Miami Lakes Educational Center, Seltzer Room  
5780 NW 158th Street, Miami, FL 33014
- To register, please log in to MyLearningPlan through the Employee Portal and search for the session titled: “Law Studies Academy.” **Note: acceptance to participate is subject to approval pending confirmation of law course.**
- If you have questions or need additional information, please contact Ms. Jackie Viana, District Supervisor, Department of Social Sciences, via email, [Jviana@dadeschools.net](mailto:Jviana@dadeschools.net) or the number listed below.

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