

ALL PRINCIPALS/APS/TEACHERS: Patriot Day – The Anniversary of the September 11, 2001 Terrorist Attacks on the United States

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**Audience:** All Principals/APs, All Teachers

Due Date: n/a

Meeting Date: n/a

**Attachment(s):** [Patriot Day Narrative 2012.doc](#)  
[Patriot Day 2012 Power Point.pptx](#)  
[Patriot Day Packet September 2012.pdf](#)

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The Division of Social Sciences has prepared resources to commemorate the anniversary of the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks against the United States.

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- Patriot Day will be commemorated on Tuesday, September 11, 2012. This day marks the anniversary of the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks against the United States at the World Trade Centers, the Pentagon, and aboard United Flight 93 over Pennsylvania.
  - Nearly 3,000 innocent victims perished on September 11, 2001 as planes struck the skyline of New York City, the Pentagon in Washington, D.C., and a farm field in Pennsylvania. Many victims died in the first few minutes; others died seeking safety following the senseless attacks. First responders including police, firefighters, members of the Armed Forces, and private citizens also made the ultimate sacrifice working to assist others in the immediate aftermath of the attacks.
  - In honor of the thousands who lost their lives on September 11, 2001 and their families, schools may wish to hold brief remembrances on Tuesday, September 11, 2012.
  - As part of the remembrance, schools are encouraged to observe 30 seconds of silence at 8:46 a.m. on September 11, 2012. This marks the exact time the first hijacked plane crashed into the World Trade Center in New York City. A brief narrative is attached that may be read aloud to students prior to the observances of the 30 seconds of silence.
  - A brief Power Point presentation is provided for school's wishing to commemorate Patriot Day on Tuesday, September 11, 2012. The attached classroom resources, including lessons and readings, have also been developed by the Division of Social Sciences. The instructional resources and Power Point are also posted on the Division of Social Sciences website at <http://socialsciences.dadeschools.net/>.
  - If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Mr. John R. Doyle, Administrative Director, Division of Social Sciences, at 305 995-1982 or by e-mail at [jdoyle@dadeschools.net](mailto:jdoyle@dadeschools.net).

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