

Reservations now open for: 2021 Rhode Island Law Day Classroom Programs

On Rhode Island Law Day, thousands of Rhode Island students, teachers, judges and lawyers share important, timely and lively law related education lessons. **This year's Rhode Island Law Day is April 30, 2021.**

Rhode Island Law Day classroom program lessons are open to all public, independent, private, and parochial Rhode Island middle and upper schools' 7th to 12th grade classes, and feature in-school, one classroom period participation of a Rhode Island judge and lawyer team. To promote active student participation and the best possible educational experience, the Rhode Island Law Day classroom program topic choice focuses on an issue of direct relevance to students.

The 2021 Rhode Island Law Day Program, *American Society and the Rule of Law*, will explore the importance of the rule of law in today's society. The rule of law is a set of principles, or ideals, for ensuring an orderly and just society. Many countries throughout the world strive to uphold the rule of law where no one is above the law, everyone is treated equally under the law, everyone is held accountable to the same laws, there are clear and fair processes for enforcing laws, there is an independent judiciary, and human rights are guaranteed for all. The rule of law is the bedrock of American rights and liberties—in times of calm and unrest alike. The 2021 Law Day theme, reminds all of us that we the people share the responsibility to promote the rule of law, defend liberty, and pursue justice.

Classroom program materials including topic description, recommended discussion points and role-playing suggestions will be distributed in a follow up email.

To ensure your participation, we encourage you to complete and return your reservation form today. **The reservation deadline for the 2021 Rhode Island Law Day Classroom Programs is Friday, February 12, 2021.**

Please note: The 2021 Rhode Island Law Day Essay Contest, open to only 10th and 11th grade students attending schools in Rhode Island, will use the same topic, *American Society and the Rule of Law*, as the basis for the essay entries. Information for the essay contest will be sent out in early March. The due date for entries will be Monday, May 10, 2021.