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## School Events, Public Talks Highlight Law Day Activities

Idaho's legal community plans a day of education and celebration for the public to mark Law Day, Wednesday, May 1.

An annual event, Law Day celebrates the rule of law that underpins American society. Courts and legal organizations across the country use the day to hold educational events about our judicial system. The constitutional principles highlighted through these events make Idaho and our country what they are today.

This year's national theme is "Voices of Democracy."

Local courts and district bar associations across Idaho plan a variety of activities, including:

- Guest speakers visiting Idaho schools, and students visiting Idaho courthouses to observe court. High school government students in Caldwell will watch and learn about jury selection, and seniors from high schools across north-central Idaho have been invited to attend a variety of local court proceedings.
- Other community groups will hear presentations on various topics related to the courts and our democracy, including Rotary groups in Idaho Falls. Idaho Supreme Court Justice Cynthia Meyer will join a public discussion in Boise.
- Attorneys in the Treasure Valley will volunteer to answer legal questions for local residents over the phone during an "Ask A Lawyer" event. Residents may register to participate in this event using the information <u>at this link</u>.
- Kootenai County will also hold a <u>free legal clinic</u>, this one focused on family law.
- Some events will take place in the days leading up or the days after Law Day, including lectures planned at Idaho State University and participating Pocatello high schools. In Blaine County, court and county officials will recognize both Law Day and National Treatment Court Month in May.

News media interested in learning more about events in their area should contact Nate Poppino, <u>npoppino@idcourts.net</u>, or Lindsey Welfley, <u>lwelfley@isb.idaho.gov</u>.

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