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## Mercer Vicinage to Hold Law Day Celebration

The Mercer Vicinage, in partnership with the Mercer County Bar Association, will hold its annual Law Day celebration on Friday, May 7. The national theme for Law Day is "Advancing the Rule of Law Now."

The celebration will include a virtual presentation that will be shared with middle and high school students throughout Mercer County to highlight the importance of promoting the rule of law, defending liberty, and pursuing justice.

The hourlong interactive video program includes remarks from Chief Justice Stuart Rabner and a greeting from Assignment Judge Mary C. Jacobson. Other speakers include Mercer County Prosecutor Angelo Onofri and Mercer County Bar Association President Tanya Phillips.

A mock trial will give students an opportunity to observe or serve as jurors on a fictional freedom of speech school case. The bar association sponsored a writing contest for students to submit essays or poems about the Law Day theme.

This year's celebration is dedicated to the memory of Ivette Santiago-Green, who was a longtime employee of the Mercer County Superior Court and champion of promoting student education and building relationships between schools and the judiciary.

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