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## LAW DAY AROUND WYOMING

**Cheyenne, WY** – In celebration of Law Day, fifth-grade students across Wyoming participated in events that gave them firsthand experience in the judicial process. Judges Bobbi Overfield and Darci Phillips played pivotal roles in organizing and facilitating these educational activities.

At the Hot Springs County Courthouse, Thermopolis Middle School fifth graders conducted a mock trial, dramatizing the case of Dorothy from *The Wizard of Oz* who was charged with theft and involvement in the death of the Wicked Witch of the West. Students assumed roles as judges, attorneys, witnesses, and jurors.



Judge Bobbi Overfield consults with the mock trial's acting judge.

In Sheridan County, Sagebrush Elementary fifth graders visited the courthouse for a hands-on Law Day program led by Judge Darci Phillips. Judge Phillips guided the group through discussions about the roles of various courtroom participants and the importance of the rule of law in everyday life, helping to bring abstract concepts into real-world focus.



Judge Darci Phillips answers questions from students.

These Law Day events underscore Wyoming's commitment to education about the third branch of government and the active involvement of its judiciary in community outreach. Judge Bobbi Overfield and Judge Darci Phillips exemplify dedication to fostering an informed and engaged citizenry from a young age.

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