

## **About Victorian Law Week**

## Victorians need access to vital information about their legal rights and responsibilities.

Victorian Law Week, held in May, makes learning about the law easy. Victorian Law Week is not a legal conference, careers expo or a 'legal industry thing' – it's for everyday Victorians.

## Helping high school students understand their legal rights

This Victorian Law Week there are plenty of <u>events for your students</u> to help them understand and deal with legal problems that many young people face.

Make sure your students know their rights and responsibilities when learning to drive, starting work, socialising and communicating online.

On Monday 17 May, Deakin Law School will be running an interactive webinar for school students on <a href="mage-based abuse and young people">image-based abuse is an increasingly common issue, and occurs when an intimate photograph, video or image is shared (or threatened to be shared) without the consent of the person pictured.

## There are also Victorian Law Week events to help your students:

- understand their rights on the road, and what to do if they're involved in an accident
  - explore the laws about consent, sexting, sex offences and sexual harassment
  - learn about their rights at work and the <u>changes to the law that impact casual</u> employees
    - explore what to do if faced with discrimination at work
- find out how to protect their superannuation, including what to do if their employer isn't paying their super correctly.

**Law Week @ Nhill College** – Humanities teachers will be providing students with the opportunity to participate in some of the Law Week events and other activities during lunchtime sessions. These sessions will be open to any students who are interested:

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> May** – What's in a Sentence? A panel of three judges will discuss sentencing of criminal offenders and answer any questions.

**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> May** – Women in the Law. A panel of women who work in the legal system will discuss their experiences.

**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> May** – Mental Illness and the Law. A panel of judges and member of the County Court's Integrated Services Program will explore mental illness and the law.

Law Week is **not just for students** – there is a full program for everyone to discover how the law affects your life, find answers to your legal questions, meet the people who resolve your disputes and enforce our laws.

For more information and to register for events (many of which will be held online) go to the Law Week website:

https://lawweek.net.au/

