# LawForKids.org

An educational resource made especially to answer kids' questions about the law.

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## What can LawForKids.org do for you?

#### The Law...

The Law is an important but complicated part of our lives. Professional Lawyers attend school and study for years before they can be certified to practice in specific areas of the law. Even highly trained lawyers with years of experience must convince judges and even members of a jury that their understanding of the law is correct. While it is nearly impossible for anyone to know every part of every law, we are nevertheless held accountable for our actions. And, the excuse "But I didn't know I was breaking the law" doesn't hold up in court.

## Here's a Reality Check

Every kid in America has opportunities to break the law every day. A lot of the time, kids don't even know they are about to break the law. Other times, kids know the law but decide to break it anyway. Regardless, it's crucial that kids know just what the law means for them and understand that they are responsible for the decisions they make.

LawForKids.org is a free website available to Arizona kids that explains youth laws in a



manner that kids can read quickly and understand easily.

## **Teachers**

- → Best and most complete collection of Arizona youth laws
- → Downloadable lesson plans
- Worksheets
- Activities
- ✓ Links to the best teaching resources
- ✓ Easy way to integrate technology into lessons







## **Parents**

- ✓ Know what the law means for your kids
- ✓ Know what your responsibilities are if your kid breaks the law
- ✓ Keep your kids out of trouble by teaching them about the law
  - ✓ Links to parenting resources
  - ✓ Information on new changes to the law

## Kids

- ✓ Get Homework Help
- ✓ Speak Up! and ask any question about the law
- ✔ Receive updates about new changes to Arizona laws
- ✓ Exchange comments about the law with other kids from around the world
- ✓ Download free MP3s!!!

## Counselors & Resource Officers

- → Help students make educated decisions about the law
- ✓ New scholarships and opportunities for Youth Citizens featured
- ✓ Easiest way to explain Arizona laws to youth
- → Answer kids' questions about the law

## Other Law-Related Education Programs

LawForKids.org is a Law-Related Education program of the Arizona Foundation for Legal Services and Education. Law-Related Education provides youth with an opportunity to practice effective citizenship skills. Arizona schools can participate in a host of fun and creative Law-Related Education programs that the Foundation sponsors.

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## If you Don't Like It... Change It!

Many kids may say that they don't agree with a certain law. However, few realize that they can shape the law themselves. LawForKids.org lets kids find which Arizona lawmakers represent them and then gives kids the chance to actually email their lawmakers ideas for changing the law.



## LawToons

This series of cartoon strips and short animations provides a fun and entertaining way to learn about some very serious subjects. Watch as our cast of cartoon characters learn first-hand about the law.

## **Share Your Comments**

Like most people, kids have opinions about the law. Each page of LawForKids.org gives kids the opportunity to post their comments and read comments from other kids across the United States.

## **Detention Tour**

Watch as "Jay" leads us through an Arizona Juvenile Detention Center. This is a unique opportunity to see the inside of a detention center without actually having to break the law first!

LawForKids.org is updated regularly to provide new and important information about the law. If there's something specific about the law you can't find on LawForKids.org, ask a volunteer attorney in the Speak Up! section.

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Did you know your parent can request that your driver's license be cancelled while you are a minor? Did you know if you are under 18 and arrested and convicted for driving under the influence, your conviction will remain on your driving record for 5 years? Did you know that if you are driving a vehicle, you are responsible for making sure that the passengers in the front seat are wearing their seat belts? Did you know that if you use a false or even legally- issued driver's license to obtain alcohol when you

Did you know kids can find answers to their questions about the law on the Internet at

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are under the legal drinking age of 21, you can have your driving privileges taken away for 6 months? Did you know that if you are under 18 and have any tobacco products in your possession that you have broken the law? Did you know that if you are between the ages of 6 and 16 that you are legally required to be in school? Did you know that if you are under the age of 21, it is illegal for you to be in possession of alcohol? Did you know that you are

**PLUS!** get answers to homework, learn about youth laws, access hundreds of law links, listen to other kids' stories, and watch LawToons all on:

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