

May 17, 2024

Good morning I.S 201! It's Joanna from class 851 and I will be with you for our S.E.A.L Summaries every Friday on behalf of the S.E.A.L Team.

On this exact day 70 years ago, a decision that changed US history was made. On May 17th, 1954, the U.S. Supreme Court declared racially segregated public schools to be unconstitutional. As a decision of the Brown versus the Board of Education case, the "separate but equal" doctrine was banned. This was a major step in the long fight for civil rights and equality for all.

For many states including at the time, schools were segregated, meaning that students of different races weren't allowed to attend the same school with each other. However, the decision of prohibiting segregation in public schools was a huge step that allowed students of all races to learn and thrive together today. It was another step forward for all people on getting the recognition and respect they deserve.

Here is a quote by Audre Lorde to end our daily diction, "It is not our differences that divide us. It is our inability to recognize, accept, and celebrate those differences."

Thank you for listening and have a Fairness for all Friday!

The affirmation of the day is: "I will work hard and never give up."

SEAL Team pledge:

We are the Dyker S.E.A.L. Team

Positivity is our dream

We teach it every day

To help others live the optimistic way

We learn to control our emotions and feelings

So, we always have effective social dealings

No stone left unturned; no person left behind

Every member of our team has the power to be kind

We spread kindness to our friends, families, and those who need a smile

When facing hardships and adversity, the S.E.A.L. Team goes the extra mile

