

Exploring Core Democratic Values via a Class Butterfly Collection!

Looking at Current Issues, Quotes, Images

1. Find an article in any local newspaper or online news source (MLive, WSJ, NYT, etc.) that presents a local, state, or national public policy issue. **Print out for class and attach to this rubric.**

Summarize the article.

Identify the CDV that is being debated.

Identify the level of government that would have jurisdiction in this issue. (local, state, national) **AND** the branch of government that addresses this issue (legislative, executive, or judicial)

Give the rationale for choosing the CDV you identified.

Develop 2-3 focus questions that would help another student discuss the issue.

2. Find a quote from a notable person that exemplifies this CDV.

3. Find an image that exemplifies this CDV.

4. Be ready to present your article, quote and image to a small group and turn in.

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Title of Article and APA Citation	<u>Genesis of Proposal 2, 'Protect Our Jobs' proposal, found in Right to Work debate</u> Derringer, Nancy. (2012, October 31).mLive. Retrieved October 31, 2012, from http://www.mlive.com/politics/index.ssf/2012/10/genesis_of_prop_2_found_in_rig.html
Complete summary of Article	This article is all about Proposal 2 coming up in the election vote in November. It talks about how Proposal 2 would put collective bargaining rights in our state constitution. If Proposal 2 passes and fails there is no back up plan. Jared Rodriguez said, "We need all the opponents to get (the message) out to Michigan voters of the extreme detrimental impact this will have on our state" if Proposal 2 passes. Union bosses are the ones who brought this fight to Michigan. Kevin Brinegar, CEO of the Indiana Chamber of Commerce said that they are watching Michigan's election closely because if this passes, Michigan businesses will be looking to relocate. Over time this proposal will be bad for Michigan because organized labor expects the effect of the law to be bad for the state, as wages and benefits will fall. This is the low road to economic development of Michigan. There are still a lot of contracts still in place, so the immediate impact will not influence these. Employers are said to be "pushing back on everything from benefits to bathroom breaks."
Core Democratic Value(s) and Rationale for each of the CDV(s)	I say that this article represents the CDV <u>Popular Sovereignty</u> , because Popular Sovereignty is the power of government comes from the people and we are voting on this proposal for it to either be accepted into Michigan or not.
Branch of Government indicated in this issue (Legislative, Executive, Judicial)	Legislative because it was just created and now it is in the process of being voted on for our state.
Level of Government with jurisdiction – how do you know? (National, State, Local)	It is at the state level because it is on the ballot to be voted on in November for the state of Michigan.
Focus questions – how will you lead a discussion on this article as it relates to	1. What is an example of Popular Sovereignty that you can think of? 2. Do you think this article represents any other Core Democratic Values? Why?

the Core Democratic Values?	3. What do you think the pros and cons of proposal 2 are?
Quote, including person who said it. Include year or event if you can.	“The fabric of American empire ought to rest on the solid basis of THE CONSENT OF THE PEOPLE. The streams of national power ought to flow from that pure, original fountain of all legitimate authority.” -Alexander Hamilton December 14, 1787
Image (scan or photograph if not already electronic)	 A photograph showing a person's hands holding a document with the title "We the People" written in cursive. The document is held over a portion of the American flag, which is visible in the lower part of the image. The background is a plain, light color.