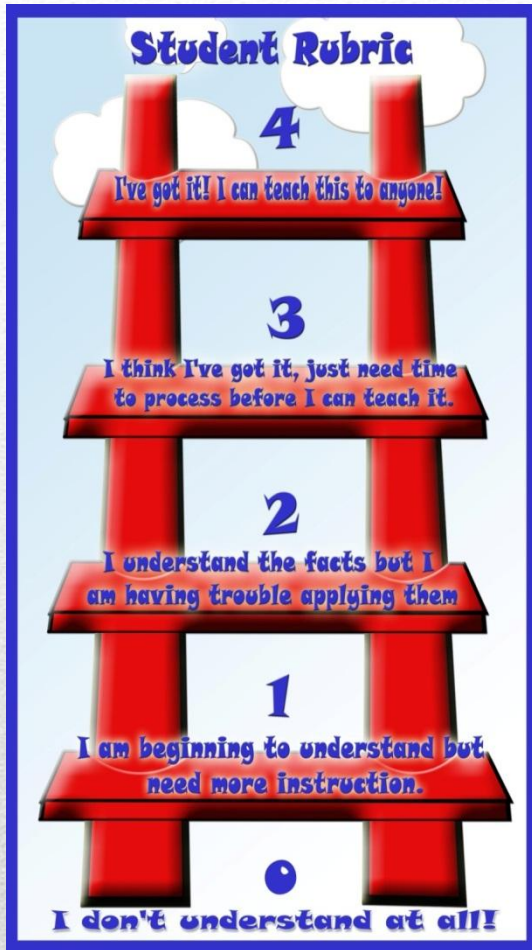




# Project Citizen

Public Policy

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## Learning Goal:

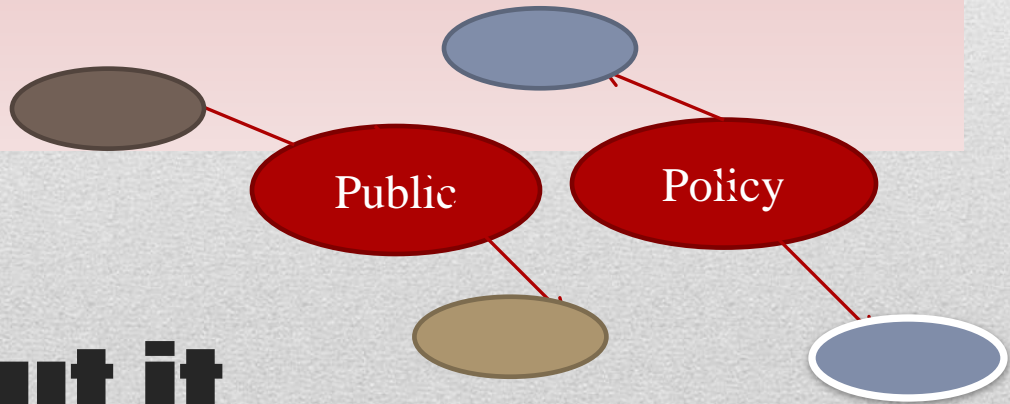
I can understand what the term “Public Policy” means and understand that government officials have a responsibility and the authority to make public policy decisions.

# Rate your learning.

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- On the white sheet of paper I just gave you , I would like you to write the word, Public Policy, across your paper with a marker.
- Now discuss with your group members what Public means. You may use the dictionary or thesaurus for support.
- Now circle the word , Public, and then create a concept map to write your ideas.
- Now discuss with your group members what Policy means.
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**Think about it.....**

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- A **public policy** is an agreed-upon way that our federal, state, or local governments fulfill their responsibilities, such as protecting the rights of individuals and promoting the general welfare of the people.

**Lets see how much you know?**



- **Some are written by legislatures.**
- **Rules and Regulations created by the executive branch of government, which is responsible for carrying out and enforcing laws.**
- **Judicial Branch, or courts, can make or change public policy when they reach decisions in some cases.**



# Who writes public policies?

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**Who makes the laws?**

- **School districts are responsible for making policies regarding student behavior and discipline.**

**Who enforces?**

- **Teachers and school administrators enforce these policies.**



# **Examples of Public Policies.**

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- Who makes the laws?
- State Legislators are responsible for making laws that place speed limits on drivers.



Who enforces the laws?

- Police officers enforce these laws.



# Examples of Public Policies.

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- Who makes the laws?
- City governments often adopt policies that prohibit people from operating liquor stores near public schools.
- Who enforces the laws?
- City inspectors and zoning departments enforce these policies.



## Examples of Public Policies.

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- **Can you come up with one of your own?**

**Your turn!!!!!!**



- **Now I would like you to try.**
- **Think of a public policy you would like to create.**
  - **Decide who will create it.**
  - **Decide who will enforce it.**
- **Share with the rest of the class.**
  - **Create a flow map.**



**Your turn!!!!**



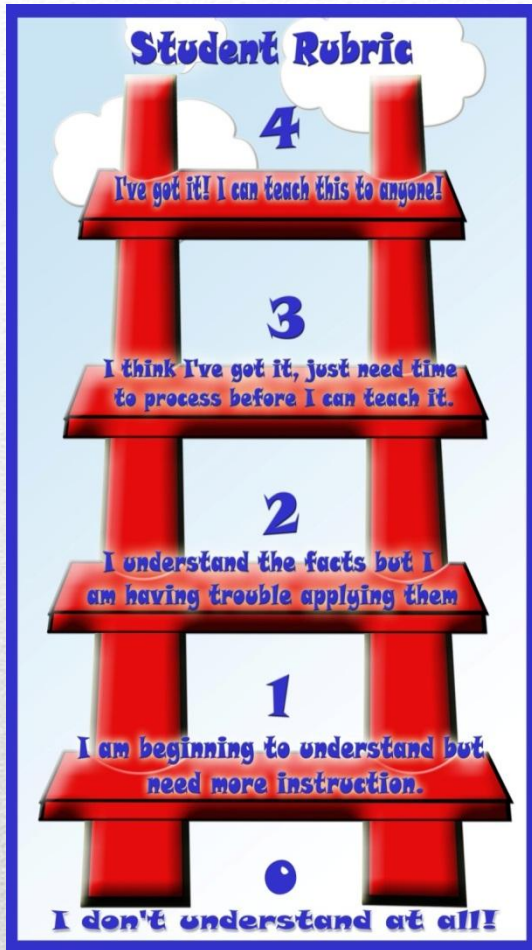
- **When people become aware of problems in their communities, they often want government to develop and carry out policies to deal with those problems. These may be problems for which there are:**
  - \*Existing policies are laws that do not work well
  - \*Existing policies or laws that are not being enforced
  - \* No policies or laws.



# Why learn about this?

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