

# School/Home Connection

Dear Family,

I have been learning about Core Democratic Values. In Part I of this activity, I would like us to discuss some of the values we have as a family which are the source of our actions. In Part II of this activity, I would like to tell you about eight Core Democratic Values which are fundamental beliefs that are the source of inspiration for civic action. I would like us to discuss them and brainstorm some ways we could act on these values. I hope you enjoy doing this assignment with me. It is due on \_\_\_\_\_.

Sincerely,

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*Student's signature*

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Objectives:

The learner will:

- define at least five Core Democratic Values.
- explain the role of Core Democratic Values as commonly held beliefs among citizens which inspire them to act philanthropically.

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## Part I-What Do We Value?

In order to understand Core Democratic Values, we talked in class first about our beliefs and if they are influenced by family, peers, religion, or personal experience. *I need to write down five things which our family believes and I would like you to do the same.* Then we can talk about our answers.



Beliefs influenced by the family Parent(s) or Caregiver(s) comments	Beliefs influenced by the family Student perspective
1.	1.
2.	2.
3.	3.
4.	4.
5.	5.

## Part II-Core Democratic Values

I would like to tell you about the fundamental beliefs citizens have in common. They are called Core Democratic Values. I will tell you about those eight listed below. As I describe them, please write down the descriptions I share with you.

<b>Patriotism</b>	
<b>Popular Sovereignty</b>	
<b>Common Good</b>	
<b>Truth</b>	
<b>Justice</b>	
<b>Equality</b>	



Individual Rights	
Diversity	

These Core Democratic Values inspire citizens to take action, giving of time, talent, and/or treasure just as our family beliefs are the source of our actions. Please help me to brainstorm at least two ways we could take action to enhance two of the eight values listed above.

Value \_\_\_\_\_

Actions to enhance this value:

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_

Value \_\_\_\_\_

Actions to enhance this value:

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_

Parent(s) or Caregiver(s) comments: \_\_\_\_\_

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