

LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN CONNECTICUT, 3rd EDITION

Instructor's Guide

Chapter 1

Class Discussion

1. What are some of the key difference in local government vs. federal and state government?
2. If town hall closed down, what services would be impacted? Create teams and see who can come up with the most on the list. Put list on board. Save list and review at the end of the entire segment on local government and compare to see how much they have learned about local government.
3. Where is the town hall located in the town students live in? Is it centralized?
4. How many have visited the town hall? Why? (dog license, parent/guardian paying taxes, building permit, other?)

Class Assignments

1. Assign students on their way home to observe and make a list of the town services they can identify. Ask them for the number they have identified, and then recognize students with the most. Put the list on the board as they call out the services and then check who missed what services.