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### **Social Studies Government Summative Review**

#### **Measurement Topic: Civic Participation and Skills**

- I understand and can explain that members of local communities have social and political responsibilities.
- I understand and can explain how individuals make the community a better place by solving problems in a way that promotes the common good.

1. Some ways that people can help to solve problems in their community are:

- Going to a city council meeting
- Volunteering
- Sharing ideas

2. Some ways that people show social responsibility/good citizenship in school are:

- Keeping their property neat
- Cleaning up after yourself
- Reading a newspaper/staying informed

3. Some things people can do to make their community a better place to live are:

(Name three)

- Planning a community event
- Volunteering
- Protecting the environment
- Supporting education
- Fixing up houses
- Helping the homeless

4. Be able to explain an example of a school rule and how it helps promote to common good.

**For example:** No talking in the hallways.

This helps promote the common good because when the hallways are quiet classes can concentrate on their work.

**Measurement Topic: Rules and Laws**

- I understand and can explain that laws are rules which apply to all people in a community and describe ways people are expected to behave.
- I understand and can explain that laws promote order and security, provide public services and protect the rights of individuals in the local community.

5. Some examples of settling disputes, or problems, are:

-A judge talking to some people

-A policeman or policewoman settling an argument

6. The people responsible for order and security are judges and police.

7. The person responsible for making laws in a community is the city council.

8. Some public services a community provides are: (Name three)

-street cleaning

-snow removal

-trash pick up

-recycling

9. Be able to explain some benefits of having laws in a community:

Everyone benefits from having laws because they keep us safe. Everyone has the same consequences. Some examples of the benefits of having laws are: People are not allowed to speed on roads so that people can cross the street safely and not have car accidents. People are not allowed to litter because keeping the environment clean keeps us all safer and healthier.

**Measurement Topic: Roles and Systems of Government**

- I understand and can explain the structure of local governments may differ from one community to another.

**Be able to fill in this chart**

Local Government		
Branch of Government	Job Title	Main Duty
<b>Executive</b>	MAYOR	ENFORCES LAWS
<b>Legislative</b>	CITY COUNCIL	MAKES LAWS
<b>Judicial</b>	JUDGES	INTERPRETS LAWS (Tells what laws mean)