

### Local Government Poster Challenge

Using the *Local Government Works* poster, work as a group to find answers to the questions below. The first group to complete the poster challenge with no mistakes wins a prize!

1. How many state-mandated boards operate at the county level? \_\_\_\_\_
2. Who do the citizens of a county elect? \_\_\_\_\_  
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3. Which is not a duty of mental health boards operating at the local level?
  - a. Schools for the emotionally challenged
  - b. Foster care and adoption
  - c. Psychiatric Services
  - d. Treatment for substance abusers
4. At which level are school board members elected? \_\_\_\_\_
5. Who is hired by the board of commissioners to carry out the board's policies and to direct the general operations of the county? \_\_\_\_\_
6. What are the duties of the Register of Deeds? \_\_\_\_\_
7. Who provides law enforcement over unincorporated areas of a county? \_\_\_\_\_  
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8. Which state-mandated board operating at the county level oversees the federal food stamp program?  
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9. Who presides over a municipality's council meetings? \_\_\_\_\_
10. What are the duties of local boards of elections? \_\_\_\_\_  
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Bonus:

How do the decisions of local government officials affect you as an individual?

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**Local Government Poster Challenge:  
Answer Key**

**Teacher Note:** A printable 8x10 handout of the Local Government Works poster is available in the Database of K-12 Resources.

1. How many state-mandated boards operate at the county level? six
2. Who do the citizens of a county elect? board of county commissioners, sheriff, clerk of court, and register of deeds
3. Which is not a duty of mental health boards operating at the local level?
  - a. Schools for the emotionally challenged
  - b. Foster care and adoption**
  - c. Psychiatric Services
  - d. Treatment for substance abusers
4. At which level are school board members elected? school-district level
5. Who is hired by the board of commissioners to carry out the board's policies and to direct the general operations of the county? county manager
6. What are the duties of the Register of Deeds? maintains all legal records of property transactions, marriages, births, and deaths in a county
7. Who provides law enforcement over unincorporated areas of a county? Sheriff
8. Which state-mandated board operating at the county level oversees the federal food stamp program? social services
9. Who presides over a municipality's council meetings? the mayor
10. What are the duties of local boards of elections? registers voters, conducts elections, and reports election results to the board of elections