Values

What are Values?

- Qualities, Characteristic or ideas about which we feel very strongly.
- Values define what is of worth.
- Our values affect our decisions, goals, and behavior.
- Values help guide your actions & judgments.
- Believe it or not our values even affect the purchases we make.

Who/What influences your Values?

- Home
- Society
- School
- Friends
- TV
- Internet
- You Tube
- My Space

- Church
- Music
- Books
- Families
- Culture
- Employers
- The Years you were raised

Age influences Values

- Ages 1-7
 - Parents & Siblings
- Ages 8-13
 - Teachers
 - Heroes (sports, rock, TV)
- Ages 14-20
 - Friends (choose good ones!)
- Ages 21
 - Your values are established, but you may test your values from time to time.

Characteristics of Values

- Values are personal
- Our actions point to what we really value
- Our values give us our perception of the world
- Inconsistent behavior may indicate an absence of values
- Values change as experiences change

More Characteristics

- Respect others values
- When faced with adversity, our values determine our choices
- Our values give us identity
- Values are subject to change!

Types of Values

Moral Values

- What is right or wrong; codes by which to live
- What is an example?

Aesthetic Values

- What you feel has beauty in nature and life
- Do we all feel the same way about this?

Material Values

- The things we want to spend our money on
- How many of you only buy things on sale?

Intrinsic Values

- Things that have value to us in their own right
- Example: An antique car, a best friend, a grandpa

Extrinsic Values

- You value something because it helps you get something you desire
- Example: You are friends with a someone because you are interested in dating their sibling.

Universal Values

- Values that most people agree
- Equality, world peace, respect.
- Does everyone feel this way?

Group Specific Values

- Each region or groups values are specific to them.
- Can you think of an example?