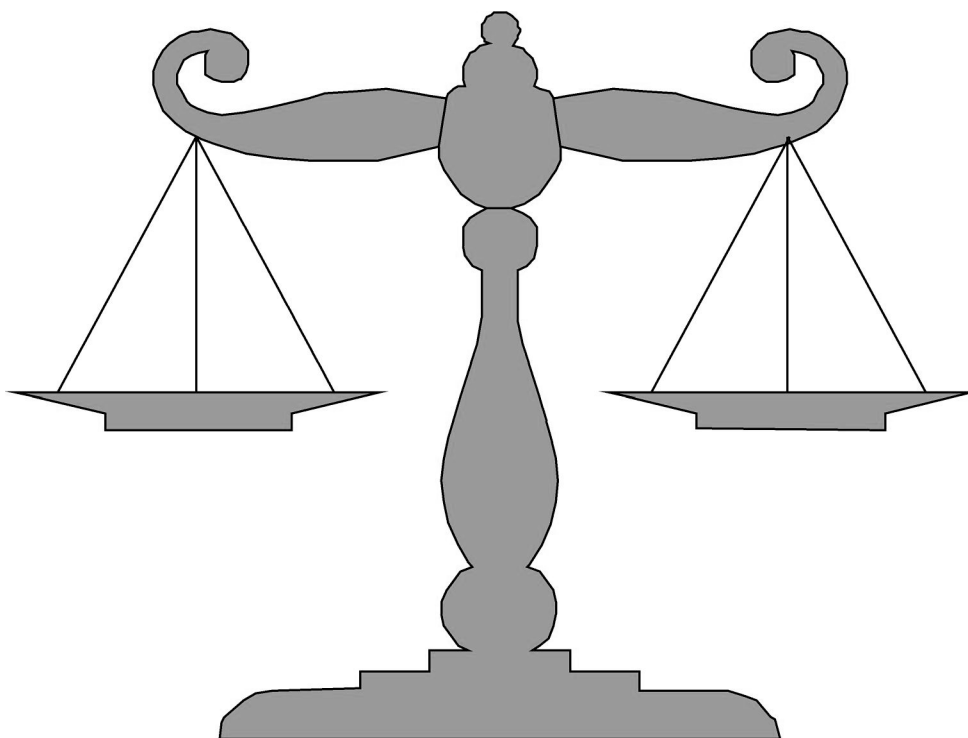


Human Rights Justice



Definition



- Fairness or reasonableness, especially in the way people are treated or decisions are made
- Applying or upholding the law

...and justice for all

- Justice is a value promoted in the U.S. Constitution.
- It is a basic premise or basis of our legal system.
- The American way of life includes a guarantee that people are to be treated fairly in courts, in dealings with the government, and ideally in dealings with other people.



How is Justice Administered?



- The right to trial by a jury of your peers
- The right to a speedy trial
- The right to confront witnesses against you
- The right not to incriminate yourself

How about justice in daily life?

- The government has passed many laws to help protect us from injustices like
 - Slavery
 - Poor and unsafe work conditions
 - Environmental hazards
 - “separate and unequal” access
 - Can you think of others?



Justice at School



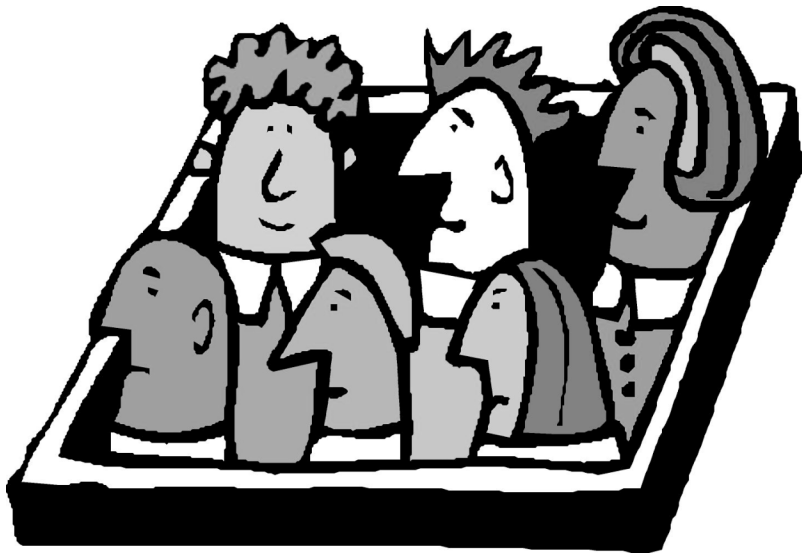
- An education helps people understand their rights; that is a form of justice
- Schools are to be places where ALL people have equal access to a quality education

Justice in Daily Life

- A fair wage
- Equal rights for women
- Disabled access
- Laws against discriminating on the basis of color, religion, sexual orientation, etc.



Injustices you may see around you



- Prejudices against people because of their skin color, weight, sexuality, religion, appearance
- Poverty, homelessness, and starvation
- Brutality by people in power against the helpless or less powerful

3 Things You Can Do

- Look for injustice and take mental note of them. Do not be blind to them!
- Set the example. Make sure you do not promote injustices because of stereotypes, etc.
- Write to your political leaders when you see an injustice so they are aware of it and can try to do something about it.

