Values Clarification Exercise

Exercise 1: Value Voting

Instructions:
Write YES on one sheet of paper and NO on the other. After each question, hold up your vote in front of you … and see how everyone else voted, too! For this exercise, it may be helpful to come up with additional questions that may be meaningful to your community.

Do you think a teacher should be a friend to a student?
… Including talking about the student’s personal life?
… Including talking about the teacher’s personal life?

Do you think that schools should prepare students for “the real world”?
… Including making students compete with each other?

Would you stay at a party where alcohol was being served?
… Where marijuana was being used?
… Where cocaine was being used?

Would you support a fair housing movement in your neighborhood?
… Including a group home for juvenile delinquents?
… Including selling a home to a convicted child sex offender?

Would you encourage your son or daughter to demonstrate for a cause they felt strongly about?
… Including legalization of marijuana?
… Including segregation of schools?

Would you accept your son or daughter living with a girlfriend or boyfriend?
… Even if they were never going to marry?
… Even if they were going to have children and not marry?

Do you agree with the “3 strikes, you’re out!” rule for criminals?
… Including those who have committed nonviolent crimes?
… Including violent juvenile offenders?