Student Journal

Should Michigan’s concealed weapons law be repealed?

Name
Use this journal to take notes on the concealed weapons law. You will use this information to prepare for the upcoming discussion, the Friday Forum.

There has been a great deal of controversy over whether Michigan’s legislature should have passed a law allowing Michigan citizens to carry concealed weapons. In June 2001, the Michigan Supreme Court cleared the way for the law to go into effect on July 1, 2001. Currently, county boards are acting on applications for individuals to carry concealed weapons.

Therefore, the following questions will be the subject of our Friday Forum:

Should Michigan’s concealed weapons law be repealed?

In the space provided in this journal, take notes on the articles you read to prepare your argument for the discussion/debate.

Title of Article ____________________________________________
Source ____________________ Date______________________
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POLITICAL CARTOON

Create an original political cartoon that demonstrates your views on the subject of the forum.
Create questions you will use to interview an adult about the subject of the forum.

Name ______________________________________
How do they feel about the subject?
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Do you agree or disagree with this person? ______________________

Be sure to record their answers.

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Are you for or against the concealed weapons law?
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List below the main argument you intend to use in the discussion:

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b.  ________________________________________________________
c.  ________________________________________________________
d.  ________________________________________________________
e.  ________________________________________________________
f.  ________________________________________________________

List below the main arguments you expect that those who disagree with you will use and how you will respond to those arguments.

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