

# Investigate the News

## LIVE the DREAM

What do you think of when you hear the term “American Dream?” Particularly during an election year, politicians and voters debate what “American Dream” means.

Place a checkmark (  ) by what the Founding Fathers established in the First Amendment as fundamental to the American Dream. Circle other items that you consider part of the American Dream and add to the list.

- speaking out for what you believe
- having a job
- maintaining physical and mental health
- owning your own home
- worshiping where you choose
- being your own boss
- obtaining wealth
- becoming famous
- working hard and succeeding
- being free to move from place to place
- organizing for causes that you believe in

Identify people in the news who are living some aspect of what you believe to be the American Dream.

**SHARE** what you think about the “American Dream.” What does it mean for young people?