Social Studies

Brunswick School Department Grade 1 Classroom Community and Citizenship

Essential Understandings	 The school is a community and the classroom is a community. People have rights and responsibilities within the community. The school and classroom can be represented by a map.
Essential Questions	 What is a citizen? Why do we need rules in our classroom? Why does our community need rules? What is a constitution? How is a constitution like classroom rules? What are student rights at school? What are student responsibilities at school? What is a map? What are some parts of a map?
Essential Knowledge	 A citizen is a member of a community. We need rules in our classroom to help us learn together and be safe. Our community needs rules to help people live safely together. Our country, the United States of America, has a constitution. A constitution is a set of rules that is written down to help people live safely together. The constitution and the classroom rules help us live and learn together safely. Students have the right to learn in a safe classroom community. Students have the responsibility to follow school and classroom rules. A map is a special drawing that can help you find your way.
Vocabulary	 Some parts of a map include: a title, compass rose, etc. Terms: citizen, rights, rules, responsibilities, property, constitution, country, United States, map, compass rose, community Code of Ethics: courage, respect, responsibility, honesty, compassion, fairness
Essential Skills	 Explain the role of a citizen. Identify classroom rules. Explain the purpose of a constitution. Identify some student rights and responsibilities. Tell why we use maps.

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Related Maine Learning Results	 Social Studies Civics and Government: A. Rights, Responsibilities, and Participation 1. Identify and practice classroom rights and responsibilities. C. Fundamental Principles of Government and Constitutions 1. Understand that the United States has a constitution. Social Studies Geography: A. Skills and Tools 1. Use and construct maps and other visuals to describe
	geographic location, direction, size, and shape.
Sample Lessons	 Participate in a process to determine classroom rules that protect the rights and property of every student.
And	 Illustrate examples of students following classroom rules.
Activities	 Establish rules for individual and cooperative learning.
Sample	 Draw a picture of you following the classroom rules. Share your
Classroom	work with your classmates.
Assessment Methods	
Sample Resources	 Publications: Are There Any Questions – Denys Cazet Miss Nelson is Missing - Harry Allard My Country 'tis of Thee - Samuel Francis Smith My Teacher Sleeps in School – Leattie Weiss Never Spit on your Shoes- Denys Cazet Too Much Noise - Ann McGovern Wee Sing America - Pamela Conn Beall Videos: Citizenship in the Community What is a Community?
Technology	http://www.brunswick.k12.me.us/curriculum
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