Course: Language Arts/Social Sciences/SEL	Grade Level: 1st Grade
Unit Title: What is a Community?	Length of Unit: Approximately 5 weeks

Unit Summary: In this unit, students will address the concepts of government and geography through the lens of community. Students will examine what a community is, how people within communities live and work together, how communities change over time, and the role of individuals (citizens) within a community. Students will read a variety of texts that feature different types of communities. Students will draw on a variety of reading strategies to aid them in comprehension (e.g., using illustrations, asking and answering questions about key details in a text, etc.). Through retellings of text, students will demonstrate an understanding of a text's central idea or theme as well as their deepening understanding of community and the different ways in which all people play an important role in the communities to which they belong. Students will explore the elements of a narrative writing (e.g., details, temporal words, recounting two or more sequenced events). Students will engage in ongoing discussions with their peers on topics related to community.

Throughout this unit, students will be asked to <u>monitor their progress and self-assess</u> their ability to (1) identify strategies for calming themselves when they are experiencing strong feelings, (2) exploring different strategies for managing their feelings and behavior, and (3) identifying both positive and negative choices in the classroom.

Stage 1- Desired Results		
STANDARDS	Transfer	
Priority: Social Sciences:	Students will be able to independently use their learning to	
SS.CV.1.1: Explain how all people, not just official leaders play an important role in a community.	TG1: Demonstrate an understanding of the importance of individuals' roles within a community as well as the rules and responsibilities necessary to ensure everyone within a community lives and works together safely and effectively.	
Language Arts: RL/RI.1.1: Ask and answer questions about key details in a	TG2: Use questioning skills to comprehend and retell texts.	
text. RL.1.2: Retell stories, including key	TG3: Communicate (writing, drawing, speaking) a well-sequenced and detailed narrative about two or more events.	
details, and demonstrate understanding of their central	Meaning	

message or lesson.	ENDURING UNDERSTANDINGS	ESSENTIAL QUESTIONS
RI.1.2: Identify the main topic and	Students will understand that	Students will continue to consider
retell key details of a text.	EU1: A community is made of individuals	EQ1: What is a community?
W.1.3: Write narratives in which	who live in the same place or who share a	
they recount two or more appropriately sequenced events,	common purpose; each individual within a	
include some details regarding	community has a role and responsibility.	
what happened, use temporal words to signal event order, and	EU2: People create rules to keep each other	EQ2: Why do we need rules?
provide some sense of closure.	safe, to keep things orderly or organized, and	
SEL	to make sure everyone is treated fairly.	
Goal 1: Develop self-awareness	EU3: Authors include key details in their	EQ3: How can questioning help me as a
and self-management skills to achieve school and life success.	writing which can help a reader ask and	reader? How can answering questions help
achieve school and hie success.	answer questions; good readers know a	me when I am reading? How do readers
Goal 2: Use social-awareness and interpersonal skills to establish	question is different from a statement and	make meaning of text?
and maintain positive	requires an answer.	
relationships.	EU4: Effective writers use personal	EQ4: How do people strengthen their writing?
Goal 3: Demonstrate	experiences to create meaningful texts;	How do I organize my narrative writing so it's
decision-making skills and responsible behaviors in personal,	writing is a process.	easy for the reader to follow?
school, and community contexts.	EU5: When we are aware of our feelings, we	EQ5: Why should I pay attention to my
	are able to identify the appropriate strategies	feelings? How can this help me in my
Supporting:	necessary for making positive choices.	relationships with others?
Social Sciences: SS.IS.6.K-2: Use listening,	Acquisition	
consensus, and voting procedures to	Students will know	Year-Long English/Spanish
decide on and take action in the classroom.		<u>"I Can" Statements</u>
	K1: <u>Academic Vocabulary</u>	Students will be skilled at
SS.G.1.1: Construct and interpret maps and other representations to	Social Sciences	Social Sciences
navigate a familiar place.	K2: The different roles and responsibilities	S1: I can explain different members' roles
		·

Language Arts:	within a community (e.g., school, family,	and responsibilities within a community.
RL.1.7: Use illustrations and details in a story to describe its characters,	local, state, etc.)	
setting, or events.	Language Arts/Digital Literacy	S2: I can identify a rule and its purpose.
RI.1.7: Use illustrations and details in	K3: Reading strategies (effective	S3: I can construct and interpret maps and
a text to describe its key ideas.	questioning)	other representations to navigate a familiar place.
	K4: The elements of narrative writing.	
		Language Arts/Digital Literacy
	K5: The writing process.	S4: I can ask and answer questions about key details in a text. (RL/RI.1)
	K6: How to be a responsible digital citizen.	key details in a text. (RE/RI.T)
		S5: I can retell stories and show my
	SEL	understanding of the central message.
	K7: Strategies for managing feelings and behavior.	(RL.2)
		S6: I can find the main topic of what I read.
		I can retell important details of a text. (RI.2)
		S7: I can use writing and drawings to convey
		 a story (narrative). (W.3) I can recount two or more
		appropriately sequenced events.
		I can include details to show what
		happened.I can use temporal words to signal
		event order.
		 I can provide some sense of closure to my story.
		S8: I can use the pictures and details in a
		story to talk about the characters, settings, or events. (RL.7)

S9: I can use the images and details in a text to talk about the key ideas. (RI.7)
S10: I can select books to read for a variety of purposes.
S11: I can actively listen for understanding.
 S12: I can participate in collaborative conversations to promote self-inquiry. I can follow agreed-upon rules for discussions. I can build on others' ideas when responding. I can ask questions when I need to better understand something.
S13: I can work with my classmates to make decisions and take action in my classroom community.
S14: I can speak and write in complete sentences when appropriate to a task or situation.
S15: I can use an appropriate search engine tool for a specific purpose. (Info/Dig Lit Goal 1)
S16: I can practice identifying personal and public information and when it is appropriate to share information with guidance. (Info/Dig Lit Goal 1)

S17: I can use the library catalog, with assistance, to find materials. (Info/Dig Lit Goal 2)
SEL S18: With prompting and support, I can recognize strong feelings and identify ways to calm myself.
S19: With prompting and support, I can explore different strategies to manage my feelings and behavior.