

Content Area: Social Studies	Social Studies	Grade Level: Preschool
	R14 Big Six Learning Drivers Character Citizenship Creati	Collaboration Communication Critical Thinking vity Curiousity
Unit Titles	Length of Unit/Co	ontact Hours
• Foundations for Learning in Community	• 6-8 weeks	
Supporting Emergent Citizens	Ongoing	



Strands	Grade Level Expectations (Progress Reporting)
Self, Family, and Community	 Families come in many different ways Families are part of a community Families are the same and different I am part of a community
People and the Environment	 People take care of an environment There are basic rules in home, community and classroom.
Economic Systems and Resources	 Know a variety of jobs that can be found in a community Know that things can be bought and sold (in play) Understand that people can use tools for a job
Change Over Time	 Understand the beginning of how time is measured Understand how things grow and change over time (including themselves)

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Inquiry Questions (Engaging & Debatable)	 How do we engage preschoolers in rich discussions about rules in large groups, small groups, and individually? How do we provide experiences for preschoolers to compare, connect, and respond to in our daily routines and in our community?
Standards*	PK Standards: Social Studies:Power, Authority and GovernanceSS.48.4 Demonstrate understanding of the reasons for rules and laws in the home, cultural community and/or classroomCultureSS.48.3 Identify cultural characteristics of self, family and community (e.g., home language, foods, modes of transportation, shelter, etc.)People Places and EnvironmentSS.48.7 Participate in jobs and responsibilities at home, classroom and community
Strands & Concepts	 School is a place where people work, talk, and play together. You can learn many new things about your world at school. You can talk to show your thinking. A rich environment stimulates children's thinking
Key Vocabulary	classroom, community, centers, calendar, rules, greetings, names, number(s), objects, combined, how many, calendar, space, grow, time, home, family

Standards based on CT Early Learning and Development Standards More information can be found at: <u>http://www.ct.gov/oec/lib/oec/earlycare/elds/sections/standards.pdf</u>

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Critical Content:	Key Skills:
My students will Know	My students will be able to (Do)
 self as part of a family self as part of a community jobs at home and school some basic rules for home, school and community 	 with support, help organize the environment talk and reason with partners with support, share an environment with others with support, engage in jobs in the classroom community describe parts of the classroom environment ask questions about my environment and my community

Assessments:	 PAF (Preschool Assessment Framework) Performance Standards: COG 9 Understands and interacts within the classroom with adults and peers P&S 3 Participates in teacher-led activities P&S 7 Interacts cooperatively with peers P&S 4 Manages transitions, follows routines, and rules
Teacher Resources:	 CT Preschool Curriculum Frameworks CT Preschool Assessment Frameworks

Unit Title	Supporting Emergent Citizens	Length of Unit	Ongoing
Inquiry Questions (Engaging- Debatable):	 How do activities (e.g. playing, learning rules, sharing) help develop a community? How do we provide preschoolers with ample time to engage in learning about their communities (home, school and local community)? How do we provide preschoolers ample time to engage and inquire in conversations with peers and adults? 		
Standards	 <u>PK Standards: Social Studies:</u> Culture SS 48.1 Identify physical characteristics of self. SS.48.3 Identify cultural characteristics of self, family and community (Lang shelter, etc.) People, Places Environment SS. 48.5 Demonstrate awareness that people share the environment with ot responsibility to care for them SS48.6 Describe, draw or construct aspects of the geography of the classroo Economic Systems and Resources SS.48.8 Demonstrate an awareness of a variety of jobs in the community SS. 48.9 Demonstrate beginning understanding of commerce through exploit Time, Continuity and Change SS.48.11 Demonstrate a basic understanding of sequence of events and time yesterday, today and tomorrow). 	her people, animals and m or home ring the roles of buying a	plants and have a and selling in play
Strands & Concepts	Self and Family, People and Our Environment, Jobs and Neighbors, Ou	r Communities	
Key Vocabulary	jobs, environment, buy, sell, community, map, buy, sell, home, school,	town neighborhood,	

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Critical Content: My students will Know		Key Skills: My students will be able to (D0)		
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• the concept of mot and last	• With support, describe fulfinar events
• family members over generations	• with support, create or build maps of their community (class, school, home, town)
• ways to participate in a community	 with support, begin to understand generations of families
 with support, some maps 	• with support, begin to understand commerce through exploring roles of buying and
(classroom, school, town)	selling
• people in the community	 with support, understand the variety of jobs in the community
	 with support, begin to understand change over time

Assessments:	 PAF Performance Standard: P&S 5 Uses words to express emotions or feelings COG 9 Understands and participates in conversations CRE 1 Builds and constructs to represent own ideas CRE 3. Represents experiences and fantasies in pretend play P&S 4 Manages transitions, follows routines, and rules
Teacher Resources:	 Region 14 Preschool Implementation Guide CT Preschool Curriculum Frameworks CT Preschool Assessment Frameworks Bethlehem/Woodbury Historical Societies